

# FUKUOKA PRIZE 2021



## Grand Prize

### PALAGUMMI Sainath

India / Journalist (Born in 1957)

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Mr. Palagummi Sainath is a passionately committed journalist who has continued to investigate impoverished farming villages in India, listen to voices from the rural population, capture the reality of the people's lifestyle, and report 'rural stories'. As Asia goes through turbulent changes, Mr. Sainath has been seeking new 'knowledge' and promoting civil cooperation. For this reason, he is a very deserving recipient of the Grand Prize of Fukuoka Prize.



## Academic Prize

### KISHIMOTO Mio

Japan / Historian (Born in 1952)

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Prof. Kishimoto Mio is a historian specializing in the socio-economic history of China in the Ming-Qing period. Embodying the core traditions of Japanese studies of 'Eastern History', she has inherited the discipline's insistence on evidence-based precision, and by combining an analysis of the inner workings of Chinese society with a global perspective, she has consistently produced innovative studies which also raise fresh questions. Her involvement in writing and editing school textbooks, and her contribution to the next generation in historical studies, are also highly praised.



## Arts and Culture Prize

### Prabda YOON

Thailand / Writer, Filmmaker, Artist (Born in 1973)

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Mr. Prabda Yoon is one of Thailand's leading writers who has shown his creative versatility as a critic, scriptwriter, graphic designer, etc. His work contributes not only to the development of Thai literature and thought, but also to renewing Thailand's understanding of Japan. In recent years he has been pursuing, as an Asian writer, a deeper philosophical insight into the future of humanity.