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A Long-standing Tradition of Excellence

The objective of his more then a decade long project is to deepen the relations between academic, student and policy-making communities in Japan and Europe within the wider context of Europe-Asia relations.

Japan and the European Union have developed a strategic partnership and are both engaged in several frameworks of regional integration in Europe, Asia and even Eurasia. The interaction between strategic partnerships and regional integration is consequently becoming a key challenge for the Japan-EU relationship. Ongoing dialogue and understanding is therefore needed in all spheres of co-operation: political co-operation, security, conflict prevention and peace-building, trade, investment, cultural and people-to-people relations.

Assessing a Complex and Evolving Reality

This conference was designed to offer various analysis of the interaction between strategic partnerships and regional integration, as experienced by Japan and Europe within the wider context of Asia-Europe relations.

The EU, its member states and Japan have developed a multi-faceted relations through a direct strategic partnership. On the one hand, this crucial bilateral relationship between Japan and the EU is further enhanced by the numerous and deep bilateral relations Japan entertains with a plurality of European countries. On the other hand, the underlying inter-regional dynamics are further supported by the ASEM process, the ASEAN Regional Forum, and more and more through the OSCE and NATO-Japan discussions. Furthermore Japan is deeply involved in regional talks of its own within the Asia-Pacific region (APEC, ASEAN+3, east Asian Community), whereas the European Union has continued to established deep working relations with other European regional organizations (NATO, Council of Europe, OSCE).

The conference—lasting one day and a half, and be followed by a associated conference hosted by the NESCA network (Network of European Studies Centers in Asia) - will explore the interaction between all these different processes and focus on economic, security, trans-national challenges and on the interaction between Japan-EU relations and the wider regional and inter-regional processes.



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PROGRAM

Tuesday, November 25th 2008

Morning Session

09:15 – 11:00 **Concluding Session** - *In collaboration with NESCA*
Chair: SEM T. Kimura (ASEF & EUI, Florence)
Pr. R. Seidelmann (Giessen Univ)

Regional Context & Inter-Regional Cooperation: Taking Stock of the Europe-Asia Relationship

Pr. Tsutomu KIKUCHI,
(Aoyama-Gakuin University)
Japanese Perceptions of Regional Frameworks in East Asia

Pr. Apirat PETCHSIRI
(Chulalongkorn Uni., Bangkok)
Europe and East Asia: A View from ASEAN

M. Frederik PONJAERT &
(FRS-Fnrs, IEE-ULB & KULeuven & GARNET)

M. Julien BECLARD
(FRS-Fnrs, IEE-ULB & REPI-Pôle Bernheim)
Public Research Projects in Europe and East Asia: Cooperation or Competition?

Discussant

Pr. Pascaline WINAND
(Monash University, Melbourne)
Europe and East Asia: A View from Australia

11:00-11:30 **Concluding remarks**

Pr. Takayuki KIMURA
(ASEF & EUI, Florence)

Pr. Reimund SEIDELMANN
(Giessen University)



Deepening Strong Cooperative Ties

Under the ongoing stewardship of the **Université Libre de Bruxelles - Institut d'Etudes Européennes** (ULB-IEE) and the Tokyo-based **International Christian University**; as well as with the support of several longstanding partners — Egmont, KULeuven, other ULB research centers and two key European networks (GARNET & NESCA); the **11th Annual Brussels Conference on EU-Japan Relations** will offer a clear overview of the outcomes of two parallel evolutions: the growing strategic partnership between the EU and Japan on the one hand; and the ongoing academic dialogue it has generated on the other.

Moreover, this will also prove a privileged venue to launch new initiatives and future collaborative dynamics as both the EU-Japan relationship, as well as the scientific dialogue it has fostered seek to renew their efforts so as to guarantee that the coming decade is at least as fruitful as the previous one

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PROGRAM

Monday, November 24th 2008

Morning Session

- 09:00 – 09:15** **Registration**
- 09:15 – 09:30** **Welcome Word**
- 09:30 – 10:15** **Opening Keynote Addresses**
Chair: Pr. M. Teló (ULB-IEE)
M. Philippe VINCKE- Recteur de l'ULB
H.E.M Ambassador Nobutake ODANO
Japan's Ambassador to the EU
M. Alan SEATTERN
DG External Relations, European Commission
- 10:15-10:45** **Coffee Break**
- 10:45-12:30** **Economic Partnership**
Chair: SEM. T. Kimura (ICU)
Pr. Maria Joao RODRIGUES
(IISCT-Lisbon University Institute & EE-ULB)
The External Dimension of the Lisbon Agenda
Pr. Yorizumi WATANABE (Keio University)
Japan-Europe Economic Integration Agreement
Pr. André SAPIR,
(IEE-ULB & Research Fellow Bruegel)
WTO Policy and FTAs after the Doha Round
- 12:30-13:45** **Lunch at the Egmont Palace**



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Monday, November 24th 2008

Afternoon Session

- 13:45-15:45** **Security Partnership**
Chair: Pr. S. Biscop (Egmont Institute)
Pr. Chris HUGHES
(University of Warwick & GARNET)
Europe, Japan and the Iran/Iraq Complex
Pr. Yasuhiro MATSUDA (Tokyo University)
Japan, China, North Korea and Europe
Pr. Eric REMACLE
(IEE-ULB, Dir. REPI-Pôle Bernheim Paix & Citoyenneté)
Lessons learned from Crisis in Kosovo, Afghanistan and Georgia.
Discussant
Mr. Tatsuya MACHIDA,
(First Secretary of the Mission of Japan to the EU)
- 15:45-16:15** **Coffee Break**
- 16:15-18:30** **Partnership on Transnational Issues -**
Chair: Pr. T. Kikuchi (Aoyama-Gakuin University)
Pr. Hiroshi OHTA (Waseda University)
Environmental Issues after the G-8
EU Commission Policy-maker
(DG Environment)- TBC
M. Henri DELANGHE (DG Research & KULeuven)
European Added Value and Subsidiarity: The division of Labour between the Union and the Member States in the Public Funding of Re-