

“Constitutional Right to Sexual Autonomy”

Transgender people, same-sex marriage, prostitution, rape (sexual intercourse without consent), mandatory sterilization, denial of access to Medically Assisted Reproduction (MAR), denial of accepting the legal status of parent to newborn child, contraception and abortion. These issues have become such a huge social issue in Japan as well as in many countries in the world. They call for radical reconsideration of sex, sexuality and the Constitution. Moreover, Japan is facing a rapid aging and serious population decline triggered by the extremely low birthrate and the Japanese government is trying to promote marriage and childbirth, with no meaningful success. How should we respond to these urgent serious challenges?

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