

Researching Japan in Social Sciences and Humanities

Dates: April 24 (Wednesday) and 25 (Thursday), 2013

Venue: Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw, Poland, Wóycickiego 1/3, building No.23

April 24th (Wednesday)

8:30 Registration

Room 201

9:30 Opening Plenary Session

Opening address

1. Prof. Roman Slawinski (PAN)
2. Prof. Janusz Balicki (Wyszynski University)

10:00 Key note speeches

10:00-10:40 Prof. Kawamura Yoshio (Ryukoku University) Socio-economic Reality of Japanese Agricultural/Rural Development in the Globalizing Era

10:40-11:20 Prof. Izabela Wagner (Warsaw University) The extreme value of extreme cases: Japanese culture

11:20-11:40 Discussion

11:40-12:40 *Lunch Break*

Session A and Session B will be run in parallel

12:40 – 14:10

Seminar Room 112

[Panel 1] CULTURAL STUDIES

Moderator: Beata Kowalczyk (Warsaw University)

Panelists:

1. Piotr Dąbbski (Opole University), “Film as an unbiased insight into Japanese culture”.
2. Urszula Mach-Bryson (Warsaw University), “Symbolism and Aesthetics of the Japanese Tea Garden (roji)”.
3. Karolina Broma-Smenda (Warsaw University), “Enjo-kosai (compensated dating) problem of contemporary Japanese society through the reading of a play Call Me Komachi”.
4. Dr. Veronica Gaspar (National University of Music Bucharest), “History of a cultural conquest: the piano in Japan”.
5. Dr. Tomasz M. Korczyński (Wyszynski University), “The social phenomenon of Haruki Murakami (in Poland and other countries). The analysis on the basis of the sociology of knowledge paradigm”.

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[Panel 2] GENDER STUDIES

Moderator: Justyna Turek (Wyszynski University)

Panelists:

1. Olga Barbasiewicz (PAN), “The impact of Confucianism on the modern Japanese women's life”.
2. Dr. Kyoko Koma (Mykolas Romeris University, Lithuania), “Kawaii Represented in Scientific Research: The Possibilities and Problems of Kawaii Cultural Studies”.
3. Nilay Calsimsek (Canakkale Onsekiz Mart University, Turkey), “Process of Gender Identity Formation in Childr.en’s Magazines in Meiji Era”.
4. Małgorzata Kolbowska (Warsaw University), “Universal love? Differences and similarities between Polish and Japanese couples”.

14:10 – 14:30

Coffee Break

14:30 – 16:00

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[Panel 3] SOCIAL STUDIES

Moderator: Beata Kowalczyk (Warsaw University)

Panelists:

1. Dr. Talamo Mario (University of Naples 'the Oriental'), "Tōkaidōchū hizakurige: popular work or fruit of a well-planned selling strategy? An inquiry from a sociological perspective".
2. Prof. Sunyoung Park (POSTECH, Pohang, Kyungbuk, Korea), " Mt. Baekdu Expedition of Kyoto University and News Media".
3. Olga Merkusheva (Moscow State University), "Regional policy in postindustrial Japan".
4. Dr. Olga Kotowska-Wójcik (Wyzynski University), "Mutuals' Inspirations – Japanese and European Look at the Insurance Area".
5. Dr. Hiroaki Richard Watanabe (University of Sheffield), "Japanese employment and family-policy reform since the 1990s: Economic stagnation and unsolved social problems".

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[Panel 4] ECONOMY STUDIES

Moderator: Dr. Nicolas Levi (PAN)

Panelists:

1. Tomasz Olejniczak (Kozminski University), "Japanese management: 50 years of evolution of the concept".
2. Dr. Pawel Pasierbiak (UMCS), "Technological Leadership of Japanese Economy?".
3. Daniela Stella (Wyzynski University), "Japanese companies in Poland (1995-2012)".
4. Justyna Turek (Wyzynski University), "Economical relations between EU and Japan-new challenges and perspectives".
5. Tomasz Białobrzęski (Warsaw University) "The influence of geological structure and constructing buildings on human sense of security in Japan. The case of seismic hazard in a context of social psychology."
6. Dr. Andrea Revelant (Ca' Foscari University of Venice) "Economic Growth and Tax Inequality: Evidence from World War I."

