

Past Winners of Asia Pacific Research Prize

◇2002

Ken Miichi (Received a Ph.D. in Political Science from Kobe University in 2002)

Title of Dissertation **“Intellectual Network and Ideology in Indonesia:
Islamic Left in Comparison”**

Chen Tien-Shi (Received a Ph.D. in International Political Economy from the University of
Tsukuba in 2000)

Title of Dissertation **“The Networks and Identities of Chinese Entrepreneurs”**

◇2003

Waka Aoyama (Received a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Tokyo in 2002)

Title of Dissertation **“The Adaptive Process of the Badjaos in Davao City:
Economic Standard of Living and Ethnic Identity”**

Yumi Sugahara (Received a Ph.D. from Tokyo University of Foreign Studies in 2002)

Title of Dissertation **“Religious Movements in Central Java in the Middle of the 19th
Century: A Study of Discourses about the Ahmad Rifa'i Movement”**

Bao Muping (Received a Ph.D. in Engineering from the University of Tokyo in 2003)

Title of Dissertation **“Historical Research on Architecture and Urbanization of Hohhot in
the Mongolia (1723-1959)-----Cross Cultural Transfer in the Sphere
of Peripheral Architectural Culture”**

“Commendation”

Ryota Ishikawa (Received a Ph.D. in Literature from Osaka University in 2003)

Title of Dissertation **“Formation of Intra-Asian Trade in Modern Korea”**

Deng Yingwen (Received a Ph.D. from Tokyo University of Foreign Studies in 2002)

Title of Dissertation **“The economic relation between China and Vietnam in 90s : Focus
on border trade”**

◇2004

Takeshi Nakajima (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from Kyoto University in 2004)

Title of Dissertation **“Hindu Nationalist Movement in Contemporary India”**

Daesong Hyun (Received a Ph.D. in Law from the University of Tokyo in 2004)

Title of Dissertation **“Postwar Korea-Japan Relationship and Territorial Dispute:
Discourse of the Tokdo Problem and its Image in Korea”**

“Commendation”

Hiroyuki Yamamoto (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from the University of Tokyo in 2003)

Title of Dissertation **“The Origins of Mutually Acknowledged Nationalisms in British
North Borneo (Sabah)”**

◇2005

Masahiro Inoguchi (Received a Ph.D. in Economics from Hitotsubashi University in 2004)

Title of Dissertation **“Monetary Policy and Financial System in East Asia before and after the Crisis : Effective and Efficient Policy in Developing Countries”**

“Commendation”

Le Jungie (Received a Ph.D. in Economics from Kwansai Gakuin University in 2005)

Title of Dissertation **“A Quantitative Analysis of Rural Labor Markets of the Coastal Region in China”**

◇2006

Masato Hiwatari (Received a Ph.D. in Arts and Sciences from the University of Tokyo in 2006)

Title of Dissertation **“Functions and Roles of the Customary Economy in Uzbekistan : Community-based Structure of a Mahalla with Social Ties in Andijan”**

“Commendation”

Rintaro Ono (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from Sophia University in 2006)

Title of Dissertation **“Marine Exploitations and Subsistence Strategies in the Celebes Sea: An Ethno-Archaeological Approach for Area Studies”**

Subin Xu (Received a Ph.D. in Engineering from the University of Tokyo in 2005)

Title of Dissertation **“The Modernization of the City and Architecture in China and its Relationship to Japan”**

◇2007

Yoshihiro Nakanishi(Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from Kyoto University in 2007)

Title of Dissertation **“Civil-Military Relations in Ne Win's Burma, 1962-1988”**

Otmazgin Nissim (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from Kyoto University in 2007)

Title of Dissertation **“Regionalizing Culture: The Political Economy of Japanese Culture in East and Southeast Asia, 1988-2005”**

“Commendation”

Tanaki Endo (Received a Ph.D. in Economics from Kyoto University in 2007)

Title of Dissertation **“Macro Restructuring and Informal Economy in Bangkok in the Era of Globalization”**

◇2008

Sayuri Inoue (Received a Ph.D. in Arts from Tokyo University of Foreign Studies in 2007)

Title of Dissertation **“The Formation of Genre in Burmese Classical Song-with Special Reference to U Sa's Creation between the 18th and the 19th Centuries-”**

Setsuko Sonoda (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from the University of Tokyo in 2007)

Title of Dissertation **“A Historical Study of International Migration in the Nineteenth Century: Overseas Chinese in the Americas and Their Relationships with China”**

◇2009

Lee Dong Jun (Received a Ph.D. in Law from Tohoku University in 2008)
Title of Dissertation **"Sino-American Rapprochement and the Transformation of the Korean Divided System, 1969-1975"**

“Commendation”

Nobu Iwatani (Received a Ph.D. in Law from Keio University in 2008)
Title of Dissertation **"A Study of the Kuomintang’s Tutelary Regime in Republican China"**

