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EDUCATION

2015-2021 Ph.D. in Information Science, School of Information, University of Michigan

Research field: Information and Communication Technology (ICT) for international

development

Research topics: Innovation, digital skill development, ICT industry development

Advisor: Prof. Kentaro Toyama & Prof. Joyojeet Pal

2002-2004 M.Sc. in Information Science, Yokohama National University

Research topic: Natural language processing

Thesis title: Pattern driven extraction of motion relationship and application for meaning

analysis from a corpus of news articles

1998-2002 B. Eng. in Computer Science, Yokohama National University

Thesis title: Composition of amorphous fluorocarbon polymer films using plasma CVD

WORK EXPERIENCE (Full time)

2022-present Associate Professor, Kanazawa Institute of Technology, Japan

Department of Management Systems in College of Information and Human

Communication

2019-present Co-Founder and CEO, ICT for Development (NPO), Japan

Running a blog (100,000 PV/year), online community (70 paid members),

newsletter (330 subscribers), and Podcast on ICT and international development. [link]

2017-2019 *ICT Specialist*, Office of IT System, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA),

Japan

Designed and managed digital transformation and system development projects for

efficient budget, project, and procurement management in JICA.

Worked as the ICT task force member to utilize technology for JICA's projects.

2012-2015 ICT and Urban Development Sector Specialist, JICA, Bangladesh

Led ICT sector projects

Loan: Telecom backbone network improvement (\$104 million)

Technical assistance: National ICT certificate, ICT fare collection system

Led urban development sector projects

Loan: Urban water supply (\$440 million)

Technical assistance: Water fare collection, Solid waste management Coordinated multi-stakeholders (governments, private companies, donors).

2008-2012 ICT Sector and Africa Specialist, JICA, Japan

Led technical cooperation projects on ICT human resource development in Vietnam,

Bangladesh, and the Philippines.

Led grant telecommunication projects in Afghanistan and Pakistan. Planned and managed JICA volunteer programs in southern Africa.

2004-2008 Systems Architect, Nomura Research Institute, Japan

Designed and developed an online stock trading system as a system architect, and

operated the system as an administrator.

WORK EXPERIENCE (Part time)

2023-present	Adjunct Researcher, Waseda University, Japan Research on e-Health in remote islands areas in India.
2020-present	Visiting Professor, Kobe Institute of Computing, Japan Lecturing on an irregular-base.
2018-2023	Visiting Professor, University of Miyazaki, Japan Researching ICT human resource development project in Bangladesh.
2021-2022	Consultant (EdTech), the World Bank Research to identify the various approaches and platforms used by governments in South Asia to reach children for teaching and learning during COVID-19 pandemic.
2022	Consultant (ICT Sector Specialist), Asian Development Bank Researched on the relationship between the need from online job-posting and the supply from universities in the ICT-related field.
2021-2022	Consultant (Rwanda Innovation Model), JICA Research to identify the lesson learns of ICT innovation ecosystem development from 2000 in Rwanda
2020-2021	Research Assistant, University of Michigan, USA Conducting research on entrepreneurship and ICT human resource management in Bangladesh and Rwanda.
2020 Fall	Adjunct Lecturer: Sophia University, Japan Introduction of technology and poverty reduction for undergraduate students
2019-2020 & 2015-2017	Teaching Assistant, University of Michigan, USA Teaching Python/Data Science courses for master/undergraduate students.
2017 (3 months)	Visiting Researcher, ICT Chamber, Rwanda Researched strategy formulation, project formulation, monitoring, and evaluation of innovation and ICT industry development projects in the ICT sector.

RESEARCH AREA

ICT for Development: technological impact for society in emerging countries

Digital Skill Development: human resource management; brain circulation; self-efficacy; offshoring

Sustainable Development: official development assistance; monitoring & evaluation

Science & Technology Policy: innovation ecosystem; edu-tech; information system

Field Works in Bangladesh, Rwanda, Vietnam, Philippines, and Japan

Business/Project Experiences in 7 countries in Africa, 8 in Asia-Pacific, and 2 in Europe

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles and Proceedings (Peer-reviewed)