April 25th (Thursday)

Room 201

Key note speech

9:00 – 10:40

Prof. Teruji Suzuki (Kozminski University), Corporate Governance in Japan

Kie Kawada (IR from Japan), Japanese cooking through media

Discussion

10:40 – 12:10

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[Panel -1] CULTURAL/FOOD STUDIES

Moderator: Olga Barbasiewicz (PAN)

Panelists:

1. Magdalena Piecyk (Wyszynski University), “Kawaii Syndrome – Its Importance And Role In Contemporary Japan”.
2. Forum Mithani (SOAS), “Challenging the Narrative of the Two-Parent Norm: Representations of Single Mothers in Contemporary Japanese Television Drama”.
3. Nevena Stajic (IR from Serbia), “Understanding Culture: Food as a means of communication”.
4. Dr. Cornelia Reiher (MLU Halle-Wittenberg), “Spatial politics of food in contemporary Japan”.
5. Magda Klimek (Gdansk Uni.), “The protruding nail will be pounded Japanese tradition, or hypocrisy ...?”.

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[Panel - 2] PUBLIC POLICY/LAW STUDIES

Moderator: Dr. Nicolas Levi (PAN)

Panelists:

1. Simone Kopietz (Hamburg University), “Candidate recruitment within the DPJ – Restrictions of the hereditary system”.
2. Ioan Trifu (University of Lyon), “Prefectural governors and populism in Japan (1990s-2010s)”.
3. Seongjo Kim (University of Sheffield), “The politics of health care retrenchment in Japan after 1990s”.
4. Dr. Farkas, Maria Ildiko (Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Károli Gáspár University of the Hungarian Reformed Church), “The Japanese „Nation Bulding” in European Comparison”.
5. Dr. Leon Wolff (Bond University, Gold Coast, Australia), “Law and Popular Culture in Japan: A Reinterpretation of Japanese Attitudes to Law and Justice”.

12:10-13:10

Lunch Break

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[Panel 3] JAPAN/CHINA

Moderator: Olga Barbasiewicz (PAN)

Panelists

1. Tine Walravens (Ghent University, Belgium), “Japan Facing a Rising China: Implications on the Dynamics of Identity Formation”.
2. Prof. Larisa Zabrowskaia (Russian Academy of Sciences. Vladivostok), “The Character of Japan-China Relations after the Earthquake of 2011”.
3. Krystian Karolak (Lodz University), “Political History and Myths In Sino-Japanese Relations”.
4. Mariusz K. Krawczyk and Wei Zhang (Ryukoku University), “Who is responsible for real estate bubbles? Comparing 1980’s Japan and 2000’s China”.

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[Panel 4] MIGRATION, DEMOGRAPHIC STUDIES

Moderator: Daniela Stella (Wyszynski University)

Panelists

1. Paweł Lewandowski (Wyszynski University), “The most significant consequences of migration for Japan”.
2. Edyta Bednarek (Lodz University), “Struggle with social exclusion in Japan. The case of Buraku people”.
3. Dr. Marta Luty-Michalak (Wyszynski University), “Demographic ageing in Japan”.
4. Dr. Frauke Kempka (MLU Halle-Wittenberg), “Thresholds of Intolerance: individuals and immigration-related social conflicts in Japan and Germany”.

14:30-14:45

Coffee Break

14:45 – 16:15

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[Panel 5] RELIGION/CONFUCIAN STUDIES

Moderator: Paweł Lewandowski (Wyszynski University)

Panelists:

1. Beata Kowalczyk (Warsaw University), “Japanese Artists and Confucian (?) Way to Professional Career”.
2. Dr. Nicolas Levi (PAN), “The Japanese and the Korean Confucianism”.
3. Emil Paweł Ciecieląg (KUL), “The Confucian elements in the Book of Five Rings”.
4. Adam Krawiec (UMCS), “The impact of Confucianism on social and business relations in Japan”.

[Panel 6] INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

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14:45 – 16:15

Moderator: Dr. Marta Luty-Michalak (Wyszynski University)

Panelists:

1. David Adebahr (Munich University), “Tokyo’s missing Strategy and Japan’s quest of ‘rebalancing’ the East Asian Security Architecture”.
2. Adam Raszewski (Wyszynski University), “France – Japan relations in the course of the last decade: chances, threats and prospects”.
3. Alicja Ciszewska (Warsaw University), “The significance of the Trans Pacific Partnership for Japan”.
4. Marta Mickiewicz-Nikodem (Warsaw University), “Public Diplomacy of Japan”.
5. Dr. Yasunobu Ito (Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology), “Anthropology of Business Anthropology: Investigating ethnographic methods used in the context of business in Japan”.

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