

7th International Seminar for the Promotion of Interdisciplinary Research and International Exchange

Exploring Global Collaborative Learning

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October 31, 2025, 14:00 to 18:00 (JST)

Program

Time (JST):

Moderator: Mohammad Moinuddin (Graduate School of Humanities, The University of Osaka)

- 14:00 - 14:02 Introduction of the Seminar
Dr. Mohammad Moinuddin (Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Humanities, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan)
- 14:02 - 14:10 Keynote Speech
Prof. Kokado Minori (Chief, Study Abroad Support Section, International Affairs Office / International Exchange Center, Graduate School of Humanities, The University of Osaka)
- 14:10 - 14:40 Special Lecture “Intellectual Cooperation and the League of Nations: Global Promises and Asian Challenges in the First Half of the Twentieth Century”
Prof. Arnab Dutta (Faculty of Arts, University of Groningen, Netherlands)
- 14:40 - 14:50 Q&A
- 14:50 - 15:05 “Gurcharan Singh, Pioneer of Modern Indian Pottery: The Asian Lotus Pattern from Korean White Porcelain to Delhi Blue Pottery, 1920-1924”
Prof. Yorimitsu Hashimoto (Graduate School of Humanities, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan)
- 15:05 - 15:20 “K. S. Sabharwal and Prewar Indo-Japanese Exchanges: Rethinking Cultural and Political Encounters”
Mohammad Moinuddin (Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Humanities, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan)
- 15:20 - 15:30 Comments and Q&A

Break (15:30 – 15:35)

Paper Presentations

Discussant: Prof. Arnab Dutta (University of Groningen, Netherlands)

Moderator: Prof. Kokado Minori (The University of Osaka)

- 15:35 - 15:50 “Discovering the Image of Japan in Thailand through the Analysis of Japan-Themed Parks”
Issara Horsirimanont (B4, School of Letters, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan)
- 15:50 - 16:05 “Sacred Flames Across Cultures: A Comparative Study of Fire Festivals in India and Japan”
Manmeet Kaur (Ph.D. Candidate, Centre for Japanese Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India)
- 16:05 - 16:20 “The Universality of Normative Rightness: Human Rights as a Foundation for Global Collaborative Learning”
Atsuki Morishima (M1, Graduate School of Humanities, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan)
- 16:20 - 16:35 “Neuroscience in Society: from Ethical, Legal, and Social Perspectives”
Hao Zhechen (D3, Graduate School of Humanities, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan)
- 16:35 - 16:45 Comments and Q&A

Break (16:45 – 16:50)

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- 16:50 - 17:05 “Comparative Literary Gerontology: Portrayals of Aging and Caregiving in Japanese and Hindi Literature”
Pankaj Kumar (Assistant Professor, Department of Foreign Languages, Manipur University, Imphal, Manipur, India)
- 17:05 - 17:20 “Murakami Haruki and the Making of Japanese Cool Literature”
Moin Mokhtar (Graduate School of Human Sciences, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan)
- 17:20 - 17:35 “Understanding, Not Excusing: Japan’s Cultural Identity and Wartime Choices”
Wakako Takenaka (B2, School of Letters, The University of Osaka, Osaka, Japan)
- 17:35 - 17:50 “Reading Suffering Across Borders: A Comparative Analysis of Japanese Atomic Bomb and Indian Partition Literature”
Mohd Savez (Ph.D. Candidate, Centre for Japanese Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India)
- 17:50 - 17:58 Comments and Q&A
- 17:58 – 18:00 Closing remarks & Vote of thanks

Prof. Ejirō Dōyama (Deputy Director, International Affairs Office /
International Exchange Center, Graduate School of Humanities, The University
of Osaka, Osaka, Japan)

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