



Fukushima as “Moral Panic”

Moral panics = blaming *already distrusted* members of society for things largely out of their control

Reaction to Fukushima manifested previously-held resentment of nuclear village



Kyle Cleveland, “Significant Breaking Worse,” *Critical Asian Studies*, 2014



Changing Institutional Culture

Need for change to “institutional culture” – not “institutions” & not “culture”

Need *new story* of Japan and Fukushima

Generational change – empower young leaders within institutions