2024	Kano, T., Ishikawa, K. (2024). Lessons Learned from EdTech Integration During the
	COVID-19 Pandemic. In: Chigona, W., Kabanda, S., Seymour, L.F. (eds) Implications of
	Information and Digital Technologies for Development. ICT4D 2024. IFIP Advances in
	Information and Communication Technology, vol 708. Springer, Cham.
	https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-66982-8_16 [link]

- 2024 島谷祐司, 西田義人, 狩野剛, 高橋元貴, 藤井健史, & 堂本光子. (2024). プロジェクトデザイン教育における複雑構造の問題に対応した『なぜなぜ分析』の作成様式の導入. 工学教育, 72(5), 5 70-5 74. [link]
- Jony, S. S. R., Kano, T., Hayashi, R., Matsuda, N., & Rahman, M. S. (2022). An Exploratory Study of Online Job Portal Data of the ICT Sector in Bangladesh: Analysis, Recommendations and Preliminary Implications for ICT Curriculum Reform. Education Sciences, 12(7), 423. [link]
- Oishi, A., Teshima, T., Akao, T, Kano, T., et al. (2022). Forecasting Internally Displaced People's Movements with Artificial Intelligence. In Digital Innovations, Business and Society in Africa (pp. 311-339). *Springer*. [link]
- 2022 Kano, T., Kambe, H. 国際開発のDX化に向けた 官民パートナーシップのボトルネック, Beyond SDGs イノベーション研究, 2022, 3 巻, 3 号, p. 1-13 [link]
- 2021 Kano, T., Sheikh, A. M., & Toyama, K. (2021). IT Career Aspirations in Bangladesh: A Trigger for Development? *Information Technology for Development*. [link]
- 2020 Kano, T., Toyama, K. (2020). Bottlenecks of ICT Innovation in Rwanda. *Proceedings of the Eleventh International Conference on Information and Communications Technologies and Development, Paper ICTD 2020 –* [link]
- 2019 Kano, T., Sheikh, A, M. Toyama, K. (2019). Bimodal IT Career Aspirations in Bangladesh. *Proceedings of the Tenth International Conference on Information and Communications Technologies and Development Notes ICTD 2019 –* [link]

2016 Kano, T., Toyama, K. (2016). Geographic Diversification of ICTD Research. Proceedings of the Eighth International Conference on Information and Communications *Technologies and Development Notes – ICTD 2016 –* [link] 2016 Marathe, M., Chandra, P., Kameswaran, V., Kano, T., Ahmed, S. I. (2016). In search of missing pieces: A re-examination of trends in ICTD research. Proceedings of the Eighth International Conference on Information and Communications Technologies and Development Notes –ICTD 2016 – [link] 2013 Kano, T. (2013). Impact of the introduction of IC card transport fare collection system and anti-corruption. Proceedings of the Sixth International Conference on Information and Communications Technologies and Development Notes – ICTD 2013 – [link] **Working Papers / Reports** 2025 Kano, T., Lee, C., Takeuchi, K.(2025). COVID-19 の影響下における教育とICT:ブータ ンとネパールの対応から、「人間中心のデジタル化」研究会ケーススタディp25-33. JICA 緒方研究所. [link] JETRO. (2024). バングラデシュのデジタル人材調査報告. JETRO. [link] 2024 Asaduzzaman, T. M., Geven, K. M., Oza, S. K., Kano, T. Y., Shams, F., Roy, S., ... & 2023 Zubairi, A. (2023). Leveraging ICT for the Learning Recovery and Acceleration in Bangladesh. The World Bank. [link] **Proceedings** Moin, S., Kano, T., et al. (2025). HCI Across Borders: Building a Collective Vision for 2025 the Future. CHI EA '25 Proceedings of the Extended Abstracts of the CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems. [link] Ishikawa, K., Kano, T. (2022). 日本の GIGA スクール構想は One Laptop per Child と同 2022 じ道を歩むのか?. The 33rd JASID Annual Conference. Kano, T., Kambe, H. (2020). Invisible barriers between international development 2020 specialists and ICT specialists: Derivation of approaches to promote DX and collaborative creation in international development. The 31st JASID Annual Conference. 2020 Oishi, A et al. (2020). Forecasting Internally Displaced People's Movements with Artificial Intelligence. The 31st JASID Annual Conference. 2019 Kano, T. (2019). Can MOOCs Replicate the Intangible Gains of International Exposure? A Case Study in Rwanda . The 20th JASID Spring Conference. Kano, T., Obeysekare, E., Toyama, K. (2018). Can HCI Replicate the Intangible Gains 2018 of International Exposure? A Case Study in Rwanda. HCI Across Borders: Paving New

Pathways (Symposium@CHI 2018) [link]

Kano, T., Kawano, H. (2018). How Do Overseas Experiences Contribute to the Internal Growth of IT Engineers from Developing Countries? Case Studies in Bangladesh and Rwanda. *The 29th JASID Annual Conference*.

