

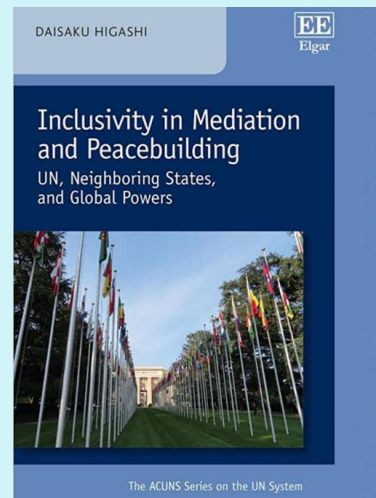
## INVITATION

# Inclusivity in Mediation and Peacebuilding: UN, Neighboring States, and Global Powers

March 3rd, 2022

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Registration : <https://www.balsillieschool.ca>



The Balsillie School of International Affairs (BSIA) in Canada is honored to have a talk by Dr. Daisaku Higashi of Sophia University on his latest book, *Inclusivity in Mediation and Peacebuilding: UN, Neighboring States, and Global Powers* (Edward Elgar 2022). The book also becomes “ACUNS Series on UN System.” While the book emphasizes the importance of inclusive processes in post-conflict peacebuilding, it also illustrates the importance of mediators taking flexible approaches to inclusivity in mediation during armed conflicts, highlighting the crucial balance between the need to select conflicting parties to make an agreement feasible and to include multiple parties to make peace sustainable.



**Dr. Daisaku Higashi** is a professor at Sophia University in Tokyo. Previously, he worked for NHK, Japan Public TV station as a program director from 1993 to 2004 and produced numerous TV documentaries, including “Rebuilding Iraq: Challenges of the United Nations” which received the silver medal from the UN Correspondents Association in 2004. Then, he obtained PhD in Political Science from the University of British Columbia; Prof. Higashi also worked as Team Leader for Reconciliation and Reintegration in UNAMA in 2010 and held the position of Minister-Counsellor in the Japanese Mission to the UN in New York from 2012 to 2014. His publication includes “Challenges of Constructing Legitimacy in Peacebuilding” (Routledge 2016).