

Date: 21-23, March 2015

Venue: Conference Room, Kojima Hall, University of Tokyo

**“Public Goods Provision in the Early Modern Economy:
Role of the Regional Society in Japan, China and Europe”**

21st March 2015

Registration: 9:15 at Conference Room, Kojima Hall

Session I 9:30-12:00

Public Finance and Regional Society in Early Modern Japan

Chair: R. Bin Wong (University of California, LA)

- 1) Masayuki Tanimoto (University of Tokyo) 9:30-10:25
“Introduction to the workshop”
“From ‘feudal’ lords to local notables: changing patterns of public goods provision from 17th to 19th century Japan”
- 2) Ken’ichiro Aratake (Tohoku University) 10:25-11:05
“Regional societies and domain finances in early modern Japan”

Break 11:05-11:20

- 3) Kazuho Sakai (University of Tokyo) 11:20-12:00
” The role of outsourced lords' finance for regional society”

Lunch 12:00-13:00

Session II 13:00-15:55

Coping with Poverty and Famine

Chair: Heinrich Kaak (University of Potsdam)

- 1) Mitsuo Kinoshita (Nara University) 13:00-13:40
“Targetism, sanction and village autonomy in poor relief: a comparative study of early modern rural Japan and England”

- 2) Jonathan Healey (University of Oxford) 13:40-14:20
“Coping with risk: the first century of the English Old Poor Law”
- 3) Fabian Drixler (Yale University) 14:20-15:00
“The Dark Side of Solidarity? Grain Embargoes and the Geography of Hunger in Tokugawa Japan”

Break 15:00-15:15

- 4) R. Bin Wong (University of California, LA) 15:15-15:55
“Early modern Chinese political economy: combatting famine and poverty”

Discussion on Session I and II 15:55-17:55

Chair: Heinrich Kaak (University of Potsdam)

Discussant:

Eisaku Ide (Keio University)

Linda Grove (Sophia University, Emeritus Professor)

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Session III 9:30-12:25, 13:25-15:10
Building the Infrastructure

Chair: Masayuki Tanimoto (University of Tokyo)

- 1) Heinrich Kaak (University of Potsdam) 9:30-10:10
“Rulers and ruled in flood protection in the 18th century: dike construction and maintenance on the Oder, Netze and Warthe”
- 2) Jun’ichi Kanzaka (Soka University) 10:10-10:50
“The development of civil engineering projects and the change of *kokudaka* in Tokugawa Japan”

Break 10:50-11:05

- 3) Toyo’o Yoshimura (Kumamoto University, Emeritus Professor) 11:05-11:45
“A comprehensive understanding of the history of hydraulic engineering in early-modern Japan”
- 4) Koji Yamamoto (University of Cambridge) 11:45-12:25
“River navigation schemes in England before the age of canals”

Lunch 12:25-13:25

- 5) Takehiko To (Kumamoto University) 13:25-14:05
“Maintenance of infrastructure in the Jifu (Beijing metropolitan) region during the 18th century”

Discussion on session III 14:05-15:10

Discussant: Kojiro Taguchi (Osaka University)

Break 15:10-15:25

Session IV 15:25-18:25
Managing the Forest

Chair: Mitsuo Kinoshita (Nara University)

- 1) Takashi Iida (Keio University) 15:25-16:05
“Lords’ forestry for people’s basic needs (*Notdurft*)
: evidence from Prussia’s royal forests during the 18th and 19th centuries”
- 2) Takeshi Aoki (Keio University) 16:05-16:45
“The role of villagers in forest management: cases from state forestry in modern Japan”
- 3) Yoshiyuki Aihara (Toyo-Bunko) 16:45-17:25
“Forests as commons in early modern China: an analysis of legal cases”

Discussion on session IV 17:25-18:25

Discussant: Osamu Saito (Hitotsubashi University, Emeritus Professor)

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Session V 9:30-12:00

**Towards a Comparative History of Public Goods Provision:
State, Domain and Regional Society**

Chair: Mitsuo Kinoshita (Nara University)

Short presentations 9:30-10:30

Masayuki Tanimoto (University of Tokyo)

Heinrich Kaak (University of Potsdam)

Takashi Iida (Keio University)

R. Bin Wong (University of California, LA)

Break 10:30-10:45

General discussion 10:45-12:00