











THE EUROPEAN UNION AND JAPAN IN A FLUID GLOBAL LIBERAL ORDER

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Welcome Words & Agenda by Waseda University

In partnership with the ULB-IEE, the Organization for Regional and Inter-regional Studies (ORIS) at Waseda is carrying out a joint research project entitled 'The European Union and Japan in a Fluid Global Liberal Order: Establishing an Inter-Regional Studies Centre'. An Advanced Research Network, this project is generously funded by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) from April 2018 to March 2023, as part of its Core-to-Core (C2C) Programme.

(See http://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-c2c/adopted_a.html; https://www.waseda.jp/inst/oris/en/project/)

Upon launching the project, several research groups were set-up reflecting both its three underlying theoretical pillars as well as its four shared case-studies – see Figure below. The project's three theoretical research groups are: (1) comparative studies of European integration and Asian regionalism (TG1: comparative regionalism); (2) studies on diffusion mechanism of liberal norms between the two regions (TG2: inter-regional norm diffusion); and (3) studies of global and regional actorness of both the EU and Japan (TG3: global and regional actorness). Concomitantly, the four transversal case-studies research groups (CG) identified so far include: (1) free trade agreements (FTA); (2) sustainable development goals (SDG); (3) comprehensive/ non-traditional security; and (4) history/ memory/ reconciliation. Overall, this research project includes three major types of outputs: (1) joint research deliverables; (2) joint seminars and workshops; and (3) researcher exchange programs, notably for young (early stage) researchers.



Conceptual Diagram of the Project

The 2019 EU-Japan Forum is one of project's major activities. The Forum is not an end onto itself, but rather the beginning of a pluri-annual substantial joint research. As such, over the course of the Forum's various sessions – 8 topical academic panels, 2 PhD workshops, 1 Public Key-Note and 1 Policy Round-Table – the organizers hope to jump start more substantial research collaboration which are expected to lead to a series of joint publication such as edited books, journal special issues and/or co-authored articles.

Prof. Hidetoshi Nakamura

Associate Professor, School of Political Science and Economics, Waseda University













Welcome Words by ULB-IEE

The Institut d'études européennes of the Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB-IEE) is proud to host the 21st annual EU-Japan Forum. Launched one year after the 1992 'The Hague Declaration' institutionalising the EU-Japan partnership, this series of academic gatherings the ULB-IEE has consitently organised for over two decades has emerged as one of the primary venues for academic debates on the EU-Japanese partnership. As such, previous iterations of the Forum have already led, among other, to the publication of: two special issues of *Studia Diplomatica*; two edited volumes with P.I.E-Peter-Lange publishing; and two edited volumes with Routlegde published as part of the GEM Book Series (*see below*).

Moreover, this year's conference is co-organised with the Organization for Regional and Inter-regional Studies (ORIS) at Waseda University, thus reflecting the growing collaboration between the ULB and Waseda, be it either in research or training. Furthermore, the Forum also enjoys support from both the Belgian Fond National de la Recherche Scientifique (F.R.S-Fnrs) and a Core-to-Core project funded by the Japanese Society for the Promotion of Sciences (JSPS).

The overarching topic of the 2019 Forum is 'The European Union and Japan in a Fluid Global Liberal Order'. The recent launch of the EU-Japan Economic Partnership and Strategic Partnership Agreements (EPA/SPA) further underline the timeliness of the chosen topic. The two-day Forum will involve some 24 EU-based scholars from 7 European universities and 23 Japanese scholars from 6 Japanese universities. Overall, the debates at the Forum will reflect the associated projects' three theoretical research groups, as well as its four transversal case studies. As mentioned, the event will involve :(1) 8 topical panels, (2) 2 PhD workshops, (3) 1 policy forum, (4) and a public keynote.

Ultimately, discussions at the Forum are expected to lead to a series of joint publications over the course of the coming years.

