

Third Call for Papers and Participants

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The International Geographical Union (IGU) 2013 Kyoto Regional Conference (KRC) will be held on August 4-9, 2013 at Kyoto International Conference Center, Kyoto, Japan. The IGU Commission on Political Geography (CPG) will organize paper sessions and a post-conference field trip. The deadline for abstract submission is **now extended to February 4, 2013**. For the information about the KRC, please look at http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/

I. Main Conference Sessions at Kyoto

CPG will organize the following eight sessions. CPG session proposals can be found at:

http://oguchaylab.csis.u-tokyo.ac.jp/IGU2013/session_proposals.html#c12.33

- 1. Re-theorizing territory, sovereignty, and space
- 2. New frontiers in border studies
- 3. Migrations and the spatial reconceptualisation of citizenship
- 4. Localizing social movement in a globalizing world
- 5. Militarization and de-militarization from a comparative perspective (connected to the themes of the post-conference field trip to Okinawa shown below)
- 6. Critical perspectives on political geography
- 7. Contemporary political geography and geopolitics in Asia
- 8. Contemporary political geography implications for inner seas cooperation and regional change [Joint session with the Commission on Mediterranean Basin]

11. Post-Conference Field Trip to Okinawa

After the main Conference, the field trip to Okinawa will be organized on August 10-12. The trip will focus on the militarization and demilitarization of the

semi-tropical island as a site for US military presence in the western Pacific (see http://www.pref.okinawa.jp/site/chijiko/kichitai/25185.html). The itinerary is as follows:

Day 1 (August 10): The Militarization of the Okinawa Island

Move from Kyoto to the Itami Airport by airport limousine bus (arranged by participants themselves). Arrive at the Naha Airport, Okinawa. Visit to the USMC Futenma Air Station, the USAF Kadena Air Base, and the military base town of Koza with an optional night tour in the town.

Please note that the trip will leave Naha at 2pm, meaning that participants need to arrive in Naha beforehand by taking a domestic flight from Itami or Kansai. There are usually two flights to Naha from Itami in the morning: one is run by ANA which is part of Star Alliance; the other is by JAL which is part of One World. You can include one of these flights in your international trip. It takes about one hour from downtown Kyoto to Itam by limousine bus. You can find its timetable at: http://www.okkbus.co.jp/en/timetable/itm/f_kyt.html

There are more flights to Naha from the Kansai Airport including LCCs. In this case, you can take an airport shuttle train (Haruka) from the Kyoto Station, but it takes longer and costs more. For Haruka's timetable, please look at: http://www.westjr.co.jp/global/en/travel-information/timetable/

Day 2 (August 11): The De-militalization of the Island

Visit to "American Village" (Americanized resort and shopping complex), Yomitan Village (plans for de-militarization), Kin Town (another military base town), and Henoko (oppositional movement against militarization). Dinner at American Village.

Day 3 (August 12):

Move back to Naha (for sightseeing and/or returning flight). We will arrive at the Naha Airport around 8:30am so that participants can take a connecting flight to Kansai or Narita.

The maximum number of participants will be 20. The estimated total cost for the

trip is approximately 35,000 yen without airfare, which can be paid by credit card. Flights to/from Okinawa (Naha) need to be arranged by participants themselves as part of their international round trip to Japan. If you are interested in participating in the trip, please email the following information (express of interest) to Takashi Yamazaki <yamataka@lit.osaka-cu.ac.jp>. The further information about the trip will be emailed back to you when early registration for the conference closes (April 10, 2013).

Name:

Email address:

Number of accompanying persons and their names:

Title of conference presentation:

Dietary or other special requirements:

For those who have any questions about the CPG sessions and field trip, please contact Takashi Yamazaki yamataka@lit.osala-cu.ac.jp