



Being Like Family: Humanitarian Mobility and Metaphors of Kinship across Asia

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In this webinar series, we explore the relationship between mobility and humanitarianism in the course of four episodes. We – this is Till Mostowlansky, an anthropologist at The Graduate Institute in Geneva and Agnieszka Sobocinska, a historian at King’s College London. Based on our disciplinary pathways, we approach the topic from the vantage point of both anthropology and history. In each episode, we showcase the work of either an anthropologist or a historian of humanitarianism and discuss with them how mobility features in their work.



In this week's episode, we meet [Chika Watanabe](#) from the University of Manchester to discuss her work on the activities of a Japanese NGO, the Organization for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural Advancement (OISCA), in Myanmar. Firstly, Chika presents some research she worked on towards her book on the organization, titled [Becoming One: Religion, Development, and Environmentalism in a Japanese NGO in Myanmar](#). Her presentation is followed by a discussion on intra-Asian humanitarian mobility, kinship, religious connections in humanitarianism as well as the legacy of Japanese imperialism. We hope you'll enjoy!

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