Prof. Anne Weyembergh

President of the Institut d'études Européennes, Université libre de Bruxells

Previous publications on EU-Japan relations edited by the ULB-IEE

- Remacle, E., & Ueta, T. (Eds.). (2001). Japan-EU Cooperation Ten Years after the The Hague Declaration, Studia Diplomatica LIV (1-2)
- Remacle, E. & Ueta T. (Eds.). (2005). Japan and enlarged Europe: partners in global governance (No. 4). P.I.E-Peter Lang
- Remacle, E., Ueta, T., & Ponjaert, F. (2007). Japan-European Union: A strategic partnership in the making. Studia diplomatica, 60(4)
- Remacle, E. & Ueta T. (Eds.). (2008). Tokyo-Brussels Partnership: Security, Development and Knowledge-based Society (Vol. 7). P.I.E. Peter Lang
- Mayer, H., Nakamura, H., & Bacon, P. (Eds.). (2015). The European Union and Japan: a new chapter in civilian power cooperation?. Ashgate Publishing, Ltd.
- Vanoverbeke, D., Suami, T., Ueta, T., Peeters, N., & Ponjaert, F. (Eds.). (2017). Developing EU–Japan Relations in a Changing Regional Context: A Focus on Security, Law and Policies. Routledge













ACADEMIC PANELS

Academic panels at the EU-Japan Forum are conceived of as a platform for an academic exchange of ideas between Japanese and European researchers on a topic of shared concern mostly likely to be the object of further research over the years to come. To ensure that all the panels address the forum's wider research agenda on Japan and Europe in an increasingly fluid global liberal order, they are clustered along four cross-cutting theoretical frameworks: (1) theories of normative diffusion; (2) theories of comparative regionalism; (3) theories of international actorness, and (4) theories of memory and identity construction.

In line with the panels' exploratory intent, contributors at this stage are merely expected to outline their initial insights and possible research prospects related to wider theme associated with their panel. The focus and set-up of each panel are the product of an initial dialogue between a Japanese and European scholar who are entrusted with exploring the possible contours of a shared research agenda.

Normative Diffusion

- Cooperation in Criminal Matters coordinated by A. Weyembergh (ULB) & S. Matsuzawa (Waseda University)
- Global Governance and Sustainable Development Goals coordinated by Y. Katsuma (Waseda University) & P. Bacon (Waseda University)

Comparative Regionalism

- Regional Organizations' Funding Structures coordinated by F. Mattheis (ULB) & M. Shu (Waseda University)
- Regional Level and Inclusive Education coordinated by K. Kuroda (Waseda University) & E. Bribosia (ULB)

Interregional Actorness

- Obligations born from the Economic and Strategic Partnership Agreements coordinated by T. Nakamura (Waseda University) & A. Van Waeyenberg (ULB)
- Practices and Perspectives associated with Specific Strategic Cultures coordinated by A. Higashino (University of Tsukuba) & F. Ponjaert (ULB)

Identity Building

- Values as Object of Reconciliation or Conflict coordinated by F. Forêt (ULB) & A. Hino (Waseda University)
- Reconciliation in Times of Exclusive Nationalism coordinated by E. Kato (Waseda University) & C. Zhang (ULB)

Overall, contributions should be about 15 minutes long. Prior to the event, speakers will only be asked to provide either a PowerPoint and/or a short (max 1-page) abstract outlining their intended presentations. These hand-outs will serve both as a basis for the scheduled discussions and as an initial suggestion of a possible future chapter (average length of 7000 words maximum) in one of the projected scheduled publications. Contributors are asked to send in their PPT and/or abstract to the central organizers by 5th March at the latest.











Venue: Institute for European Studies-ULB

Avenue Franklin D. Roosevelt 39

1050, Brussels

ACADEMIC PANELS

8:30-9:00 Registration & Coffee

9:00-10:30 Panel 1 (@ Kant Room)

Values - An Object of Reconciliation or Conflict in

Japan and Europe?

Speakers

Chair Jan STÖCKMANN (ULB)

François FORET (ULB)

& Airo HINO (Waseda University)

"Values in Japan and Europe: a comparative historical, socio-cultural and political perspective"

Toyomi ASANO (Waseda University)

"National memories and transformation of the reconciliation studies in East Asia"

Naoyuki UMEMORI (Waseda University)

"Towards the reconstruction of conflict resolution studies through East Asian perspective"

Vanessa FRANGVILLE (ULB)

& Chenchen ZHANG (ULB)

"Values, cultural diversity and social integration in Japan"

10:30-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-14:00 AGORA Forum Roundtable (see p.14) & Lunch











ACADEMIC PANELS

14:00-15:30 Panel 2 (@ Spaak Room)

Understanding the Obligations born from the EU-Japan Economic and Strategic Partnership Agreements

Speakers

Chair Jean-Christophe DEFRAIGNE (UCLouvain)

Tamio NAKAMURA (Waseda University)

"Legal implications and intercations between the EU-Japan Free Trade and Strategic Partnership Agreements SPA"

Frederik PONJAERT (ULB)

How to avoid postpatrum depression? What substantive issues to drive the EU-Japan partnerhsip now that JEEPA is signed?"