Lin Chu-Mei (Received a Ph.D. from Hitotsubashi University in 2007)
Title of Dissertation **"In Search of the Meaning of ‘Nativist Education’ and Identity in Taiwan"**

◇2010

Shingo Yoshida (Received a Ph.D. in Law from Keio University in 2010)
Title of Dissertation **"Institutionalization of the Japan-U.S. Alliance: 1963-1978"**

Junko Yano (Received a Ph.D. from Hitotsubashi University in 2009)
Title of Dissertation **"National Formation and Language Nationalism in Laos: Form the Colonial Period to the Socialist Revolution (1893-1975)"**

YI Ping (Received an L.L.D. degree from the University of Tokyo in 2009)
Title of Dissertation **"Between War and Peace-The "Just War" concept and its consequences during the early period of international law research in Japan"**

“Commendation”

Youn-Soo Cho (Received a Ph.D. in Law from Tohoku University in 2008)
Title of Dissertation **"International Politic of the Korean-Japanese Fishery Negotiation-Decolonization of Sea Order and mediation of 'National Interests'"**

◇2011

Masafumi Asada (Received a Ph.D. from Hokkaido University in 2011)
Title of Dissertation **"Management History of the Chinese Eastern Railway: Russia and Manchuria, 1896–1935"**

Masayuki Ueno (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from the University of Tokyo in 2010)
Title of Dissertation **"‘Religious Privileges’ and ‘Political Rights’ of the Non-Muslims in the Tanzimat-Period Ottoman Empire: The Case of the Armenian Community"**

◇2012

Myungsoo KIM (Received a Ph.D. in Economics from Keio University in 2010)
Title of Dissertation **"Joseon's Entrepreneur and Business World During Modern Japan's Rule Over Korea: A Study on Sangryong Han's Business Activities and Joseon Business Club"**

◇2013

Arihiro Minoo (Received a Ph.D. in Literature from Waseda University in 2013)

Title of Dissertation **“The anthropological study of the impact of fair trade on coffee farmers: a case study of the coffee farmers’ villages in the Bolaven plateau of southern Laos”**

Almas (Received a Ph.D. from Kobe University in 2013)

Title of Dissertation **“A Study about the Ownership of Farmlands and its Contracts in Inner Mongolia during Manchu Qing Period: Cases in Guihuacheng Tümed Banner”**

“Commendation”

Jing Liu (Received a Ph.D. in International Development from Nagoya University in 2013)

Title of Dissertation **“The Development of Inequality in Public School Admission: Public Discourses on Ze Xiao and Practices in Urban China”**

Dalaibuyan Byambajav (Received a Ph.D. in Sociology from Hokkaido University in 2012)

Title of Dissertation **“Post-Socialist Transition and Civil Society in Mongolia”**

◇2014

Takeshi Aida (Received a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Tokyo in 2014)

Title of Dissertation **“Irrigation, Community, and Poverty”**

“Commendation”

Toshiyuki Uwano (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from the University of Tokyo in 2014)

Title of Dissertation **“The Accessibility for People with Disabilities in the Civil Society of Vietnam: A Comparison with the Case of Public Transportation in Beijing, Bangkok, and Taipei”**

Atsushi Kobayashi (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from Kyoto University in 2014)

Title of Dissertation **“Development of Intra-Southeast Asian Trade in the Nineteenth Century: With Reference to the Role of Singapore”**

◇2015

Noriyuki Osada (Received a Ph.D. in Literature from the University of Tokyo in 2013)

Title of Dissertation **“From an Indian City to the Capital of Burma: The Emerging State Border in Colonial Rangoon, c.1850-1930”**

“Commendation”

Shinya Ikeda (Received a Ph.D. in Agriculture from Tohoku University in 2015)

Title of Dissertation **“Development of the Traditional Marketing of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables under the Economic Growth: Collecting and Wholesaling towards Metropolises in Java”**

Li Haixun (Received a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Tokyo in 2015)

Title of Dissertation **“Development of Rice Cultivation in Northeast China”**

◇2016

Ryuiu Satomi (Received a Ph.D. from the University of Tokyo in 2014)

Title of Dissertation **“Our Life That Can Be Otherwise: An Ethnography of the Present-day Maritime Dwelling among the Asi or Lau in North Malaita, Solomon Islands”**

“Commendation”

Ryosuke Kuramoto (Received a Ph.D. from the University of Tokyo in 2013)

Title of Dissertation **“The Life of Monks in Myanmar’s Theravada Buddhist Society”**

So Hoshino (Received a Ph.D. in Arts from Taisho University in 2015)

Title of Dissertation **“Religious Activities of Brazilians in Japan and Immigrant Support by Churches in Japan: the Cases of Roman Catholicism, Pentecostalism and Spiritism”**

Hui Li (Received a Ph.D. in Engineering from the University of Tokyo in 2015)

Title of Dissertation **“The Design Theory and the Technology of Making Wooden Parts in Song Dynasty of China as Understood via *Yingzao Fashi*”**

