

# Researching Japan in Social Sciences and Humanities

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

Venue: Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw, Poland

## April 24<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday)

8:30 Registration

Room 201

9:30 Opening Plenary Session

Opening Address

1. Prof. Roman Sławinski (PAN)
2. Prof. Kazimierz Łatak (UKSW)

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 (UW)

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 (UW)

Panelists:

1. Piotr Dąbowski (Opolski 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. Tomasz M. Korczyński (UKSW), “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: Olga Barbasiewicz (PAN)

Panelists:

1. Dr. Taka Oshikiri (SOAS), “Women and Chanoyu in modern Japan”.

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 (UW), “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 (UW)

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. Olga Kotowska-Wójcik (UKSW), “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 (UKSW), “Japanese companies in Poland (1995-2012)”.
4. Justyna Turek (UKSW), “Economical relations between EU and Japan-new challenges and perspectives”.
5. Tomasz Białobrzęski (UW) 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.

**April 25<sup>th</sup> (Thursday)**

Room 201

Key note speech

**9:00 – 10:40**

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

Kie Kawada (IR from Japan)

Discussion

**10:40 – 12:10**

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[Panel -1] CULTURAL/FOOD STUDIES

Moderator: Olga Barbasiewicz (PAN)

Panelists:

1. Magdalena Piecyk (UKSW), “Kawaii SynDr.ome – It’S Importance And Role In Contemporary Japan”.
2. Forum Mitani (SOAS), “Challenging the Narrative of the Two-Parent Norm: Representations of Single Mothers in Contemporary Japanese Television Dr.ama”.
3. Nevena Stajcic (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 (UG), “*The protruding nail will be pounded* Japanese tradition, or hypocrisy ...?”.

**10:40 – 12:10**

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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 (SOAS), “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*

**13:10– 14:30**

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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 Zabrovskaia (Russian Academy of Sciences. Vladivostok), “The Character of Japan-China Relations after the Earthquake of 2011”.
3. Krystian Karolak (UŁ), “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 (UKSW)

Panelists

1. Paweł Lewandowski (UKSW), “The most significant consequences of migration for Japan”.
2. Edyta Bednarek (UŁ), “Struggle with social exclusion in Japan. The case of Buraku people”.
3. Dr. Marta Luty-Michalak (UKSW), “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 (UKSW)

Panelists:

1. Beata Kowalczyk (Warsaw University), “Japanese Artists and Confucian (?) Way to Professional Career”.
2. Olga Barbasiewicz (PAN), “The impact of Confucianism on the modern Japanese women's life”.
3. Dr. Nicolas Levi (PAN), “The Japanese and the Korean Confucianism”.
4. Emil Paweł Ciecieląg (KUL), “The Confucian elements in the Book of Five Rings”.
5. 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: Justyna Turek (UKSW)

Panelists:

1. David Adebahr (Munich University), “Tokyo’s missing Strategy and Japan’s quest of ‘rebalancing’ the East Asian Security Architecture”.
2. Adam Raszewski (UKSW), “France – Japan relations in the course of the last decade: chances, threats and prospects”.
3. Alicja Ciszewska (UW), “The significance of the Trans Pacific Partnership for Japan”.
4. Marta Mickiewicz-Nikodem (UWr), “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”.