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<p>SESSION 3</p> <p>Abstract:</p> <p>While divorce has long been culturally discouraged and limited in Vietnam, the divorce rate has been rapidly increasing after the renovation policy in late 1980s. This paper aims to examine social and cultural factors influencing the divorce decision, using data of 493 divorce profiles of one district court in 10 years (i.e.2000-2009) and case studies of divorced persons at the same district.</p> <p>There is an interesting pattern of the person who initiated divorce that brings out alternative issues of gender equality. There are different variables which correlate to divorce such as age at marriage, marriage duration, number of children, living arrangements after marriage, type of marriage, place of residence, employment, birth cohort, sex of children and etc.</p> <p>Case studies shed lights on alternative aspects in divorce. Economic hardship and conflict might be the root of much marital dissolution. It has close relation with men's uses of alcohol addicted, drug addicted, and gambling. Economic hardship is also relevant to domestic violence, the universal cause of rural divorces. Migration and its relation with extramarital sexual relation are also discussed. There are also traditional factors involvements in divorce decision such as living arrangement, mother and daughter in-law relationship, restige of polygyny, childless, the belief of destiny and etc.</p>		



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Comments: In the conference, I have the opportunities to listen to alternative presentations on divorces in Asian from different perspectives and methods. I have learnt about alternative trends of divorce in Asia from the historical to modern society; have understood different circumstances and norms of divorce in different countries and cultures; and shared very much the similar consequences of divorces to the development of the children and divorced women's lives.

This conference definitely contributes lots to my current dissertation on divorce in Vietnam in Kyoto University.