Book and magazine

2023	Kano, T. (2023). Regional Revitalization in Japan Brought About by Bangladeshi IT Professionals (Manga Version) [link]
2022	Kano, T. (2022). 「バングラデシュIT人材がもたらす日本の地方創生~協力隊が火をつけた新しい国際協力の形~」のマンガ版 [link]
2022	「デジタル技術と国際開発~ICT for Development (ICT4D) ~」(日本経済評論社) (チャプター翻訳) [link]
2021	Kano, T. (2021).「バングラデシュIT人材がもたらす日本の地方創生~協力隊が火をつけた新しい国際協力の形~」(JICA研究所プロジェクト・ヒストリー) (単著書籍) [link]
2020	Kano, T. (2020). 「特集『協創』の時代へ: DX」 (国際開発ジャーナル 2020年9月1日号) [link]
2019	Kano, T. (2019). 「IT立国を目指すデジタル教育」(教育新聞2019年1月24日号) [link]
2018	Kano, T. (2018). 「携帯電話の普及率7割に電子決済など成長企業続々」(週刊エコノミスト 2018年6月26日号) [link]

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2020 Fall	Adjunct Lecturer: Sophia University Introduction of technology and poverty reduction for undergraduate students
2020 July	Guest Lecturer: Waseda University Technology, education, and poverty reduction for undergraduate students
2020 Summer (4 months)	Teaching Assistant: University of Michigan Database (SIADS 611) and data science ethics (SIADS 503) for master students
2020 Winter (4 months)	Teaching Assistant: University of Michigan Intermediate Python programming (SI 507) for master students
2019 Fall (4 months)	Teaching Assistant: University of Michigan Intermediate Python programming (SI 206) for undergraduate students
2019 July	Guest Lecturer: Yokohama National University "Does a laptop change Education for Children?" for undergraduate students

2016-2017 (8 months)	Teaching Assistant: University of Michigan Introduction of Python programming (SI 106) for undergraduate students
2013-2017	Guest Lecturer: Kobe Institute of Computing ICT for Development related topics for master students

INVITED LECTURE/SEMINAR

2021 Mar	Try No-code for Social Change Presented at an online workshop organized by Tiger Mov, Inc.
2020 Dec	Technology for Social Change Lectured at Ikubunkan Global High School.
2020 June	Online and future education after COVID Presented at an online seminar organized by Tiger Mov, Inc.
2020 April	Can technology alleviate poverty? Lectured at Clark Memorial International High School.
2019 July	Blockchain for International Development Presented at Factory Phnom Penn, Cambodia.
2019 July	Does a laptop change Education for Children? Lectured at Graduate School of Management, Globis University.
2018 October	Blockchain for SDGs Presented at a seminar "Blockchain x Open Innovation" organized by Microsoft.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE/REVIEWER

2022	Beyond SDGs Innovation Society, Chair of 1st annual conference
2021	The Japan Society for International Development, 11th public relations committee
2019	ICTD X (Ahmedabad, India), Program committee and reviewer
2019	The International Society of Volunteer Studies in Japan, Commentator

AWARD

2020	World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program (JJ/WBGSP) Two years of scholarship for Ph.D. study/research	

2020	Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant
	USD 6,000 research grant for the field experiment on the mindset change in Bangladesh
2015	Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
2013	Two years of scholarship for Ph.D. study/research

SKILL

Programming Python / SQL / Perl / R / STATA / Wordpress / HTML

MEMBERSHIP

- The Japan Society for International Development (国際開発学会): Board member
- The Beyond SDGs Innovation Society (Beyond SDGsイノベーション学会): Board member