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Title	Promoting Integrated Coastal Management in the Yucatan Peninsula, Mexico
Abstract	Fragile ecosystems such as dunes, beaches and mangroves are being significantly impacted by new urban development and infrastructure projects along the coasts of Mexico. This study uses geographic information systems and satellite remote sensing to evaluate the impacts of these new developments. A stakeholder survey also was conducted to evaluate heterogeneity in residence knowledge concerning: (1) residents feelings regarding potential use and non-use values related to mangrove wetlands; (2) their preferences for resource use; and (3) their awareness of environmental impacts of urban expansion, solid waste disposal in wetlands, and construction of a coastal road network. Findings indicate that both regulatory and environmental education programs should help in the mitigation of negative impacts resulting from inevitable coastal growth. The integration of stakeholder beliefs and educational programs along with sound physical and biological studies should provide a sound base for sustainable development in the barrier islands and wetland ecosystems of the Yucatan coasts. This findings may also stimulate the design and adoption of an integrated coastal zone management program.
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Title	Welfare Advocacy and Empowerment in Informational Society: Highlighting the Dimensions of (Tele)Democratic Governance
Abstract	Given the demise of the welfare state through post-welfare capitalism under pro-market reforms, the important question for activists is: How should the structure of public governance be reinvented using information and communication technologies (ICT) enhancements for better health and welfare? Highlighting the differential impacts of new democratic praxis on social agencies and the redistributive policy outcomes, this paper critically analyzes the growing production and supply-side bias in the use of ICT. It further argues that for the betterment of welfare projects, political and administrative institutions, actors, and citizens at large should develop the communicative will for social learning in the integrated, multimodal ICT networking of the teledemocracy (TD) regime, be it online or in real time. The first section of this paper addresses to the last two decades' twin developments of the crisis of welfare capitalism and the shift toward "digital capitalism," paying special attention to the resulting problems of social inequality and the inadequacy of public governance over social development. Then, it examines the emerging governance structure: the supply-side bias in the use of ICT in service of health care reform. The subsequent sections discuss the alternative reform agenda and governance structure that are compatible with TD praxis and that can facilitate both advocacy and social learning processes. The paper ends with remarks on the issues and prospects of this project of reinvention.
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Title	だれが法廷に立てるのか 一環境原告適格の比較法的な一考察ー Who has standing for the environment ? – Comparative-law Study on Environmental Standing –
Abstract	Under the current Japanese law and judicial precedent, no one has standing to protect natural environment which is about to be destroyed. In other words, no one can challenge administrative decision such as a permit for development in the court. This is one reason why we are unable to abate so many unnecessary or environmentally undesirable public projects notoriously well-known as public works. As a result, we have lost many environmentally precious places, some of which are equivalent to world natural heritages. On the other hand, the U.S. law and judicial precedent have leniently expanded standing in environmental cases to the extent that whoever uses some places on the verge of destruction by development projects involving administrative decisions is entitled to judicial review. This article introduces such environmentally advisable U.S. standing law and urges the Japanese court to change their stubborn attitude on environmental standing.
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Title	Coastal Pollution Study in Holbox, Mexico
Abstract	Holbox and its coastal lagoon (Yalahau lagoon) is a place on the littoral of the Yucatan Peninsula, in the Gulf of Mexico, being threatened by intensive urban development as many other zones in that littoral. The objectives of this research project are to know the temporal and spatial variations of various physical and chemical parameters of coastal water quality in this coastal area, the relationships among them and to find a mechanism to involve the local communities of Holbox in the project. As seen from the objectives of the project, there are two components: the scientific and social components. For the scientific component of the project, water and sediment samples taken at two different seasons of the year (rainy and dry seasons) were analyzed. With the results of water and sediment analysis, a preliminary baseline for coastal water quality has been constructed. This baseline is an essential information to determine in the future if the natural and developmental processes have changed the conditions and health of the coastal ecosystems of the lagoon. For the social component, a survey to study the perception of the people in Holbox about coastal water pollution was carried out. Future plan for the project involves capacity training for the community in order to get them taking active role in long-term monitoring of coastal pollution.

● Commentaries

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Title	Scouting the future of our world in disorder Kwansei Gakuin University, School of Policy Studies 7 November 2001
Abstract	His Excellency Prof. van Agt is a scholar and statesman of large caliber, as the following career of his shows. 1968–71 Professor at Nijmegen University (criminal law) 1971–73 Minister of Justice, the Netherlands 1973–77 Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Justice, the Netherlands 1977–82 Prime Minister, the Netherlands 1987–90 European Union Ambassador to Japan 1990–95 European Union Ambassador to the United States In consideration of his great contribution to education and research of Kwansei Gakuin University, His Excellency Prof. van Agt received Honorary Doctorate from Kwansei Gakuin University on October 26, 2001. The following is his speech at the occasion.
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