

# GLOBALIZATION AND CONFLICT:

## Entanglement between Local and Cosmopolitan Orientations

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University of Groningen, The Netherlands

The forum aims to open up new spaces for international academic dialogue on globalization and conflict. In today's world we experience an enormous number of social, cultural and linguistic-ethnic conflicts. Particularly since the breakdown of the Cold War power balance, these conflicts have occurred and continue to occur at various levels from the micro to the macro, namely as part of people's everyday lives, as well as part of regional, national and international confrontations. Conflicts are now ubiquitous, from the effects of which none of us is free.

The present forum is an attempt to tackle this contemporary universal predicament by focusing on entangled relationships between cosmopolitan orientations that are becoming apparent in parallel with the process of rapid globalization, and local, parochial orientations that are emerging at the grassroots as reactions against globalization from above.



#### Panels:

- 'Humanitarianism and Its Discontent: Global Discourse and Local Realities'
- 'Globalization, Nation-State and Human-Security'
- 'Humanities, Art and Global Politics'
- 'Local Conflict and Global Connections'
- 'Gender Matters: The Politics of Nationalized War Memory'

#### Main Speakers:

- Professor Junji Koizumi (Trustee and Vice-President, Osaka University, *Anthropology*)
- Dr Joost Herman (University of Groningen, *International Humanitarian Law*)
- Professor Eisei Kurimoto (Osaka University, *Anthropology*)
- Professor Dr Jaap de Wilde (University of Groningen, *International Relations*)
- Professor Dr Rien Segers (University of Groningen, *Japan Studies*)
- Professor Kazuo Muta (Osaka University, *Sociology*)
- Professor Wolfgang Schwentker (Osaka University, *Intellectual History*)
- Professor Mohamed Salih (International Institute of Social Studies, *Anthropology*)

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##### Osaka University

- Global COE Program, "Conflict Studies in the Humanities"
- Global Collaboration Center (GLOCOL)
- Groningen Centre for Education and Research
- Department of International Affairs

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- Humanitarian Action NOHA
- Globalisation Studies Groningen
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