Hikaru YOSHIZAWA (Doshisha University)

"The EU's External Competition Policy: A Hybrid Approach?"

15:30-16:00 Coffee break











16:00-17:30 Panel 3 (@ Spaak Room)

The Case of EU-Japan Cooperation in Criminal

Matters

Speakers

Chair Dimitri VANOVERBEKE (KULeuven)

Anne WEYEMBERGH (ULB-IEE, CDE)

& Irene WIECZOREK (University of Cambridge)

"EU-Japan cooperation in Criminal Matters"

Shin MATSUZAWA (Waseda University)

"Comparative approach of external agreements in Criminal Matters concluded by Japan"

Saskia HUFNAGEL (Queen Mary University of London)

"The December 2018 Working Arrangement between Europol and the National Police Agency of Japan"

18:00-19:30 **Public Conference** (see p.13)











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ACADEMIC PANELS

8:30-9:00 Registration

9:00-10:30 Panel 4 (@ Kant Room)

Global Governance and the Sustainable

Development Goals

Speakers

Chair Isaline BERGAMASCHI (ULB)

Yasushi KATSUMA (Waseda University)

"Promoting Universal Health Coverage (UHC) in achieving the SDG 3: Opportunities for EU and Japan to collaborate at the G20 Osaka Summit"

Paul BACON (Waseda University)

"Promoting 'decent work' and marine resource conservation in achieving SDGs 8 and 14:

the EU's fisheries 'Yellow Card' diplomacy in Thailand"

Sameea AHMED HASSIM (EHESS, CERN)

"Indicator politics: the power of numbers in governing global gealth"

Mina CHIBA (Waseda University)

"Global health governance in the multipolar world: Implications of China-Japan-Korea tripartite health ministers' meeting"











10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-12:30 Panel 5 (@Kant Room)

Regional Organizations' Funding Structures

Speakers

Chair Gustavo GAYGER MÜLLER (KULeuven & ULB)

Frank MATTHEIS (ULB)

"A typology of Regionalism: How to compare the finances of regional organizations"

Min SHU (Waseda University)

"Infrastructure investment and region building in Asia"

Takashi TERADA (Doshisha University)

"Institutionalising Indo-Pacific Regionalism: Feasibility and viability"

Katrina JEDRZEJOWSKA (University of Warsaw)

"Conceptualizing regional development finance architecture in East Asia"

12:30-14:00 Lunch











14:00-15:30 Panel 6 (@ Spaak Room)

European and Japanese Strategic Cultures

Speakers

Chair Frederik PONJAERT (ULB)

Elena ATANASSOVA-CORNELIS (KULeuven)

"Japan's strategic uncertainties: Sources, responses and Japan's partnership with the EU"

Atsuko HIGASHINO (University of Tsukuba)

"Revisiting the concept of the 'insulator' state: EU-Turkey relationship from a Japanese perspective"

Wilhelm VOSSE (International Christian University) "EU-Japan Cyber Diplomacy"

Ken TAKEDA (Tokai University)

"What kind of international actor will be sought? The EU and Japan's engagement with the Rohingya issue"

15:30-16:00 Coffee Break











16:00-17:30 Panel 7 (@ Spaak Room)

The Regional Level & Inclusive Education

Speakers

Chair Marlène BARTES (Europan Commission, DG EAC, Japan Desk)

Kazuo KURODA (Waseda University)

"Inclusive education and disabilities in Asian developing countries: Quality strategies for SDGs"

Emmanuelle BRIBOSIA (ULB)

& Isabelle RORIVE (ULB, Centre Perelman)

"Challenges in the implementation of inclusive higher education - The role of the Equality Law Clinic"

Makiko HAYASHI (University of the Sacred Heart)
"Diversity in international policy on inclusive education
of regional groups covering 77 state parties to the
CRDP: Perspectives on its implementation in Asia"

17:30-18:00 Coffee Break











18:00-19:30 Panel 8 (@ Geremek Room)

Reconciliation in time of Exclusive Nationalism

Speakers

Chair Vanessa FRANGVILLE (ULB)

Emi KATO (Waseda University)

"Screen memories of war and colonialism in Japan"

