

SEEPS 2025: General Information and Call for Submissions

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1. Dates: September 20 and 21, 2025 (Sat. and Sun.)

Note: On Friday, **September 19, 2025**, a 30th Anniversary Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration (tentative title) will be held (at the University of Tokyo, Hongo Campus).

2. Venue: Musashi University, Ekoda Campus

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For transportation access and a campus map, please see the Musashi University website:

<https://www.musashi.ac.jp/english/access/index.html> (English version)

<https://www.musashi.ac.jp/access/access.html> (Japanese version)

Please use public transportation as much as possible.

3. Conference Website:

<http://www.seeps.org/eng/conference2025.html> (English version)

<http://www.seeps.org/meeting/2025/> (Japanese version)

4. Conference Schedule

19th September (Fri.), 2025 –30th Anniversary Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration Symposium (tentative title) at the University of Tokyo (Hongo Campus).

20th September (Sat.), 2025 –Day 1 of Annual Conference

08:45~	Registration
09:15~10:45	Parallel Session (1)
11:00~12:30	Parallel Session (2)
12:30~13:45	Lunch / Board of Directors Meeting
13:45~14:30	General Meeting (Annual Assembly)
14:45~16:15	Parallel Session (3)
16:30~17:45	Keynote Lecture (Invited Speaker)
18:00~20:00	30 th Anniversary Reception (Banquet)

21st September (Sun.), 2025 –Day 2 of Annual Conference

09:00~	Registration
09:30~11:30	30 th Anniversary Symposium
11:30~13:00	Lunch / Board of Directors Meeting
13:00~13:30	Awards Ceremony
13:45~15:15	Parallel Session (4)
15:30~17:00	Parallel Session (5)

Note: The Society for Environmental Economics and Policy Studies is promoting a paperless policy. Please download the conference program and all relevant information from the Society’s website and bring them with you to the conference.

5. Application and Submission of Abstracts for General, Speed Talk, and Organized Sessions

Please submit proposals for all session types via the conference website. The deadline for application and abstract submission is Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 12:00 noon (Japan time, strict deadline). Please note the following:

- (a) The application system is expected to open in mid– to late May 2025. Once registration is available, the Society will notify members by email and announce it on the conference website.
- (b) Each person may present no more than one paper in total across the General, Speed Talk, and Organized Sessions. However, in the case of co-authored papers, if each person only presents once, it is possible to submit multiple papers (with different presenters for each paper).
- (c) Please refer to the conference website for the required abstract format. (The conference website also provides the abstract book from last year’s conference for reference.) Abstracts must be written in Japanese or English.
- (d) In principle, all submitted presentations will be allocated to appropriate parallel sessions by the organizers. For the parallel session schedule, please refer to section 4 “Overall Schedule on Conference Days.”
- (e) Student presenters: when applying, please include the name and contact email of your primary academic advisor.
- (f) If you decide to withdraw your presentation after submitting, please notify the Annual Conference Help Desk as soon as possible (E-mail: seeps-desk@conf.bunken.co.jp).
- (g) Withdrawal and Penalty Policy: According to the Society’s board decision, the following penalties will apply to withdrawals after your proposal has been accepted:
 - Withdrawals made from 1.5 months before the conference (after 12:00 noon on August 6, 2025) up to the day of the conference will be subject to a penalty.
 - Anyone who withdraws by the day before the conference for two consecutive years will be barred from presenting in the conference the following year.
 - If a presenter withdraws on the day of the conference, that presenter will be barred from presenting in the conference the following year.

6. Important Notes for Each Session Type Application

6-1. Submission to General Sessions

- (a) The presenter must be a member of the Society at the time of the conference. If you are currently not a member, please complete the membership application before submitting your proposal. (If you wish to join the Society, please refer to the membership information on the Society’s website.)
- (b) When submitting your proposal, please select a first-choice and second-choice topic from the list of common topics below:

1. Environmental Economics and Policy - Theory	13. Business and the Environment
2. Climate Change and Carbon Neutrality	14. Environment and Economic Growth
3. Energy Resources	15. Environment and Technology

4. Natural Resource Management / Agriculture	16. Trade and Environment
5. Natural Disasters	17. Sustainable Development
6. Radioactive Waste / Fukushima Reconstruction	18. Urban Areas / Transportation
7. Waste Management / Recycling Policy	19. Asia / Developing Countries
8. International Resource Circulation	20. Biodiversity / Ecosystem Services
9. Environmental Assessment / Environmental Risk	21. Water Policy / Watershed Policy
10. Environmental Labelling / Life Cycle Assessment	22. Air Policy / Air Pollution
11. Equity / Justice	23. Others
12. Environmental Governance	

