

Enemy Encounters in East Asia

A Webinar Series Organized by

Research Training Group “Ambivalent Enmity: Dynamics of Antagonism in Asia, Europe, and the Middle East”

Webinar Program 2025-2026: Second Semester (March-July)

- Unless otherwise noted, webinars take place on Thursdays via Zoom. The time zone corresponds to that of Heidelberg*.
- Unless otherwise noted in the schedule, webinars will be held in English.
- Some seminar presentations will be recorded. This will be made known when the individual talk is advertised, and the Zoom invitation is sent.
- If you would like to attend the webinars, please contact barend.noordam@hcts.uni-heidelberg.de for details.

March 26, 3 pm, “Chinese Merchants and Settlers: The Third Force in the Contest for Supremacy in Mainland Southeast Asia, 1550-1850”

Xing Hang (Professor, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University)

April 16, 4 pm, “Ambivalent Enmities Across the Strait: Professional Identity and Enemization within Taiwan’s Officer Corps”

Sze Woon Miller (PhD Candidate, King’s College London)

May 28, 4 pm, “Warfare in the Age of Large-scale Piracy: Tactics and Combat Techniques of Japanese Pirates in Korea and China 1350-1419”

Damien Peladan (Maître de conférences, Université Bordeaux Montaigne)

June 18, 4 pm, “Gender, Emotion, and Enmity in the Late Qing”

James Bonk (Visiting Assistant Professor, The College of Wooster)

July 9, 9 am, “Dealing with Enemies in Ancient China: The Mohist Critique of Aggressive Wars”

Jana Rošker (Professor, University of Ljubljana)

*Please remember that Summer Time (CEST) in Heidelberg ends at 3 am on October 26th, 2025. It restarts on March 29th, 2026 at 2 am.