

## W-SPRING/W-SPRING-AI PhD Forum

### 1. Purpose

With respect to the SPRING and the BOOST operated by JST as doctoral student support programs, Waseda University conducts them as "W-SPRING" and "W-SPRING-AI", respectively. Both projects are expected to take advantage of Waseda University's strengths and integrate fields of research, and students have also expressed a desire for horizontal connections with each other.

Although there have been opportunities for some students to interact with each other by taking courses and contents, holding workshops and symposiums, etc., we have not been able to provide an opportunity for all W-SPRING and W-SPRING-AI students to meet together in a hall. Thus, we hold the PhD Forum to meet students' expectations and requests and to promote exchange among students and fusion of areas.

### 2. Contents

Date	Wednesday, September 18, 2024, 09:30-18:40
Target	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● W-SPRING and W-SPRING-AI students, Students who have received support in the past by W-SPRING</li><li>● Master's and undergraduate students at Waseda University</li><li>● Faculty and staff of Waseda University</li></ul> *Judges for W-SPRING and W-SPRING-AI, Company officials cooperating in job-type internships.
Format	In person ONLY
Venue	Waseda university International Conference Center <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Ibuka Hall Opening Remarks, Introduction, Keynote Speech, Workshop group presentations and comments</li><li>● Conference Room 1 and 2 Poster Session (Digital/AI, Green, Social, Life) and Workshop (Group work)</li><li>● Conference Room 3 Mixer/Networking event</li></ul>
Application for Participation	<a href="https://my.waseda.jp/application/detail/application-detail?communityContentLinkId=588614184">https://my.waseda.jp/application/detail/application-detail?communityContentLinkId=588614184</a>

### 3. Timetable

Start	End	Program	Language	Venue
9:30	9:35	<b>Opening Remarks</b> Takayuki Homma (Director, W-SPRING Program /Executive Vice President)	Japanese	1F Ibuka Hall
9:35	9:45	<b>Guest Speech</b> Yuichi Inoue (Director-General, Science and Technology Policy Bureau, MEXT)	Japanese	1F Ibuka Hall
9:45	9:50	<b>Introduction</b> Toru Asahi (Representative of Career Support, W-SPRING Program/Professor, School of Advanced Science and Engineering)	Japanese	1F Ibuka Hall

9:50	10:10	Break		
10:10	12:40	<b>Poster Session</b> Organizer; Hironori Washizaki (Director, W-SPRING-AI Program /Professor, School of Fundamental Science and Engineering) •Divided into four sessions, posters should include a self-introduction, research introduction, and career design.		
10:10	10:40	① <b>Poster Session Part 1</b>	Japanese English	3F Conference Rooms
10:40	10:50	Break		
10:50	11:20	② <b>Poster Session Part 2</b>	Japanese English	3F Conference Rooms
11:20	11:30	Break		
11:30	12:00	③ <b>Poster Session Part 3</b>	Japanese English	3F Conference Rooms
12:00	12:10	Break		
12:10	12:40	④ <b>Poster Session Part 4</b>	Japanese English	3F Conference Rooms
12:40	13:40	Lunch break		
13:40	14:20	<b>Keynote Speech</b> Ryoichi Sugimura Chief Collaboration Officer, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology	English	1F Ibuka Hall
14:20	14:30	Break		

14:30	16:30	<p><b>Workshop (Group work)</b></p> <p>*Discuss in groups of about 8 people.</p> <p>➤ <b>Room A (Japanese students)</b></p> <p>◇ Takechika Tsurutani (Visiting Professor, Waseda Business School)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mikiko Shimaoka (Professor, Center for Research Strategy)</li> <li>● Tomomi Nonaka (Professor, School of Creative Science and Engineering)</li> <li>● Kenji Fujita (Mitsui Sumitomo Insurance Company Ltd.)</li> <li>● Daisuke Niwa (WASEDA University Ventures Inc.)</li> <li>● Yukihiro Konya (BrainPad Inc.)</li> <li>● Mikiko Saito (SMO Inc.)</li> <li>● Yusuke Maruyama (EAGLYS Inc.)</li> </ul> <p>➤ <b>Room B (International students)</b></p> <p>◇ Toru Asahi (Professor, School of Advanced Science and Engineering)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Takashi Kawai (Professor, School of Fundamental Science and Engineering)</li> <li>● Shunichi Ohmori (Associate Professor, School of Creative Science and Engineering)</li> <li>● Chihiro Nozaki (Associate Professor, Global Center for Science and Engineering)</li> <li>● Yuichiro Yoshinari (Mitsubishi Corporation)</li> <li>● Masumi Ajima (Fvital Inc.)</li> <li>● Takashi Yoshikawa (Corundum Innovation Co., Ltd.)</li> <li>● Rio Abe (SAP Japan Co., Ltd. (Former position))</li> </ul>	Japanese English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•For Japanese students; 3F Conference Room 1</li> <li>•For International students; 3F Conference Room 2</li> </ul>
16:30	16:40	Break		
16:40	17:50	<b>Workshop group presentations and comments</b>	Japanese English	1F Ibuka Hall
17:50	18:40	<b>Mixer/Networking event</b>		3F Conference Rooms