

## JLPS+ Lecture Series

# The Great (Un)equalizer: How Housing Can Reshape Inequalities Across Societies

### Speaker

Dr. Rowan Arundel  
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Residential real estate represents by far the largest store of wealth globally and is fundamental in structuring societal inequalities. Housing markets have transformed through ongoing integration with global capital, financialization and household wealth strategies. Intensified flows of capital into property, however, appear increasingly uneven both across space and populations. Presenting his research in several European contexts, Rowan Arundel unpacks how housing wealth has become increasingly concentrated spatially – across regions, cities, or neighbourhoods – and how this drives growing wealth inequalities. He further introduces his upcoming research tackling a big-picture empirical assessment of the differing role of housing in either amplifying or mitigating inequalities across countries.

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### Venue

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in the Main Building of the Graduate School of Human Sciences, The University of Osaka (Suita Campus)

& Online (Zoom)

### Registration



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