## 17th AUTUMN WORKSHOP

OF THE RESEARCH GROUP FOR TEACHING ORAL COMMUNICATION IN JAPAN



## **PROGRAM**

12:30 - 13:00

Registration

13:00 - 14:00 **Presentation** 

Bruno Vannieu, Laboratoire de la Méthode Immédiate *Using cultural codes to our advantage* 

Getting students to speak in large university classes with low motivation isn't an easy feat. Cultural styles of communication affect the typical university oral communication class in two ways: classroom interaction and the way students sound when they are having conversations. How can we best use our understanding of various cultural factors to avoid problems of miscommunication and deliver successful classes?



14:15 - 16:15 Participative workshop Bruno Jactat, University of Tsukuba

Oral testing... the light way

Many teachers have told us "I'm thinking about doing oral testing but I've never done it. It sounds too hard in my context". This is a shame, as they deprive themselves of a great way of holding their students' attention and directing their learning. In this participatory workshop, we will discuss practical ways of testing speaking skills on a regular basis, with a special focus on how to do it in the lightest possible way. Based on the idea that "1 is infinitely greater than 0", attendees will learn how a little organizational effort can go a long way when assessing spoken language.



16h30-17h30 Participative workshop **Using Conversations in Class, 3rd Edition** 

Conversations in Class is the result of 15 years of in-class testing in the context of large, low-motivation, lower-level Japanese university classes. Perhaps you've just started using CiC3 and could use some feedback or advice. Maybe you're an experienced user and can share some creative and successful ways you've used this textbook. Or, it might be you haven't used the book yet and would like to have your questions answered about it from fellow teachers. Participants will share their teaching experiences with this textbook via a mix of small and large-group discussions.

18h-20h

Dinner party (4000 yen)



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