



Scandinavia Japan Sasakawa Foundation (SJSF)
Japanese Studies Networking Conference
**“Contemporary Japanese Studies in the Nordics:
Taking stock and looking forward”**
November 20-22, 2024
at European Institute of Japanese Studies,
Stockholm School of Economics

Draft Conference Program

November 20, Wednesday: Arrival in Stockholm

Arrival of conference participants

Check-in at Hotel Birger Jarl, Tulegatan 8, Stockholm

18:00 – 21:00 **Welcome Dinner**

Venue: Atrium, Stockholm School of Economics, Sveavägen 65,
Stockholm

November 21, Thursday: Conference Day 1

Venue: Stockholm School of Economics, Sveavägen 65, Stockholm

08:30 – 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 09:30 **Welcome speeches**

Venue: Aulan, Stockholm School of Economics

Dr. Patrik Ström, Director, European Institute of Japanese Studies, Stockholm School of Economics

Dr. Sofie Roy, Senior Executive Vice President, Stockholm School of Economics

H. E. Mr. Masaki Noke, Ambassador, Embassy of Japan in Sweden

Dr. h.c. Elisabeth Nilsson, Chairperson, Scandinavia-Japan Sasakawa Foundation

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09:30 – 11:00 **Keynote speech I**

Professor Emeritus Naoyuki Yoshino, Keio University

“Green Finance”

11:00 – 11:15 **Coffee Break**

11:15 – 12:00 **Keynote speech II**

“Development of Japanese Studies in the Nordics”

Professor Emeritus Marie Söderberg, European Institute of Japanese Studies

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

Venue: Atrium, Stockholm School of Economics

13:00 – 14:30 **Session I: Presentations**

Venue: Room Ragnar, Stockholm School of Economics

Patrik Ström, European Institute of Japanese Studies, Stockholm School of Economics

“Digitalization and green economy transition in EU and Japan: Smart Cities and Society 5.0 within the changing geopolitical context”

Kristín Ingvarsdóttir, University of Iceland

“Icelandic-Japanese whaling relations” or “Japan's energy policies in the 1950s with focus on nuclear energy”

Kamilla Szczepanska, University of Turku

“Japan and its support for Ukraine: focusing on ODA and humanitarian aid in the post 2022 environment”

14:30 – 15:00 Coffee Break

Venue: Atrium, Stockholm School of Economics

15:00 – 16:00 **Session II: Presentations**

Venue: Room Ragnar, Stockholm School of Economics

Oshie Nishimura-Sahi, University of Tampere

“How popular artwork touching upon global challenges in the Anthropocene”

Lixin Lu, European Institute of Japanese Studies and Department of Marketing and Strategy, Stockholm School of Economics

Frans Autio, University of Helsinki

“History of Japanese car design, specifically on Toyota Motors and their two concept cars for camping and outdoor activities in early 1970s”

Jonathan Puntervold, University of Gothenburg

“Role of English as an academic lingua franca through the perspective of Japanese intellectual history”

17:00 – 18:00 **National Museum – Guided Tour**

Venue: Nationalmuseum, Södra Blasieholmshamnen 2, Stockholm

18:00 – 21:00 **Conference Dinner**

Venue: Restaurang Nationalmuseum, Södra Blasieholmshamnen 2, Stockholm

November 22, Friday: Conference Day 2

Venue: Stockholm School of Economics, Sveavägen 65, Stockholm

09:00 – 10:30 **Session III: Presentations**

Venue: Room Ragnar, Stockholm School of Economics

Bunji Izumi, Norwegian University of Science and Technology NTNU (online)

“Method using structural engineering concept to enhance architectural aesthetics”

Sara Park, University of Helsinki (online)

Misuzu Shimotori, University of Bergen

“The language learning of elderly people in Japan and Norway: Motivation and influencing factors”

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

Venue: Atrium, Stockholm School of Economics

11:00 – 12:30 **Session IV: Presentations**

Venue: Room Ragnar, Stockholm School of Economics

Klara Melin, European Institute of Japanese Studies, Stockholm School of Economics and Stockholm University

Amanda Brødsgaard, University of Copenhagen

Natsumi Goto, Lund University

Abigayil Blandon, Stockholm University

“What does ‘sustainable seafood’ mean to seafood system actors in Japan and Sweden?”

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch
Venue: Atrium, Stockholm School of Economics

13:30 – 15:00 **Roundtable Discussion and Concluding Remarks**
Venue: Room Ragnar, Stockholm School of Economics

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15:00 – 15:30 Coffee Break
Venue: Atrium, Stockholm School of Economics

15:30 – 17:00 **Company visit**

18:00 - **Farewell Dinner**
Venue: TBC