# "The Role of the University in the Innovation Ecosystem"

# No. 3

■ Day1

Date (Japan time) Oct 20, 2020

➡ 時間 | Time (JST) 10:50-11:50

■ Venue Online

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**■** スピーカー・モデ... Kat Mañalac (YC Partner)

Prof. Hironori Kasahara (Waseda University)

Prof. Yoshihiro Kawahara (the University of Tokyo)

Prof. Tetsuo Kitani (Kyoto University) Prof. Kazuo Tsubota (Keio University)

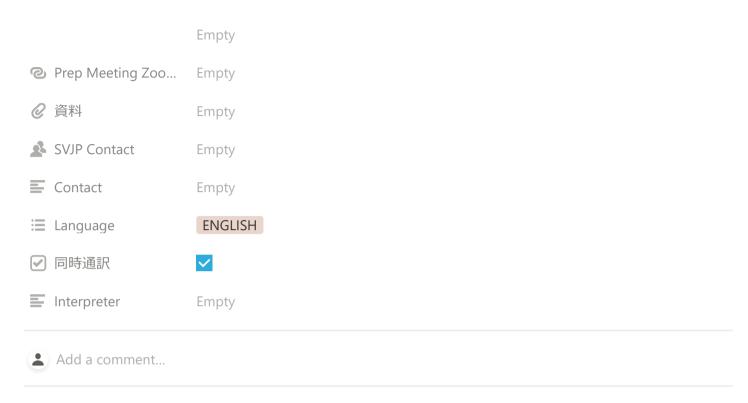
Moderator: Teruhide Sato (SVJP/ BEENEXT)

三 内容 Startup ecosystems and initiatives that emerge from universities will be discussed.

日本の大学とYCにより、大学から生まれるスタートアップのエコシステム、取り組

みについて議論する

Prep Meeting



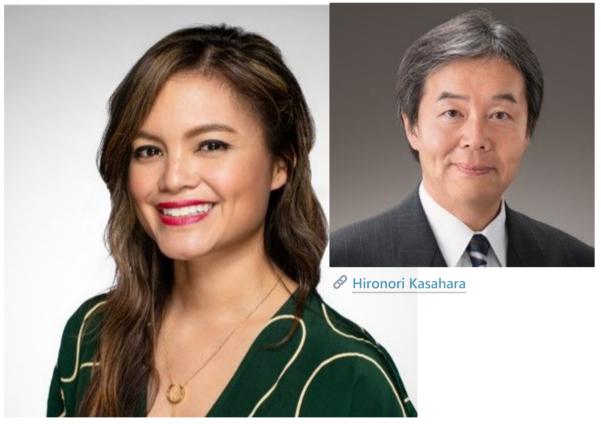
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- Ct 19, 18:50-19:55 (PDT) // Oct 20, 10:50-11:50 (JST)
- Panel Discussion
- Inglish (EN → JP simultaneous interpretation available for audience)
- New Program Description

The session will introduce initiatives of Japanese universities to incubate startups, and then discuss the ideal environment of university-initiated innovation, referring to examples from Silicon Valley. This session will provide new insights into how universities can be leveraged for entrepreneurs.

## **Guest Speakers**

- Kat Mañalac, YC Partner
- Yoshihiro Kawahara, Professor in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Information Systems, Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Tokyo.
- Hironori Kasahara, Professor, Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering, Faculty of Science and Engineering / Senior Executive Vice President, Waseda University
- Kazuo Tsubota, Professor and Chairperson, Department of Ophthalmology, Keio University School of Medicine
- Tetsuo Kitani, Program-Specific Professor, Office of Society-Academia Collaboration for Innovation (SACI), Kyoto Univversity
- Moderator: Teruhide Sato, SVJP Executive Committee Member/ Founder & CEO, BEENEXT Capital Management Pte. Ltd.



Kat Mañalac



**P** Yoshihiro Kawahara



Tetsuo Kitani



Kazuo Tsubota

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Agenda
10:50 - 10:55 Introduction of the members - Teruhide Sato
10:55 - 11:05 Presentation #1: "Waseda University ⇔ YC" by Prof. Kasahara
11:05 - 11:15 Presentation #2: "The University of Tokyo ⇔ YC" by Prof. Kawahara
11:15 - 11:25 Presentation #3: "Kyoto University ⇔ YC" by Prof. Kitani
11:25 - 11:35 Presentation #4: "Keio University ⇔ YC" by Prof. Tsubota
11:35 - 11:40 Presentation by Kat Mañalac
11:40 - 11:50 Discussion
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## Items to be prepared by universities (to be shared in advance)

- 5 mins Presentation
- 3 questions to YC
- 1 idea on how YC and University can work

## Items to be prepared by YC

• 5mins presentation to introduce the cases that YC works with universities.

## **Presentation&Comments**



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Proposal to YC:

• Could you plan to make a three-month program in Japan for Japanese Selected Startups?

#### Questions to YC:

- Will be able to collaborate to accelerate or motivate many universities' ventures including professors, students, and alumni with Online WOI2021 on March 9 and 10, 2011, through Keynote Speech, Trial Training Session, or exhibition booth?
- Will you be able to allow a few selected Japanese ventures to join the program in Silicon Valley by online?

# University of Tokyo

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#### Proposal to YC:

• Providing programs for Pis (professors) who are hubs of innovation. It is important to create educational opportunities for educators, who create people who create innovation

#### Questions to YC:

- How can we increase the number of research topics that have more growth potential and academic depth with the themes of university researchers?
- What will it take to engage the resources of the humanities, which make up half of university faculties, in startup innovation (What are incentives for them)?
- Japan's society is shrinking, and this may not be a good environment for startups. Is there a strategy that goes beyond a simple "go global" call?

# Kyoto University

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### Proposal to YC:

- Global event in Kyoto "Start me up Kyoto"
  - Real not online
  - Digital/Al/IOT opportunities in healthcare, industry, agriculture, etc.

#### Questions to YC:

• Need more Silicon-valley trained Japanese speaking mentors. How to source/train them?

# Keio University

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#### Proposal to YC:

• Collaborative project between Startups from University and Y Combinator

#### Questions to YC:

- How do you collaborate with universities?
- What type of companies/business do fit to YC program?
- What do you Japanese startup? What fit can you find with Japanese startup ecosystem?