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Oxford University Press will hold a forum event on English language education Plenary speakers are Michael Swan and Catherine Walter, prominent authors of English language resources

Oxford University Press (located in Minato-ku, Tokyo; represented by Managing Director Kiyokazu Nakamura) is holding its annual forum event *Oxford Day 2018: Global and Local Trends in Language Education* on Sunday, October 21st, 2018 at Keio University (located in Minato-ku, Tokyo).

Oxford Day is our flagship event for educators, researchers and academics in Japan, bringing together leading figures in education to address the most relevant questions facing language teachers and learners today. This year's program will feature local and international speakers; including Michael Swan, author of the bestselling book *Practical English Usage*, and Catherine Walter, researcher and award-winning author of *The Oxford English Grammar Course*, to discuss trends in language education in Japan as well as the importance of accuracy in language learning and effective methods of professional development.

[Date and Venue]

Date : Sunday 21 October 2018 Time : Doors Open at 9:00 Venue : Keio University Mita Campus Admission fee: 1,000 yen including tax (Students: Free with valid student ID)

[Plenary Speakers]

Michael Swan

(Freelance writer and lecturer, award-winning author, Practical English Usage, Oxford English Grammar Course and more)

Catherine Walter

(Emeritus Fellow, Linacre College, University of Oxford, researcher and award-winning author, Oxford English Grammar Course and more)

Presenters

Kunitake Kaneko

(Assistant Professor, Department of Information and Computer Science, Faculty of Science and Technology, Keio University)

George Kumazawa

(Showa Elementary School attached to Showa Women's University)

John C. Maher

(Professor of Linguistics, Department of Society, Culture and Media, International Christian University, Tokyo)

Noriaki Seki

(Director of Education at Seijo Gakuen)

Hiroyuki Tsukamoto

(The Comprehensive Education Center of Shizuoka Prefecture)

Yohko Watanabe

(Professor and Curator, Keio University Art Center)

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Keio University was selected for the Top Global University Project by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) in 2014 as one of Japan's top universities providing a world-class level of research and education. Under the project, and in line with Yukichi Fukuzawa's founding principles, the university is striving to enhance the sustainability of global society through jitsugaku (science). It has created three research initiatives of Longevity, Security, Creativity, to facilitate interdisciplinary research and will build on its strength as a comprehensive university in which research in a wide range of disciplines from the social sciences to the natural sciences is carried out.

Keio University Global Research Institute (KGRI) was established in November 2016 as a base to facilitate the further globalization of the university to become an international research university that can make positive contributions to the world, being a platform on which interdisciplinary research is actively in progress.