

# International Symposium 2022

## Social Work and War : Glocal Collaboration in Practice and Education regarding Support to Displaced Persons

Participation Fee:  
**Free**

Language: Simultaneous  
English-Japanese  
interpretation  
available

Purpose: As the Putin regime invaded Ukraine, millions of people have been forcibly displaced at home and abroad. Social work has a major role to play in helping people rebuild their lives by accommodating the anxieties and fears of those who have lost their homes and families and who are forced to live in constant fighting. More than 1,800 displaced Ukrainian people are staying in Japan (as of September 10, 2022).

In this symposium, researchers from Japan and overseas will discuss the challenges surrounding the expanding support and glocal collaboration across borders for displaced people, and consider the ideal form of social work for peacebuilding.

**Date : November 12 (Sat) 17:00-19:00 (Japan Time)**

**Venue : Webinar**

### Co-organizers :

Japanese Society for the Study of Social Work (JSSSW)  
Japanese Association for Social Work Education (JASWE)  
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# Speakers

## "Solidarity and support with social work educators from Ukraine during the war: Lessons for social work theory and practice"



### Darja Zaviršek, Ph.D.

- Professor, Faculty of Social Work & Chair, Department of Social Justice and Inclusion, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia
- President, East European Subregional Association of Schools of Social Work
- Professor, International MA Studies 'Social Work as a Human Rights Profession', University of Applied Science, Germany
- Member, European Disability Experts (funded by the European Commission)

Numerous research publications in the areas of disability studies, gender violence theory, history of social work education in Eastern Europe, anti-racist social work, and qualitative comparative critical methodology.

## "Forced relocation: Pathological and salutogenic points of view"



### Orit Nuttman-Shwarts, Ph.D.

- Professor & Interim Dean of Social Work, Sapir College, Israel
- National Representative for Israel, IASSW
- Past Chairperson, Israel National Social Work Council
- Member, European Cooperation in Science & Technology Project 'Transnational Collaboration on Bullying, Migration and Integration at School Lever'

Published numerous academic articles in research dealing with the effects of continuous and shared threat exposure on individuals, communities, and organizations, as well as the impact of ongoing shared trauma environments on clients, students, supervisors, and social workers.

## "Social work practice and social work education needs and response in the wartime in Ukraine"



### Oksana Boyko, Ph.D.

- Associate Professor; Head, BA in Social Work Program & Chair, Department of Social Work, National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Ukraine
- Member, MHPSS Technical Working Group in Ukraine
- WHO Trainer on MhGAP

Published extensively on a variety of social work issues, including a methodological guide for teaching international social work, a social work education manual, and a social entrepreneur manual.

## "Current status of refugee support in Japan and challenges in social work practice and education"



### Kyoko Mori, Ph.D.

- Professor, Department of Social Work, Japan Women's University, Japan
- Member, International Committee, Japan Federation of Social Workers
- Chairperson, Community Welfare Specialist Subcommittee, Koshigaya City Social Welfare Council

Specializes in international and multicultural social work, community welfare and community studies, and has written numerous publications on social work for supporting immigrants and refugees and for building a multicultural society.

**Opening Remarks: Masakazu Shirasawa, Ph.D.**  
Professor, International University of Health and Welfare & President, JASWE

**Coordinator: Junko Wake, Ph.D.**  
Professor, Tokyo Metropolitan University; Vice President, JASWE & National Representative for Japan, IASSW

**Comments: Machiko Ohara, Ph.D.**  
Professor, Japan College of Social Work and President, IFSW-AP

**Closing Remarks: Viktor Virag, Ph.D.**  
Associate Professor, Japan College of Social Work; Board & International Committee Member, JSSSW

## Register:

Forms  
⇒ <https://forms.gle/Cc2J9MLSJsTy5MF77>

**Deadline:**  
**November 8 (Thu), 2022**  
**by noon (Japan time).**

URL for Zoom participation will be sent to your registered e-mail address after November 10.



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