Jeffrey James HALL (Waseda University)

"Moderating hate: How Japan's far-right discusses China and Korea"

Chenchen ZHANG (ULB)

"Right-wing populist discourse in Chinese cyberspace as narratives of international order"











FVFNT PROGRAM-DAY 1

18:00-19:30 Public Conference (@ Solvay Business School,

R42.4.502)

EU-Japan Partners in Research and Education

Key-note as part of the ULB thematic year

Speakers

Chair Prof. Kazuo KURODA (Waseda University)

Ms. Themis CHRISTOPHIDOU

(European Commission, DG EAC)

H.E. Mr. Akira KONO

(Deputy Chief, Mission of Japan to the EU)

Abstract Organised as part of the ULB thematic year dedicated to "l'Europe de la Connaissance", the Institut d'études européennes (ULB-IEE) and the Waseda University Brussels Office (WBO) are to jointly host a public conference on the EU and Japan as partners in Higher Education and Research.

> Over the coming years, cooperation between both strategic partners in the fields of research and education are expected to enter a new and more dynamic phase. Possible advances in the field are notably outlined at the first EU-Japan policy dialogue in education, culture and sport that brought together Tibor Navracsics, European Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport, and Yoshimasa Hayashi, Japan Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) on July 6th 2018. The conclusions of this first policy dialogue were subsequently picked up by the Joint statement concluding the 2018 EU-Japan summit which reaffirmed the launch of new joint calls for joint master programmes between European and Japanese Universities as well as reiterated the desire to see the number and breadth of joint calls for shared research projects to be increased over the coming years. Accordingly, in the foreseeable future, alongside their Japanese equivalents, both the Erasmus+ and the HorizonEurope program are expected to offer opportunities for new and deeper collaboration between Tokyo and Brussels. These new opportunities inevitably come with a set of corollary challenges and questions which this public discussion hopes to offer an initial set of answers to.













AGORA FORUM POLICY ROUNDTABLE

This two-hour long policy-centric roundtable aims to provide a favourable environment for open-ended and privileged discussions on a chosen policy-challenge with an eye on fostering both: (1) research-based decision making and (2) practice-informed research.

As such, an AGORA© forum session is neither a straightforward academic conference, nor a mere dissemination exercise. Its' primary aim is to facilitate effective interactions between the scientific community, decision-makers and third parties. The resulting two-way dialogue is to (1) allow policy-makers and practitioners to inform ongoing academic research, while simultaneously (2) clearly crystalizing and disseminating the policy implications of these same scientific findings.

To this end, the scheduled two-hour roundtable discussions are organised according to the following principles:

- Chatham House rules are in effect with discussions remaining privileged
- A singular session chair is charged with preserving the flow of the conversation and moderating between the various interventions
- To introduce the discussion two academics with varying perspectives are invited to prepare a short introductory presentation sketching some of the key questions to be raised and discussed
- Overall, following the introductory remarks (scheduled at 20min max) the discussion among the twodozen of invited participants is to last for about 90min.
- All invited participants are welcome to intervene at their convenience by simply indicating their intention to the session chair who is charged with giving the floor to those wanting to contribute
- There is no limit on the number of individual interventions. To allow for a maximum number of
 interventions, participants are asked to keep their contributions short and pointed with an eye on reacting
 to points made so far











AGORA FORUM - POLICY ROUNDTABLE

11:00-13:00 Roundtable (@ Kant Room)

EU-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement

Contributors

Chair Hidetoshi NAKAMURA (Waseda University)

Introductory Speakers Ignacio GARCIA BERCERO (EC, DG TRADE) - TBC

Jessica MICHELSON (EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation)

Mario TELÒ (ULB & LUISS Guido Carli di Roma)

Yorizumi WATANABE (Keio University)

Participants

T. Asano (Waseda University)

E. Atanassova-Cornelis (UA)

P. Bacon (Waseda University)

T. Buzek (EESC) - TBC

M. Chirullo (EC, DG TRADE)

E. Danks (EIAS)

J.-C. Defraigne (UCLouvain)

