#### **iGHP Special Lecture Series**

## "Taiwan's struggle in health ICT: A dilemma between laws and systems"

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), a newly implemented regulation in the European Economic Area from this May, has impacted the personal information protection not only in the European region but also globally. How has such a policy affected the usage of health big data globally? We will examine the struggles Taiwan, a high-tech powerhouse, has faced from both the legal and regulatory system aspects in the recent years and examine solutions from a global perspective.

#### 1. Seminar Details

Date & Time Monday, July 30, 2018 17:00-18:15

Topic "Taiwan's struggle in health ICT: A dilemma between laws and

systems"

Venue Institute for Global Health Policy Research (iGHP), Bureau of

International Cooperation, Ground floor, Training Center Building, National Center for Global Health and Medicine (NCGM), Tokyo

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Language English only (Interpretation will be available for presentations made

in Chinese.)

## 2. Agenda (tentative)

17:00-17:05 Opening Remarks: by Hiroaki Miyata (iGHP, NCGM)

17:05-17:20 Takanori Fujita (iGHP, NCGM)

"Global trend on personal information protection law policies such as GDPR and Japan's struggle in the midst of health bigdata era"

17:20-17:35 Hsing-An Chen (School of Law, Fu Jen Catholic University)

"Recent Trend and Challenges of Taiwan's Personal Information Act

and Government Information Law"

## 17:35-18:05 Panel Discussion

Moderator:

• Hiroaki Miyata (iGHP, NCGM)

## Panelists:

- Tzu-Hsuen Yuan (Institute of Occupational Medicine and Industrial Hygiene, College of Public Health, National Taiwan University)
- Raymond N. Kuo (Institute of Health Policy and Management, College of Public Health, National Taiwan University)
- Takanori Fujita (iGHP, NCGM)
- Hsing-An Chen (School of Law, Fu Jen Catholic University)

18:05-18:15 Q&A from floor

# Report on "Taiwan's struggle in health ICT: A dilemma between laws and systems" (July 30, 2018)

On July 30, 2018, iGHP had the honor of hosting lectures by Associate Professor Hsing-An Chen of the School of Law at Fu Jen Catholic University and Dr. Takanori Fujita of iGHP to speak about the challenges faced by each country on the legal and systematic framework of the health ICT. While health data is increasingly becoming digitalized and utilized widely, the balance between personal data protection and its utilization has yet to be agreed upon globally. Taiwan and Japan, the two countries known for their high-tech ICT utilization, have observed similar trends and dilemmas. The two speakers provided detailed examples, such as amendment of personal data protection act and utilization of health database under the GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation).

Following the talks, Assistant Professor Tzu-Hsuen Yuan of the Institute of Occupational Medicine and Industrial Hygiene at the College of Public Health of National Taiwan University and Assistant Professor Raymond N. Kuo of the Institute of Health Policy and Management at the College of Public Health of National Taiwan University joined in for a panel discussion. The four experts discussed on the possible solutions including establishment of standards and new regulation of health databases.

Dr. Fujita suggests iGHP continues to have discussion with Taiwan research team for common issues and future prospect.

Participants had diverse back ground, not only from medical field but also from international studies and humanities field.

The event was attended by over 30 people.