- (c) When applying, please select one primary methodology/approach used in your research from the list below:

A. Microeconomics Theory	F. Economic Experiments	K. Other Social Sciences
B. Macroeconomics Theory	G. Law	L. Engineering
C. Empirical Microeconomics	H. Political Science	M. Natural Sciences
D. Empirical Macroeconomics	I. Sociology	N. Interdisciplinary
E. Stated/Revealed Preference	J. Business Administration	O. Other

- (d) Please indicate during application whether you prefer to present in an English session. Note that depending on the number of submissions, separate English-language sessions may not be organized.
- (e) You may optionally specify a preferred discussant when you submit your proposal. However, please understand that we may not be able to accommodate your request; it is acceptable to leave the discussant preference blank.

6-2. Submission to Speed Talk Sessions

- (a) Speed Talk sessions are short oral research presentations without a designated discussant (a 10-minute presentation followed by 5 minutes of Q&A).
- (b) No full paper is required for Speed Talk session presentations.
- (c) Speed Talk sessions will be scheduled as parallel sessions alongside the General Sessions.
- (d) Please indicate if you prefer an English-language session when applying. Note that depending on the number of submissions, a separate English Speed Talk session may not be arranged.
- (e) **Best Speed Talk Award:** Among the student presenters in the Speed Talk sessions, a Best Speed Talk Award will be given. The award will be presented during the Day 2 Awards Ceremony.
- (f) **Award Criteria:** The Best Speed Talk Award will be judged based on five criteria: (1) clarity of the oral presentation, (2) clarity of the slides, (3) quality of the research, (4) appropriate time management, and (5) responses to questions. (*Note: Students who have previously received this award are not eligible.*)

- (g) The Speed Talk session presenter must be a member of the Society. If you are not yet a member, please complete membership registration before applying (see the Society website for membership procedures).

6-3. Submission for Either General or Speed Talk Session

If you indicated that either a General Session or a Speed Talk session is acceptable for your presentation, please follow the same application procedures as described in 6-1. Submission to General Sessions above.

6-4. Submission to Organized Sessions

- (a) We invite proposals for Organized Sessions of three types: research presentation sessions, tutorials, and panel discussions. (*A “tutorial” is intended to teach specific research methods to early-career researchers. A “panel discussion” focuses on discussion around a specific theme based on research findings.*) Except for tutorials, each accepted organized session will be allocated one session slot (1.5 hours).
- (b) Each organizer may submit only one organized session proposal. The organizer must be a member of the Society. If an organizer is not currently a member, please complete membership registration before applying (see the Society website for details). *Note: Presenters and discussants in an organized session may be non-members.*
- (c) When submitting a proposal, the organizer should provide the following information: the session type, session title (both a short title within 15 Japanese characters and a longer descriptive title), the organizer’s name, the session chair’s name, the presenters and discussants, and an overview of the session (up to 200 Japanese characters). Please note that any communication from the Program Committee will be sent only to the organizer, who will be responsible for informing the session chair, presenters, and discussants of relevant details.
- (d) For organized sessions (except tutorials), each presenter is required to register an individual presentation abstract (up to 2 pages) separately. The deadline for submitting these abstracts is Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 12:00 noon (strict deadline, same as section 5).
- (e) The organizer should ensure that each discussant in the organized session also completes conference pre-registration.
- (f) Please note that one person cannot submit proposals for an Organized Session and a General/Speed Talk session concurrently. If you plan to participate in both types of sessions, please submit them separately (and be mindful of the rule that one person can present only once in total).
- (g) For scheduling purposes, organized sessions will, in principle, be held during Parallel Session (3) on Saturday, September 20 or Parallel Session (4) on Sunday, September 21 (as allocated by the program organizers).
- (h) If an organized session proposal is accepted, the organizer is requested to pay an Organized Session fee of ¥50,000 by noon on Thursday, August 7, 2025. Payment instructions (bank account information, etc.) will be provided upon acceptance of the session. (For the handling of consumption tax on the organized session fee, please refer to section 14.)
- (i) Hybrid Option: Starting from this conference, organized sessions are allowed to include presentations and discussion in a hybrid format (online + in-person). If you wish to organize your session in a hybrid format, please select the “Hybrid format requested” option when submitting your proposal. Important: If many sessions opt for a hybrid format, there may be issues with network bandwidth or connectivity at the venue. The availability of on-campus internet for hybrid sessions is still under consideration; likely, if you choose a hybrid format, we will ask that you do not rely

on the host university's Wi-Fi (including eduroam) for your session. Organizers and participants planning a hybrid session should be prepared to arrange their own internet connection (e.g., via a personal mobile hotspot).

