The European Forum on Korean-Japanese History

"Circuits of Knowledge, Goods, and People"

International Workshop

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Established in March 2012, the European Forum on Korean-Japanese History aims to promote dialogue between historians of Korea and Japan in Europe,. The Forum is an independent body supported by the National Institute for Korean History. Its initial objective is to organize biennial workshops bringing together historians of Japan and Korea to exchange views on subjects of mutual relevance and interest.

The Forum functions as a platform where the tangled histories of Korea and Japan are critically debated, common framing concepts are questioned, source materials are reread and untapped archival materials mobilized. As the professional field is still largely defined by national labels, the Forum probes how these labels as ordering principles that reproduce contemporary antagonisms in both research and teaching. For too long a historiography based on the nation-state has often made it difficult to engage in relevant dialogues. Now, theoretical and methodological developments in historiography allow the writing of history beyond the nation-state and open up new fields of research.

For this year’s workshop, we seek papers that interrogate the circuits of knowledge, goods, and people between the two countries. We welcome submissions in English on topics ranging from religion, identity, and textual production to migration, trade, and war. The goal is to gather research on concrete encounters within such circuits in order to reflect upon accepted categories and political boundaries and to discuss how forms of praxis not only reaffirm and replicate existing categories and boundaries but also, under specific conditions, open up spaces for different contextual readings and understandings. We welcome contributions irrespective of period, hoping to strike a balance between "modernists" and "premodernists."

**Abstracts** (max. 600 words and a short bio) can be sent to the workshop organizer, Michael Shin ([mds71@cam.ac.uk](mailto:k.de.ceuster@hum.leidenuniv.nl)) **before 20 July 2015**. Presenters will be notified of acceptance in the course of the summer. Full papers are due 1 Nov 2015. Pending funding, all costs will be covered.

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