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**The 16th Symposium
on
Personal and Spiritual Development
in the World of Cultural Diversity**

Chairs:

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Personal and Spiritual Development of the world people tends to base it on the prevalent value system of the world dominant Civilization, as well as on each Native Culture. Thus, peoples and societies under the strong influence of Modern Civilization have been easily persuaded over time to follow an *explosive and inhuman direction* of the Market Value System that represents the Core Synergism of Modern Civilization. This implies that the modern, modernizing and modernized peoples have long been *exposed to and inculcated by* the grossly lopsided/self-righteous modern thoughts and ideologies, which have given rise to the Market Value System to degrade their cultural, natural, social, personal, familial, spiritual and intellectual values, among other important social values.

In view of the ever explosive, inhuman and chaotic nature of today's human politico-economic activities, it is most meaningful now to *reflect on* our personal, spiritual and intellectual development, as well as to *work for* more reasonable and decent personal-spiritual-intellectual maturing that encourages our aspiration for a viable,

meaningful and harmonious future. Such a common aspiration calls for a long-term *unyielding* collaboration to rectify the globalized Market Value System and *reconstitute* a sound social value system in each society through a determined *collaborative-conscious* endeavor for resuscitation and enrichment of the *now fading* Native Culture.

Our 16th Symposium invites *your contribution* that relates to our future-oriented **personal and spiritual development** that hinges intrinsically on social Synergism and Synergetics. Also invited is *your contribution* relevant to **personal and spiritual development**, in view of a cultural, historical, social, political, economic, scientific, artistic, aesthetic, moral, ethical, philosophical, psychological, environmental and/or their combined framework.

The annual International Symposium on Personal and Spiritual Development has been continuous since 2004, and all the personally delivered papers up to 2018 have been peer-reviewed and published in IAS books, entitled *Personal and Spiritual Development in the World of Cultural Diversity (Volumes I ~ XV)*, edited by Prof. George E. Lasker and Prof. Kensei Hiwaki.

If you are interested to present a paper at our 16th International Symposium, please contact **Prof. Kensei Hiwaki** as soon as possible by E-mail. Also, please send by E-mail attachment an *Abstract* of your paper (approximately 200 English words) to **Prof. Hiwaki** and **Prof. George E. Lasker**, respectively, no later than March 30th, 2019. (*Notification of Acceptance* will be sent you by April 9th, 2019.)

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Your *final paper* (by E-mail attachment of standard Word file) must reach **Prof. Hiwaki**, **Prof. Lasker** and **Prof. Andreas Tinsz** (Chief Administrative Officer, E-mail: office@iias.info), respectively, by **May 9th, 2019**, if you want your paper to be published.

!!! IMPORTANT REQUIRMENT !!! A *strict adherence* to our **Registration Procedure and Instructions to Authors** is required for publication of *your paper*. (*For details*, please visit our Website: “<http://www.iias.edu>”).

Important Dates: **Abstract due:** **March 30th, 2019**
 Final Paper due: **May 9th, 2019.**