- (j) *Note:* Tutorials are exempt from the organized session fee (the ¥50,000 fee is waived for tutorial sessions).

7. Acceptance of Submitted Sessions and Follow-Up

- (a) The acceptance or rejection of submitted proposals for General Sessions, Speed Talk Sessions, and Organized Sessions will be decided by the Program Committee. Notifications of acceptance (or non-acceptance) will be sent out by mid- to late July 2025. (*For criteria on acceptance of submissions, see the note below.*)
- (b) In principle, presenters who are not graduate students will be asked to serve as a session chair or discussant during the conference. Additionally, graduate student presenters (and their academic supervisors) may also be asked to serve as chair or discussant.

Criteria for Acceptance of Submissions: Please be aware that the Program Committee may decline a proposed presentation if the submitted abstract falls under any of the following conditions.

(*Note: Even though only an abstract is required at the time of submission, the abstract must clearly state the analysis results and conclusions of the research.*)

- The abstract describes only a research plan and does not report any results.
- The analysis results, conclusions, or methodology are not described concretely, making it clear that the work is incomplete.
- The content is too far removed from the themes typically covered by the Society for Environmental Economics and Policy Studies.
- The abstract only presents well-known facts or personal opinions and lacks substantive analysis.
- The content is judged to be for private interest or promotional in nature (e.g., advertising a specific individual, group, organization, political party, or religion).
- The submission was not completed by the deadline.

Note: For Speed Talk and Organized Session proposals, the standards for definitive conclusions are somewhat relaxed compared to General Sessions—early-stage research presentations will be considered acceptable.

8. Submission of Papers for General Sessions

If your proposal for a General Session is accepted, you are required to submit a full paper. The deadline for full paper submission is Thursday, August 7, 2025, at 12:00 noon (strict). Please submit your paper via the conference website. The Program Committee will forward each submitted paper to the assigned discussant in advance. There is no fixed format required for the paper (you may format it as you see fit), but PDF format is preferred for submissions. Papers must be written in Japanese or English.

If, at the time of abstract submission, you were a non-member or your membership application was pending, please use the “Non-member/Pending Member” login page on the conference submission website to submit your full paper. (Log in with the same ID that you received when you registered your abstract.)

While the paper format is open, you may refer to the following submission guidelines for reference:

- Submission guidelines for the Society's Japanese journal 「環境経済・政策研究」 (*Environmental Economics and Policy Studies*, Japanese edition): <http://www.seeps.org/html/journal/index.html>
- Submission guidelines for the Society's English journal *Environmental Economics and Policy Studies*: <https://www.springer.com/journal/10018/submission-guidelines>

Note: Speed Talk session presenters are not required to submit a full paper. For Organized Sessions, whether presenters need to submit papers (and any deadline for such submissions) is at the discretion of the organizer.

9. Notification of Presentation Schedule

- (a) For General Sessions, Speed Talk Sessions, and Organized Sessions, the detailed program (including the schedule of presentations) will be finalized by around mid-August 2025 and announced on the conference website. This announcement will serve as the official notification of each presenter's presentation date and time.
- (b) For submissions where the presenter indicated "either General or Speed Talk session is acceptable," the final presentation format (General Session or Speed Talk) will be determined when the detailed program is published (around mid-August 2025, on the conference website).