S. Ghislain (Eurogroup for Animals)

A. Higashino (University of Tsukuba)

A. Hino (Waseda University)

S. Hottat (SPF Aff. Etrangère, BE) - TBC

H. Inoue (JETRO, Brussels) - TBC

Y. Katsuma (Waseda University)

K. Kuroda (Waseda University)

D. Lambert (EC, DG GROW)

B. Lange (EP, S&D) - TBC

H. Lee-Makiyama (ECIPE)

D. Levie (EC, DG TRADE) - TBC

F. Mattheis (ULB)

P.-A. Miguel (French Perm. Rep.) - TBC

T. Nakamura (Waseda University)

F. Ponjaert (ULB)

L. Portero (EC, DG TRADE) - TBC

E. Roes (SPF Aff. Etrangère, BE) - TBC

T. Suami (Waseda University)

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W. Vosse (ICU)













PhD WORKSHOPS

The two PhD workshops hosted at the 2019 EU-Japan Forum will bring together a dozen of Early Stage Researchers from both the EU and Japan. The goal of these twin sessions is two-fold: (1) on the one hand, the first session on Monday morning will involve a series of activities centred on methods training associated with Comparative Politics and Area Studies; whereas on the other, (2) the Tuesday afternoon session will focus on possible prospects for future joint research within one of the underlying research project's three theoretical research groups.

PART 1 - Monday 11th March 2019

This Methods-centric 2h-long session is set to be divided into three functionally different 40-min sections:

- (1) **Session on 'Mixed Methods"** (40 mins)
 Lecture-based session on how to best integrate quantitative and qualitative data, notably in the study of regional organizations
- (2) 'Tour-de-table' Individual Presentations (30 mins)
 Early Stage Researchers will be invited to present themselves on the basis of a set presentation sheet
- (3) World Café on research methods (45 mins)

Set of smaller group discussions, with individuals switching tables periodically and getting introduced to the previous discussion at their new table by a "table host". The focus of the tables will be on fieldwork and methodological challenges associated with writing a PhD.

Possible themes the attending doctoral fellows can chose from include: (1) Challenges associated with Research Design; (2) Gathering data and Fieldwork in Japan/Asia; (3) Gathering data and Fieldwork at the EU; (4) Gathering data and Fieldwork in the Global South; (5) Publication Strategies; (6) Tools associated with Comparative Research; (7) Other bottom-up suggestions

PART 2 - Tuesday 12th March 2019

The second session will include three parallel substantive roundtables, each involving 3-4 PhD fellows and a moderator. Discussions will focus on the prospects for future joint research and possible contributions by the Early Stage Researchers to the scientific deliverables scheduled within the associated C-2-C research project on the EU and Japan in the face of a fluid global liberal order. The scheduled topical roundtables are:

- 1. Normative Diffusion Chair: Paul Bacon (Waseda University)
- 2. Comparative Regionalism Chair: Hidetoshu Nakamura (Waseda University)
- 3. Global and Regional Actorness Chair: Frederik Ponjaert (ULB)











EVENT PROGRAM - PHD WORKSHOP

Venue: Institute for European Studies-ULB Avenue Franklin D. Roosevelt 39 1050, Brussels

Monday 11th March 2019 - SESSION ON RESEARCH METHODS

9:00-11:00 PhD Workshop 1 (@Spaak Room)

Session on 'Mixed Methods'
By Frank Mattheis (ULB)
& Frederik Ponjaert (ULB)
Introductory tour-de-table
World Café on Research Methods

Participants

Marin CAPELLE (ULB-IEE)

Céline C. COCQ (Uni. de Genève & ULB-IEE)

John JACOBS (Freie Universität Berlin)

Anke KENNIS (Waseda University)

Elisa NARMINIO (ULB & Waseda University)

Camille NESSEL (ULB & Universiteit Gent)

Yuma OSAKI (Doshisha University)

Midori OZAWA (Waseda University)

Nicholas PEETERS (Waseda University)

Leyla RADJAI (Waseda University)

Thais Favero SOUZA (Waseda University)

Weijing XING (Freie Universität Berlin)

Anne XUAN NGUYEN (ULB)











EVENT PROGRAM - PHD WORKSHOP

Tuesday 12th March 2019 - PARALLEL ROUNDTABLES

18:00-19:30 PhD Workshop 2 (@Sous-sol, Floor -1)

Roundtable on 'Normative Diffusion'

Chair: Paul Bacon (Waseda University)
Roundtable on 'Comparative Regionalism'

Chair: Hidetoshi Nakamura (Waseda University)
Roundtable on 'Global and Regional Actorness'

Chair: Frederik Ponjaert (ULB)

Participants

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Camille NESSEL (ULB & Universiteit Gent)

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Notes





















