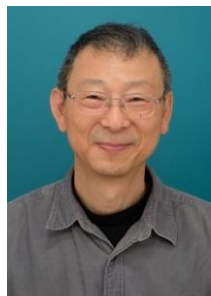


**HESPRI** - Elevating **H**igher-**E**ducation policies: an empowering **SPR**ingboard - The “Humanities” are in the spotlight at Okayama University: after BE-ARCHAEO focused on archaeology, a second **MSCA-Staff-Exchange** project is supported by the European Commission.

The current world of higher education (HE) has been shaped by two forces: the humanistic traditions of university governance and the neo-liberal reforms of the past thirty years.

With its successes and discontents, this hybrid system faces



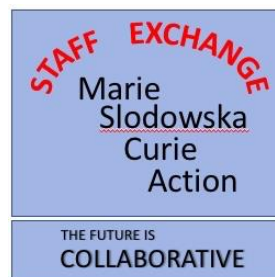
major crises that affect its ability to respond to the needs of society: the tension between traditional and neo-liberal academic values; the biased evaluation and assessment of quality in higher education; the ineffectiveness determined by the distorted measurements of scientific achievements and other factors; the recent digital transformations of the universities facing the pandemic.

Prof. Dr. Dong Kwang KIM from the Institute of Global Human Resource Development at Okayama University worked with the URA division to address those challenges.



To face these challenges, HESPRI addresses innovative strategies to strengthen public policies beyond state of the art and improve the competitiveness of the HE sector:

- Exploring, defining, and comparing quality in HE in different contexts,
- Bringing the collective voice of science into the policymaking process in HE,
- Looking at how disciplinary and national differences affect governance,
- Analyzing technology-enhanced higher education environments.



HESPRI proposal was accepted for funding in July -2022 - It is articulated around three pillars:

- a - digitalization,
- b - metaverse, and
- c - open science.

HESPRI Consortium: 14 members from around the world - Coordinator: **Institut Européen d'Etudes du Développement** in Paris.

<https://www.ieedveloppement.org/>

Project duration: 48 months from November-2022.

Okayama University is entitled to more than 40 months of **inbound mobility** supported by the European Commission MSCA funding.

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