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Activity Report -Science Dialogue Program-
(サイエンス・ダイアログ事業 実施報告書)

- Fellow's name (講師氏名): **Akos KOPPER** (ID No. **P11794**)
- Participating school (学校名): **Ibaraki Prefectural Namiki Secondary School / Namiki High School**
- Date (実施日時): **2nd May, 2012.**
- Lecture title (講演題目): **PROBLEMS OF ENQUIRE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES - TALK ABOUT BORDERS, MOBILITY, CITIZENS**

政治学と社会学の研究の特別問題

- Lecture summary (講演概要): Please summary your lecture 200-500 words.

Before the lecture organizers of the event at Namiki Secondary School asked me to deal with three topics in my lecture, which were in turn: 1.) my country and my personal background; 2.) the importance of English language and 3.) the problems I am focusing on in my research these days as a JSPS Fellow.

Accordingly I started my presentation with a few words about my country, Hungary. Next I emphasized that today academic work is an international activity, which requires the knowledge of the English language regardless where, in which corner of the world one is living at, in case one wants to make high quality contributions to science. Next, I turned to discussing the specific problems that we, social scientists face in their work. I tried to underline that because social science focuses on people and societies - which are reflexive entities - the results, theories and arguments we make may in fact influence and change the actual subject matter of what we study. Hence, the responsibility and challenges that social scientists face are enormous. Doing social science is not just a work of observation and analysis, but an ethical endeavor, which should aim at making the world a better place.

Finally, in the third part of my lecture I briefly introduced my research on borders, citizenship and migration. The students were very attentive and some of them even asked questions after my talk. All and all, I should say that I have spent a very enjoyable time with them in Namiki Secondary School.

- Language used (使用言語): **ENGLISH**

- Lecture format (講演形式):

◆ Lecture time (講演時間) **1 hour 20 minutes**, Q&A time (質疑応答時間) **20 minutes**

◆ Lecture style (ex.: used projector, conducted experiments)

(講演方法 (例: プロジェクター使用による講演、実験・実習の有無など))

I used a projector (PPT presentation) and showed a part of a film on social enquire

◆ Interpretation (ex.: assistance by accompanied person, provided Japanese explanation by yourself) (通訳 (例: 同行者によるサポート、講師本人による日本語説明))

There was no interpretation

◆ Name and title of accompanied person (同行者 職・氏名)

I went alone

◆ Other note worthy information (その他特筆すべき事項):

non

- Impressions and opinions from accompanied person: **not applicable**