10. Conference Participation Fee

To attend the conference, a participation fee is required (the fee is the same regardless of attending one or both days). The amount of the conference fee varies by membership status. Pre-registration at a discounted rate is available until Friday, August 29, 2025. *(For registration procedures, see section 13 "Pre-registration and Payment Method." For details on consumption tax treatment of fees, see section 14.)*

	Pre-Registration	On-site Registration
General (Members)	¥4,000	¥5,000
Students (Members)	¥1,000	¥2,000
General (Non-member)	¥5,000	¥6,000
Students (Non-member)	¥2,000	¥3,000

- ※ Supporting Members (corporate members): One representative may register at the General (Member) rate (available with pre-registration only).
- ※ Senior Members: The fee for senior members is categorized under "Student (Member)."
- ※ Non-member Discussants (General Sessions): A non-member serving only as a discussant in a General Session is exempt from the conference participation fee.
- ※ Non-member Presenters/Discussants (Organized Sessions): Non-member presenters or discussants in Organized Sessions are required to pay the conference participation fee.
- ※ Overseas Participants: If you select an overseas mailing address in the pre-registration system (for domestic participants currently abroad or international participants), you may pay the pre-registration fee on-site at the conference registration desk. In this case, please print out the registration confirmation email you receive and bring it with you to the conference.
- ※ If the conference cannot be held as scheduled due to a natural disaster or other unforeseen circumstances, the full participation fee will be refunded to your designated bank account.
- ※ If you need to cancel your conference attendance (for personal reasons), please notify the Annual Conference Help Desk (see section 19 for contact information) by September 8, 2025 (Monday). In principle, we will refund the amount you paid minus ¥1,000 (to cover bank transfer fees and administrative costs). *(If cancellation is due to unavoidable circumstances such as a disaster, we may consider a refund even after this date, on a case-by-case basis after the conference.)*

11. Commemorative Reception (Banquet) Fee

The 30th Anniversary Reception (banquet) will be held on the evening of September 20. The banquet participation fee differs for general participants and students. A discounted rate is available with pre-registration until Friday, August 29, 2025. *(For how to register and pay, see section 13. For consumption tax details related to fees, see section 14.)*

Reception (Banquet) Fee Schedule:

	Pre-Registration	On-site Registration
General (Member / Non-Member)	¥5,000	¥7,000
Students (Members / Non-Member)	¥1,500	¥2,000

- ※ Supporting Members: One representative of a supporting (corporate) member may register for the reception under the General (Member) category.
- ※ Senior Members: The fee for senior members for the banquet is categorized under the student rate.
- ※ Cancellation Policy: Cancellation of your banquet participation will be handled in the same manner as the conference participation fee. Even if you cancel both your conference attendance and banquet attendance, the total deduction from your refund will be ¥1,000 (not ¥1,000 for each).
- ※ Overseas Participants: If you selected an overseas mailing address in the pre-registration system, you may pay the banquet fee on-site at the conference registration desk (similarly to the conference fee). Please bring a printout of your registration confirmation email.
- ※ If the conference is not held due to a natural disaster or other serious event, the full banquet fee will be refunded to your designated account.

12. Lunch During the Conference

On Saturday, September 20, the on-campus cafeteria operated by the student co-op (Building 11, 1st floor) will be open until 13:00. However, it will offer mainly light meals and stocks will be limited. We recommend utilizing nearby off-campus restaurants or convenience stores for lunch. On Sunday, September 21, the campus co-op cafeteria will be closed. There are many restaurants and convenience stores between the university's main gate and Ekoda Station; please make use of these options during the conference. If you prefer to have lunch on campus, please use the dining hall on the 1st floor of Building 2.

13. Pre-registration and Payment Method

The Annual Conference Help Desk (operated by International Academic Publishing Co., which manages the Society's secretariat services) will set up an online system for conference and banquet pre-registration and for advance payment of fees. This system is expected to be operational by late May to early June 2025. Once the system is live, please use it to complete your pre-registration and to pay the relevant fees.

For the conference participation fee, after you complete the online pre-registration, please transfer the fee to the postal transfer account indicated in the automatic confirmation email. The deadline for the bank transfer of the pre-registration conference fee is Friday, August 29, 2025. If your payment is not confirmed by that date, your pre-registration will be cancelled.

Special procedure for non-member discussants: If you will serve as a discussant in a General Session and are not a member of the Society, please still register through the pre-registration system. After registering, send a short notification email to the Annual Conference Help Desk stating that you have registered as a non-member discussant. You should then pay only the amount excluding the conference participation fee (e.g., if you are not attending the banquet, you will not need to make any payment; if you are attending the banquet, pay only the banquet fee).

14. Treatment of Consumption Tax for Conference Fees

The Society for Environmental Economics and Policy Studies is a tax-exempt organization. Therefore, the conference participation fee, organized session fee, and banquet fee are not subject to consumption tax. However, if your affiliated institution or funding source requires confirmation of the tax component included in these fees for accounting purposes, please refer to the breakdown below (the amounts in parentheses indicate the internal tax-equivalent amount that would be included if these fees were taxable).