◇2017

“Commendation”

Havato Yukawa (Received a Ph.D. in Political Science from Kobe University in 2017)

Title of Dissertation **“US-Japan Relations in the 1930s: The Role of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the Pursuit of New Order in East Asia”**

◇2018

“Commendation”

Saki Kinnan (Received a Ph.D. in Human Sciences from Osaka University in 2018)

Title of Dissertation **“A Sociological Study on Multicultural Coexistence in a Contact Zone: Focusing on Social Practices around a *Gaikokujingakko* (Foreign School)”**

Miyoko Taniguchi (Received a Ph.D. in Human Security from the University of Tokyo in 2017)

Title of Dissertation **“Rethinking ‘Liberal Peacebuilding’ -The Case of Conflict, Violence, and Peace in Mindanao, the Philippines-”**

◇2019

“Commendation”

Huang Jie (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from Kyoto University in 2019)

Title of Dissertation “A Folkloric Study on ‘Senl’: Analysis of the Regional Social System of River Basins among the Dong (Kam) in Southern China”

Park Kyung-Min (Received a Ph.D. in Law from Keio University in 2016)

Title of Dissertation “Former Japanese Colonial Elites and the Origin of Japanese Foreign Policy towards Korea (ROK): Convergence of Perceptions and Responses to ‘the total property of colonial assets,’ 1945-1953”

Aleksandra Babovic (Received a Ph.D. in Political Science from Kobe University in 2018)

Title of Dissertation “Justice on Trial: The International Military Tribunal for the Far East Reevaluated, 1945-1956”

◇2020

Noriko Unno (Received a Ph.D. from the University of Tokyo in 2017)

Title of Dissertation “Under Crescent and Full Moons: Contradiction and Coherence of Muslims in Beijing 1906–1913”

Masayoshi Okabe (Received a Ph.D. in Human Security Studies from the University of Tokyo in 2019)

Title of Dissertation “Economic Analyses of the ‘Reversed Gender Disparity’ in Education and Development in the Philippines”

“Commendation”

Manami Ueno (Received a Ph.D. from the University of Tokyo in 2020)

Title of Dissertation “The Policies toward Religious Education in the Republic of Turkey from the 1940s to the 1970s: From the Reintroduction of Religious Education to its Becoming a Compulsory Course”

Chie Sakurada (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from Kyoto University in 2020)

Title of Dissertation “Becoming the Magnificent: Royal Visits and Filmmaking of King Bhumibol”

◇2021

Miho Okada (Received a Ph.D. in Security Studies from National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education in 2021)

Title of Dissertation “Japan-Soviet Normalization Talks Re-examined: Yalta Agreement and Khrushchev’s Double Bind”

“Commendation”

Yu Haichun (Received a Ph.D. in Journalism from Waseda University in 2021)

Title of Dissertation “The Multi-layered Nature of Media Control under the Chinese Authoritarian System: Comparative Analysis of Local Media and the Media System in China Today”

Kei Nagaoka (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from Kyoto University in 2019)

Title of Dissertation “Institutionalization of Tibetan Medicine and Medical Treatment in Contemporary Himalayas: An Ethnography of Everyday Life and Illness in Tawang, Northeast India”

Seitaro Namba (Received a Ph.D. from Tokyo University of Foreign Studies in 2020)

Title of Dissertation “The Conflict between Socialism and Neutralism in Laos: The Liberated Zone's Plurality in the Most Peripheral Area of the Socialist Camp during the Détente Era (1945-1975)”

◇2022

Toru Otani (Received a Ph.D. from Tohoku University in 2022)

Title of Dissertation “Study of Wuchang Gui : Process of Transition from Monster to God”

Rajiaben (Received a Ph.D. from SOKENDAI, the Graduate University for Advanced Studies in 2022)

Title of Dissertation “An Anthropological Study on the Transformation of Village Society and Life of Faith in Tibetan Amdo Region: A Case Study of BonSkor, Guinan County, Hainan Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture, Qinghai Province, China”

“Commendation”

Le Wang (Received a Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Information Studies from the University of Tokyo in 2021)

Title of Dissertation “A Media Historical Study of Pacification and Propaganda Activities in Rural Areas of Manchukuo”

◇2023

Hsi-chia Huang (Received a Ph.D. in Law from the University of Tokyo in 2023)

Title of Dissertation **“Central-Local Relations in Contemporary China Revisited: From the Perspective of Regional Administrative Institutions Bridging Centralization and Decentralization”**

“Commendation”

Kritdikorn Wongswangpanich (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from Kyoto University in 2022)

Title of Dissertation **“Sick Kingdom: The Role and Politics of Thai Health Care in the Domination of Bhumibol’s Narrative”**

Nguyen Thi Le (Received a Ph.D. in Area Studies from Kyoto University in 2020)

Title of Dissertation **“Childbirth among Ethnic Minority People in Northern Vietnam: Choice and Agency in the Hmong Case”**