

The 24th Asia Pacific Research Prize

—Application Outline—

The Asia Pacific Forum, Awaji Conference Japan, which aims to create and spread a “new Asia Pacific vision” of symbiosis among the diverse cultures of the Asia Pacific region, established the Asia Pacific Research Prize to reward outstanding dissertations in the field of humanities or social sciences relating to the Asia Pacific region. Applications for the 24th Asia Pacific Research Prize are invited under the following conditions:

- Organizer
Asia Pacific Forum, Awaji Conference Japan
- Support
The Asahi Shimbun
- Eligibility
Japanese, international students and others who have officially enrolled in a post-graduate course at a Japanese graduate school and have been conferred a doctorate from such institution after March 2020. A letter of recommendation is required from the advisor of the graduate school.
- Dissertation
 1. The doctoral dissertation should detail research in the humanities or social sciences that contributes to the realization of a “multicultural symbiotic society” in the Asia Pacific region.
 2. Dissertations submitted in previous years are not acceptable.
- Application Deadline
April 18, 2025
- Application Documents (non-returnable)

All documents 1. and 2.1. to 2.4. listed below must arrive by Friday April 18, 2025: Submitting in person is not acceptable.

 1. Prescribed Letter of Recommendation (downloadable from the website shown below)
 2. Supplementary documents (either in Japanese or English)

Documents 2.1. to 2.3. must be submitted as A4 sized-paper copies and 2.4. in an electronic medium:

 - 2.1. Copy of the dissertation (either in sheets or bound)
 - 2.2. Outline of the dissertation (one page; single-sided printing)
 - 2.3. Summary of the outline (120-word summary of the outline of the dissertation mentioned above)
 - 2.4. Recording medium such as a CD-ROM or USB flash drive containing PDF data of 2.1. to 2.3. shown above. Each document must be saved as an individual PDF file under the applicant’s surname, e.g. “SMITH dissertation.pdf”.

* If your dissertation has been published, submit a copy of the book. It will be returned afterwards.

Note that the application may not be accepted if any of the application documents are missing or incomplete.

- Selection of Prizewinners

The selection committee of the Asia Pacific Research Prize will review the dissertations to select prizewinners.

- Number of Prizewinners and Prize Details

1. Number of prizewinners: Approximately two

2. Details of prize

Main Prize: Prize certificate and a prize of 1,000,000 yen

- Announcement and Notification of the Results

1. The name of the prizewinners will be announced in July 2025. (tentative)

2. The result of the selection will be notified in writing.

3. The outline of the prizewinning dissertations will be published in our annual report of the Awaji Conference.

- Awards Ceremony

To be held during the Asia Pacific Forum, Awaji Conference Japan, July 31 - August 1, 2025

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