Conference Participation Fee:

	Category	Amount	(Internal Tax Portion)
Pre-registration	General Member	¥4,000	(¥363)
	Student Member	¥1,000	(¥90)
	Non-member (General)	¥5,000	(¥454)
	Non-member (Student)	¥2,000	(¥181)
On-site Registration	General Member	¥5,000	(¥454)
	Student Member	¥2,000	(¥181)
	Non-member (General)	¥6,000	(¥545)
	Non-member (Student)	¥3,000	(¥272)
Organized Session Fee		¥50,000	(¥4,545)

Reception (Banquet) Fee:

	Category	Amount	(Internal tax portion)
Pre-registration	General	¥5,000	(¥454)
	Student	¥1,500	(¥136)
On-site Registration	General	¥7,000	(¥636)
	Student	¥2,000	(¥181)

15. Accommodation and Access

Please arrange your own accommodation, as the Society is not facilitating hotel bookings. Hotels in the Ikebukuro Station area are the most convenient for access to the conference venue. Other areas such as Shinjuku or Otsuka (which are on train lines with easy access to Ikebukuro) may also be convenient. *Please note:* Around the time of the conference, a major event (the World Athletics Championships) will be held in Tokyo, and coupled with the current high inbound tourism demand, hotel rates in Tokyo are expected to be very high. We strongly recommend that you book your accommodation as early as possible.

16. Childcare Service

A childcare service will be available during the conference. This service requires advance reservation and will incur a personal cost. If you would like to use the childcare service, please contact the Conference Organizing Committee (Mr. Kenta Tanaka at k-tanaka@cc.musashi.ac.jp). The application deadline is Monday, August 18, 2025. Please note that you will need to review and agree to the terms of use provided by the childcare service provider, so we kindly ask you to apply well in advance of the deadline. This year, based on past usage and facilitating arrangements with the provider, the deadline is set earlier than in previous years. If you anticipate needing childcare during the conference, please be mindful of this deadline.

17. Travel Support for Young Researchers

The Society offers a travel expense support program for young researchers who present at the conference. Presentations by young researchers at the 2025 annual conference are eligible for this support. For details on eligibility criteria, the amount of support, and application procedures, please refer to the Society's website (see the page titled "Travel Support for Young Researchers Presenting at Conferences"): <http://www.seeps.org/html/membership/TCsupport.html>

18. Key Dates and Timeline up to the Conference

(Below is a summary of important dates leading up to the conference.)

Mid-Late May 2025	▪ Start of the online submission system for General/Speed Talk/Organized Session applications and abstract/paper submissions. Also, launch of the online system for conference and banquet pre-registration and fee payment.
June 17, 2025 (Tue), 12:00 noon	▪ Deadline for submission of proposals and abstracts for General Sessions, Speed Talk Sessions, and Organized Sessions.
Mid-Late July 2025:	▪ Notification of acceptance results sent by the Program Committee.
August 7, 2025 (Thu), 12:00 noon:	▪ Deadline for submitting full papers for General Sessions. ▪ Deadline for payment of Organized Session fee.
Mid-August 2024	▪ Program Available on the Conference Website.
Mid-August 2025:	▪ Detailed conference program (with schedule of presentations) is published on the conference website.
August 18, 2025 (Mon):	▪ Deadline to apply for the childcare service (see section 16).
August 29, 2025 (Fri):	▪ Deadline for advance registration for conference participation and the banquet (see sections 10 and 11). ▪ Deadline for bank transfer payment of pre-registration fees. (<i>Participants who selected an overseas mailing address in the registration system may pay their fees on-site at the conference registration desk.</i>)
September 19, 2025 (Fri):	▪ <i>30th Anniversary Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration Symposium</i> (tentative title) at the University of Tokyo, Hongo Campus.
September 20, 2025 (Sat):	▪ Annual Conference Day 1 – Parallel Sessions (1), (2), (3); Board of Directors Meeting; General Assembly; Panel Discussion; Keynote Lecture; 30th Anniversary Reception (banquet).
September 21, 2025 (Sun):	▪ Annual Conference Day 2 – Parallel Sessions (4), (5); Board of Directors Meeting; Awards Ceremony; 30th Anniversary Symposium.

19. Contact Details:

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact the appropriate office below:

▪ **Participation Registration / Fee Payment Inquiries:**

SEEPS Annual Conference Help Desk

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