



# "THE FUTURE OF EUROPEAN UNION-JAPAN RELATIONS: COMMON CHALLENGES, COMMON RESPONSES"

A colloquium organised by IFRAE

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FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AND SATURDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019
LOCATION: INALCO (ROOM 5.18)
(NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ORIENTAL STUDIES)
65 rue des Grands Moulins, 75013 Paris

#### Day 1 Politics and economics – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June

9:15 arrival of participants (coffee)

9:45 opening speeches from Chairperson of EJARNs Executive Committee, **Marie Söderberg** and from **Guibourg Delamotte** 

### 10:00 opening interventions

**Yoshihiro Higuchi**, Minister, Head of the Communication and Culture service, Japan Embassy **Frédéric Grare**, Advisor, Indian Ocean, Policy Planning staff (Centre d'analyse et de prévision), French Ministry for European and Foreign Affairs (the French concept of Indo-Pacific) *With the attendance Christile Drulhe*, Head of East Asia Division, French Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

# 11:00 Panel 1: Politics and policies (Chair: Guibourg Delamotte)

**T.J. Pempel**, Professor, University of Berkeley: "Japan, Domestic Politics, and the Quad: A Regional Trade Order and Indo-Pacific Security"

**John Nillson-Wright**, Senior Lecturer, University of Cambridge (populisms in Asia) **Arnaud Grivaud**, Post-doctoral student, Paris-Diderot University, "Promoting Women in the Bureaucracy. A comparison between Japan, France and the United Kingdom."

# 12:15 Panel 2: Economic challenges compared (Chair: John Nillson-Wright)

**Sébastien Lechevalier**, Professor (directeur d'études), EHESS: "Work Style Reform, Productivity Improvement, and Well-being at Work. A French-Japanese perspective"

**Patrick Ström**, Senior lecturer, Head of Department, Associate Professor, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, "Japanese FDI in Sweden – implications of EU-Japan economic relationship and technology upgrading"

13:00-14:30 lunch break (coffee from 14:00)

# 14:30 Panel 3: International cooperation (Chair: Axel Berkofsky)

Marie Söderberg, Professor, Stockholm School of Economics, "Japan's Cooperation with the EU in the Nexus of Development and Security"

**Annette Skovsted-Hansen**, Professor, School of Culture and Society, Aarhus University "Japanese involvement in the capacity building of Tema Port in Ghana"

**Céline Pajon**, Research Fellow, Ifri: "The Franco-Japanese partnership in Africa, four years after the Joint Action Plan"

16:00-16:30 Round-table discussion on politics and economics (Chair: Ian Neary)

(EJARN General Assembly – for EJARN members)

#### Day 2 Foreign relations and security – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June

Arrival from 9:40 (coffee)

## 10:00 Opening talks

Roland Honekamp, Desk Officer Japan, European External Action Service

**Fabien Fieschi**, French MoFA, General directorate on administration and modernization of the Ministry; formerly served as the French embassy's First secretary and as Minister counsellor of the EU Delegation in Tokyo.

**Taguchi Seichiro/Masaki Yasushi or other representative(TBC),** Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Policy Division

# <u>10:40 Panel 1: EU-Japan economic and strategic partnership agreement: how to proceed and what to expect from here? (Chair: Marie Söderberg)</u>

**Kumiko Haba**, Professor, Aoyama gakuin, "Will the EU-Japan EPA drive world trade after BREXIT?" **Tsuyoshi Kawasaki**, Political Science Department, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, Canada "Grand Strategy and Europe-Japan Cooperation"

Marylène Gervais, PhD applicant, Paris Panthéon-Assas, "The European Union and Japan as normative powers: from rule-takers to rule-shapers?"

# 11:40-13:00 Panel 2: Japanese and European defence policies (Chair: Axel Berkofsky)

**Yoshihide Soeya**, Professor, Keiô University, "Constitutional Revision Going Astray: Article Nine and Security Policy"

**Christopher W. Hughes**, Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Education), Professor of International Politics and Japanese Studies, University of Warwick, "Hiding in Plain Sight? Japan's Militarization of Space and Challenges to the Yoshida Doctrine"

**Marianne Péron-Doise**, Research Fellow, IRSEM, "EU and Japan maritime cooperation in the Indian Ocean"

**Paul O'Shea**, PhD, Assistant Professor, Lund University: "The United States-Japan Alliance and the Role of the US Marines in Okinawa in Extended Deterrence"

13:00-14:30: lunch break (coffee from 14:00)

### 14:00-15:40 Panel 3: Security issues in East Asia (Chair: Guibourg Delamotte)

Jeffrey Hornung, Rand Corp. (Washington DC), "Japan's leadership in the international system"
Kimie Hara, Professor, University of Waterloo, "Japan and the West: Back to the Future in East Asia"
Paul Midford, PhD, Professor, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, "Overcoming
Security Isolationism: Japan's Promotion of East Asian Security Multilateralism Since 1991"
Axel Berkofsky, Professor, University of Pavia, "Quality Infrastructure"

15:40- approx.16:00 Round-table discussion on Defense and IR (Chair: Christopher Hughes).