



PROGRAM

SOCIETIES AT THE CROSSROADS – GERMANY AND JAPAN IN COMPARISON

17th Conference of the German-Japanese Society for Social Sciences

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at German Institute for Japanese Studies (DIJ), Tokyo.

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Wednesday, 23 October 2024

10:00-10:15	Opening and Welcome Addresses Prof. Dr. Franz Waldenberger (Director, DIJ) Prof Dr. Carmen Schmidt (President, GJSSS)
10:15-11:15	Panel 1: Digitization / AI / Media Chair: Carola Hommerich CARMEN SCHMIDT, Osnabrück University: Okinawan Civil Religion in the Context of the Digital Modernity MASATO KIMURA, Toyo University: The 2024 Problem of Logistics and Invisible Media
11:15-11:30	Break
11:30-12:30	Panel 2: International Relations Chair: Dietrich Albert YUKI ABE, Kumamoto University: Controversies over Japan's Pacifism in the Time of Security Policy Development TOMOKO TAKAHASHI, Kyoto University, & PATRICK VIZITIU, University of Bamberg: State-Rebuilding through International Norms: Germany and Japan's Quest for Sovereignty and Consequences for the Participation in Multilateral Conflict Resolution
12:30-14:00	Lunch Break
14:00-15:00	Panel 3: Cognitive Development Chair: Gisela Trommsdorff KIM CHARLOTT KAKOSCHKE, AKIKO OBOKATA & SABINE PAUEN, all University of Heidelberg: Self- and Co-regulation in Early Childhood – A Comparison between Japan and Germany MAKOTO KOBAYASHI, Tamagawa University: How Can We Foster the Meta-Cognition about the “Confrontation of Justice”? A Trial for the Development of a Teacher Education Programme towards the Goal “Rapprochement of Cultures”
15:00-15:30	Break
15:30-17:00	Panel 4: Environment Chair: Makoto Kobayashi CAROLA HOMMERICH & JOANNA KITSNIK, both Sophia University: A Revolution in Consciousness? Changes in Environmental Attitudes in Germany and Japan REGINA M. BICHLER, University of Munich, LMU: Zero Waste Cities in Germany and Japan – Different Approaches to Similar Problems FRANZ WALDENBERGER, DIJ Tokyo: How Japan Plans to Achieve Net-Zero by 2050 – A Critical Assessment
17:30-19:30	Wrap-up First Conference Day (Conference Buffet)

Thursday, 24 October 2024

10:00-11:30	Panel 5: COVID-19 Impact Chair: Yu Mitsuda ANDREA HAMM, Weizenbaum Institut & YUYA SHIBUYA, The University of Tokyo: Scaling Civic Tech: Case Study of COVID-19 Bulletin Board in Japanese PAUL JOHANN KRAMER, LMU Munich, JAMES FARRER, Sophia University, & GABRIELE VOGT, LMU Munich: COVID-19 and the Hospitality Industry in Japan: Navigating Diverging Expectations KEN TAKAKUSA, Chiba University Tokyo: Japanese Anime Song Fandom During and After the COVID-19 Pandemic: An Ethnographic Investigation
11:30-11:45	Break
11:45-12:45	Panel 6: History of Ethics and Democracy Chair: Yuki Abe YU MITSUDA, Takachiho University: Social Studies as Moral Education in Japan: Towards a Comparative Sociology of EarlyPost WWII Period MOTOTAKA MORI, Waseda University: Feudalization of Re-Feudalization – Where is “Modernity” in Japan?
12:45-14:00	Lunch Break
14:00-14:30	Panel 6 con’t SHINGO TORIGOE, Showa Women’s University, Tokyo: Making Waiting Visible: A Sociological Approach to the Phenomenon of Waiting
14:30-15:30	Panel 7: Reflecting on the GJSSS – Actors, Topics, Impacts Chair: Masato Kimura GISELA TROMMSDORFF, University of Konstanz: May Cross-roads of Knowledge Broaden Perspectives on Social Change? DIETRICH ALBERT, University of Graz: Illustration of Academic Activities Regarding Japan-German Cooperation
15:30-16:00	Break
16:00-16:30	Conference Wrap-up & Closing Session Chair: Claudia Derichs
16:30-17:30	Business Meeting GJSSS