## East Asian Database Project (EADP)

East Asian Database Project (EADP) is a project for creating Database for Comparative East Asian Social Policy Studies, which will be established in October 21<sup>st</sup> 2007 in order to exchange data, knowledge and other resources for comparative studies.

#### Introduction

There has not been much information systematically shared regarding the volume, the author and the kind of studies in the field of Comparative East Asian social policy studies. Thus, EADP aims at collecting and organizing the quantitative and qualitative data in the wider areas relating to social policies in East Asian countries. A particular focus will be placed on collecting the data on family, childcare, long-term care, and employment and gender equality, on which we have the least shared information. By doing so, EADP would like to make a valuable contribution to enhance our understanding of East Asian Social Policy. We are very welcome those who are at early stage of academic carrier to join our project.

### The Initial Objects of EADP

1) Establish a network to collect and organize the relevant quantitative and qualitative data and information on social policies in East Asian countries.

2) Establish a website which people can access the data and information collected and also for EADP's activities

## **The First Meeting**

EADP will have its first meeting during the 4<sup>th</sup> EASP International Conference. We will explain and discuss an overall plan of this project. The meeting will be held:

# 13:15-14:15 October Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>

(During The 4<sup>th</sup> EASP International Conference, The University of Tokyo, Japan) \*The venue for the meeting will be announced in the conference programme.

#### **Further contact**

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