

Call for participants

DISUMA Graduate Academy

Innovations for future sustainable urban transport

Tokyo, 22 (Tue) to 24 (Thu) July 2025

Organized by The University of Tokyo, Chulalongkorn University and Universitas Gadjah Mada

Overview

The transition to sustainable urban transport systems is essential for cities across the world, both in the Global South and North (Canitez, 2019). Achieving such transition requires a broader shift in the socio-technical system (Geels, 2012), including **the development of innovative solutions that leverage new technologies, business models, and the support of citizens into practical policies**. At the same time, a truly sustainability transition in urban transport (Markard, 2012) needs to consider social aspects such as equity, vulnerability, justice, inclusivity, and decarbonization are particularly highlighted as components of a just transition in urban transport (Lucas, 2012; Schwanen, 2021; Tammaru et al., 2023).

The International Project Laboratory of the University of Tokyo, the Chulalongkorn University Transportation Institute, and the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering of the Universitas Gadjah Mada are pleased to announce the **DISUMA Graduate Academy to share, discuss, and reflect on the innovations** currently being implemented across the world **and how these will impact the transition to sustainable urban mobility**.

Interested graduate students and young scholars are invited to apply for the DISUMA Graduate Academy, which will take place in Tokyo from July 22 to 24, 2025.

Selected participants will

- Share and learn on innovations to achieve just transportation implemented in the world
- Discuss and reflect on them based on DISUMA's Participatory Foresight workshop.
- Connect with fellow students, mentors, and senior mentors.

Participation in the program is at no cost, but participants need to cover their expenses (unless explicitly mentioned otherwise). Limited financial support (economy return flight ticket and accommodation) available for up to 10 participants based in ASEAN member countries.

Interested participants are requested to submit their application documents by March 31st, 2025 (23:59 Japan Standard Time) at: <u>https://forms.gle/utWmYNDqVrSP9X9R6</u>

For questions, contact Dr. Daniel del Barrio Alvarez: <u>danieldelbarrioalvarez@g.ecc.u-tokyo.ac.jp</u>



Application documents

Please refer to the application form <u>https://forms.gle/utWmYNDqVrSP9X9R6</u> including:

- A brief description of the applicant's current research or demonstrated interest in sustainable urban mobility in Southeast Asia (300-500 words).
- Two (2) case studies of innovations (technological, social, and/or institutional) that could significantly impact urban transportation in the short, medium and long term. Download and fill in the following format: <u>https://shorturl.at/0rgGZ</u>
 - Please note that the case studies submitted (collectively) will be utilized during the graduate academy. Therefore, well informed and complete cases will be preferred.
- A short motivation letter explaining your interest in it and expectations for participating in the Graduate Academy (~500 words)

Eligibility

- Graduate students currently enrolled in an official program or recent graduates.
- Conducting research or with a proven interest in the topics of the Graduate Academy.
- Must be available to attend the full program in person and actively contribute to its activities.
- The graduate academy aims for diversity and inclusion.

Financial support

- Participation in the program is at no cost for selected participants. Although they will need to arrange and cover their travel expenses and costs during the program.
- Up to 10 graduate students based in any ASEAN member country may receive financial support, including round-trip airfare from their nearest airport and accommodation for up to four nights in a single or twin room (subject to availability) in Tokyo.
- Health and travel insurance, and any other expenses not explicitly mentioned should be covered by the participants.

Key dates

31 March 2025	Submission deadline
05 April 2025	Notification of acceptance
13 April 2025	Confirmation from participants
May	Online seminar and guidance session
22-24 July 2025	DISUMA Graduate Academy



Mentors (in alphabetical order)

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