



Academic links between Estonia and Japan – the 20th anniversary of cooperation between ETAG and JSPS

18 May at 10:30–16:00 at Tallinn University

AGENDA

10:30–11:00 Registration and welcome coffee

11:00–12:30

- Introduction by **Prof. Anu Noorma**, Director General of the Estonian Research Council
- Opening words by **H.E Mr Yukihiko Matsumura**, Ambassador of Japan to Estonia
- Towards richer academic links between Estonia and Japan (**Prof. Kazuyuki Kuroda**, Director of JSPS Stockholm Office)
- Overview of 20 y of cooperation between ETAG and JSPS (**Katrin Saar**, adviser at ETAG)
- Estonia and Japan joined by research (**Prof. and Academician Jaak Aaviksoo**)
- A view on the past, present, and future of “small states” studies (**Prof. Hiromi Komori**, Waseda University)
- The research of developmental biology in Estonia and beyond (**Prof. Osamu Shimmi**, University of Tartu)

12:30–13:30 Lunch

13:30–15:00

- Impact of the JSPS postdoctoral fellowship on research (**Assoc. Prof. Erkki Karo**, Tallinn University of Technology, JSPS postdoctoral fellow 2015)
- Research cooperation in Japanese Studies at Tallinn University (**Dr. Alari Allik**, Assoc. Prof. of Japanese Studies at Tallinn University)
- Cooperation with Japan at the University of Tartu: what has been done and what are the future perspectives? (**Dr. Elo Süld**, Head of University of Tartu Asia Centre)
- Between Hiroshima and Sapporo: success in research despite the pandemic (**Dr. Uku Tooming**, University of Tartu, JSPS postdoctoral fellow 2019)

15:00–16:00 Reception