

# TUFS Special Seminar Contemporary Spiritual Cults: Revival or Continuity? -An Interdisciplinary Workshop-

This interdisciplinary workshop was set up with two main objectives: a) to display some of the interesting research conducted at TUFS and b) to bring both faculty and students together in a relaxed atmosphere. Please join us on:

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**104**  
Research and  
Lecture Bldg.

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TUFS special seminar

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◆Date & Time: Thursday, January 23, 2020 3:00 - 5:30 pm

◆Venue: Room 104, Research and Lecture Building

◆Programme:

Chair: **Dr. Iris Haukamp** (Lecturer, Institute of Japan Studies) and **Prof. Shinichi Takeuchi** (Director and Professor, African Studies Center)

3:00 - 3:20 pm

**Prof. Ratana Tosakul** (Retired Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Sociology & Anthropology, Thammasat University; TUFS Open Academy)

*"The Spirit Cults of Baby Ghosts in Globalized Thailand"*

3:20 - 3:40 pm

**Dr. Yasuo Matsunami** (Specially Appointed Researcher, African Studies Center)

*"Healing Ritual or Cause of Suffering: Spirit Possession in Rural Ethiopia"*

3:40 - 4:00 pm

**Dr. Fabio Gygi** (Lecturer, SOAS; Visiting Professor, Institute of Japan Studies)

*"Re-enchanting the Doll: Ningyō Kuyō and the Return of Animism"*

4:00 - 4:20 pm

**Prof. Tsutomu Tomotsune** (Professor, Institute of Japan Studies)

*"Decoding Asahara Shoko's Prison Notes: Aum Shinrikyo and Its Disciples"*

4:20 - 4:35 pm

Comment: **Dr. Kosit Tiptiempong** (Lecturer, Institute of Global Studies)

4:35 - 4:50 pm

Comment: **Dr. Takanori Oishi** (Lecturer, African Studies Center)

4:50 - 5:30 pm **General discussion**

◆Language: English

◆Admission: Free

◆No pre-registration is needed.

◆Jointly organized by CAAS Unit, Institute of Japan Studies (大学院国際日本学研究院 CAAS ユニット), African Studies Center (現代アフリカ地域研究センター), and Institute of Transcultural Studies (総合文化研究所)