

The East Asian Community Forum

Re-imagining East Asian Community: International/Transnational Challenges, Economic Cooperation, and Regional Identities

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Date: Sept. 27 (Tue.), 2016, 9:00~18:10
Venue: Room 711, Building 19, Waseda University

Outline

International relations in East Asia are in flux as a result of transformative developments such as the rise of China, the U.S.'s pivot to Asia, and the shift of Japan's security identities. Similarly, South Korea-Japan relations are undergoing a sea change as the two countries managed to resolve the outstanding issues of "comfort women" at the end of 2015, marking the 50th anniversary of diplomatic normalization. Against this backdrop, the tangled questions of territorial disputes and discordant historical interpretations remain as key destabilizing factors in the regional order. The three countries now collectively face the need for navigating the treacherous waters of political summitry and forming positive images of one another.

The East Asian Community Forum (EACF) is an annual event that aims to develop a network of distinguished scholars of East Asia and bridge academia and policymaking circles in the region. Our goal is to analyze political, historical, social and economic issues in East Asia, exchange views on the ways to enhance the prospects for intra-regional cooperation and community building, and create a web of close scholarly collaboration. In this context, the EACF has shed light on the key regional issues from historical, theoretical and empirical perspectives, reviewed the multi-faceted regional dynamics in Northeast Asia and envisaged a new regional cooperative order.

This year's EACF will have three thematic sessions, featuring research presentations and discussions of key issues facing East Asia. There will also be Q&A time at the end of each session.

Event Language: English & Japanese

Seats available: 80-100

Advance registration is not required.

Event Summary

9:00-9:50 **Opening Ceremony**

10:00-12:00 **Session 1: New Challenges in East Asia's Politics and International Relations**

Presentations by Chikako Kawakatsu Ueki (Waseda University), Hyug Baeg Im (Korea University), Zhao Kejin (Tsinghua University), and Satoshi Amako (Waseda University)

14:00-15:40 **Session 2: Economic and Industrial Cooperation in East Asia**

Presentations by Su Jin Kong (Korea University), Kaoru Nabeshima (Waseda University), and Rong Ke (Tsinghua University)

16:00-17:40 **Session 3: Social and Cultural Identities of East Asia**

Presentations by Jiang Hong (Beijing Normal University), Seio Nakajima (Waseda University), and Hyoung-sik Lee (Korea University)

17:55-18:10 **Closing Remarks**

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