

International Symposium on COVID-19 Countermeasures in Islands Regions

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This symposium focuses on the difficulties and limitations during the pandemic in different islands regions to serve as a reference for countermeasures against future pandemics.



Date & Time: January 28th, 9:30 AM – 11:50 AM (JST)

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Language: English

- 9:30** **Opening Greeting**
- 9:35** **“Sri Lanka’s strategy on COVID19 pandemic: ‘test, track, isolate’ and treat & vaccination”**
Prof. Chandika Gamage, Head Department of Microbiology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka
- 10:05** **“COVID-19 in the Caribbean: the Dominican Republic Experience”**
Dr. Eddy Perez-Then, Dominican Republic Health Cabinet, COVID-19 Health Advisor for the Ministry of Health, Dominican Republic
- 10:35** **“Variants in Paradise: Steps and Missteps in Responding to SARS-CoV-2 in Hawaii”**
Dr. Tim Brown, Senior Fellow, East-West Center, Hawaii
- 11:05** **“A recommendation from the small southern island in Japan: Why has Okinawa been able to avoid medical collapse and social unrest during COVID-19 pandemic despite limited resources?”**
Prof. Jun Kobayashi, Dean, Graduate School of Health Sciences, University of the Ryukyus, Okinawa
- 11:35** **Panel Discussion**
- 11:50** **Closing** Kazuhiro Kogure, Vice President, University of the Ryukyus



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