

# Call for Papers

## The 25th International Conference of the Japan Economic Policy Association

### The Main Theme: Environment and Sustainability

Date: October 24 (Sat.) – 25 (Sun.), 2026.

Place: Shinagawa Campus, Tokai University, Takanawa 1-2-1, Minato-ku, Tokyo JAPAN

Host University: Tokai University

Co-Host: Tokai University Research Institute for Environment and Sustainability (TRIES)

The Japan Economic Policy Association (JEP A) invites you to the 25th JEP A International Conference. The conference will feature regular sessions, theme-related plenary sessions, and more. This year, the conference will be held in a face-to-face format only. The event is relevant for academics, scholars, policymakers, and officials from governments and international institutions working in the fields of economics and related sciences. Presenters at the conference are encouraged to consider submitting their papers to the *International Journal of Economic Policy Studies (IJEPS)*, the official refereed journal of JEP A published by Springer. We invite you to submit papers for presentation at the conference. Please follow the instructions below.

#### 1. Important Dates

- Application for presentation and Full paper Submission deadline: **August 10, 2026**

#### 2. Application and Participation Guidelines

JEP A does not accept papers that have already been published, accepted, or submitted for publication elsewhere. Accepted presenters, discussants, chairs, guest speakers, and JEP A members are eligible to participate in the conference. Graduate students are also welcome to submit their papers. Participants are required to pay the registration fee by credit card. Information regarding the registration fee is available on the conference website.

#### 3. Categories of Interest

The categories of interest for the conference are listed below. When applying for a presentation, please select the first and second categories that best fit your paper.

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|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 1. Theory of Economic Policy                   | 7. Welfare & Social Security Policy        |
| 2. Public Finance & Monetary Policy            | 8. Regional, Urban & Transportation Policy |
| 3. Growth, Development & Population Policy     | 9. Resource & Environmental Policy         |
| 4. Industrial Organization & Structural Policy | 10. International Economic Policy          |
| 5. Labor Economics & Policy                    | 11. Other Applications in Economics        |
| 6. Public Choice & Applied Economics           |                                            |

Category number is changed (2026~)

#### 4. Application for Presentation

- To apply for a presentation, you must both (i) access the conference website and fill in the application form (paper title, abstract, keywords, contact details, category of interest) and (ii) submit both a cover page file and a full paper file in PDF format.
- Abstracts should not exceed 500 characters (not 500 words).
- Please enter three keywords for your application.
- The cover page template (docx format) can be downloaded from the JEP A website.
- Full papers can be in any format. However, submitted full papers will be assessed and screened by the program committee based on the assessment criteria described in the Assessment Guideline below, and only papers that have passed the assessment will be permitted to be presented.
- Each individual may submit only one paper and appear in the program as an author or a co-author within three times.
- **Mandatory Role as a Discussant:** Each presenter is required to serve as a discussant for another paper in the same session. Submission of a paper constitutes your agreement to fulfill this dual role.
- Presentation dates and times will be assigned by the Program Committee. We cannot accommodate requests for specific dates or times
- The deadline for applications is **August 10, 2026**.

#### 5. Assessment Guideline

- Submitted papers are assessed and screened by the program committee from the following criteria
  - [1] Is there any originality or novelty in this paper?
  - [2] Does it apply economics or related sciences to policy research?
  - [3] Does it have a clear academic background as well as policy background?
  - [4] Are the research objectives or research questions clear?
  - [5] Do the research results achieve the research objectives?  
Or do the research results provide answers to the research questions?
  - [6] Does it have academic and policy significance?
  - [7] Is it an unpublished paper?
  - [8] Is it worth reporting in JEP A?
- Only papers that meet the above criteria can be presented in JEP A 2026.
- The Program Committee will notify the result to the applicants after assessing her/his submitted paper and deciding if it is worth for presentation or not.

#### 6. Conference Website and Conference Secretariat

- JEP A 2026 Conference website: <https://jepa.jpn.org/en/jepa2026/>
- JEP A 2026 Conference Secretariat email: desk[at]jepa.jpn.org (replace [at] with @)