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Speaker biography

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Professor Masako Kudo is a sociocultural anthropologist. She has conducted longitudinal research among Japanese-Pakistani couples since 1998, focusing mainly on the processes of formation of transnationally split families and the ways in which Japanese women married to Pakistani men forge their Muslim identities. Her current project concerns the socio-economic status of the children of such marriages and the trajectories of their identity-formation in transnational spaces. She has also interviewed British Muslims of Pakistani backgrounds in the UK. Her recent publications in English include "Mothers on the Move: Transnational Child-Rearing by Japanese Women Married to Pakistani Migrants" (in David W. Haines et al. eds., *Wind over Water: Migration in an East Asian Context*, Berghahn Books, 2012); "Crafting Religious Selves in a Transnational Space: Japanese Women Who Converted to Islam upon Marrying Pakistani Migrants" (in Noriko Ijichi et al. eds. *Rethinking Representations of Asian Women: Changes, Continuity, and Everyday Life*, Palgrave Macmillan, 2015); and "The Evolution of Transnational Families: Bi-national Marriages between Japanese Women and Pakistani Men," *Critical Asian Studies*, 49 (1) (2017).