International Workshop on the Research of Chinese Philosophy in Japan and Taiwan: With Critical Retrospections and Future Prospects

「日本和台灣的中國哲學研究之回顧與前景」國際學術研討會
「日本と台灣における中国哲学研究の回顧と展望」国際学術シンポジウム

Dates: 20-21 March 2010
Place: Yenching Common Room, 2 Divinity Avenue

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The Purpose of the Workshop

In the last several years, scholars in many fields have benefited from a worldwide exchange of research, and have begun to share their new findings and novel ideas with their colleagues in other countries. Yet the field of Chinese philosophy in East Asia has unfortunately lagged behind in this respect. Over the past few decades, scholars in this field have failed to take advantage of the resources offered them by the emerging global research environment, and have become more insular than ever before. This workshop aims to respond to this situation by providing Western scholars with comprehensive yet critical accounts of research on Chinese philosophy in Japan and Taiwan in four major research fields: early Chinese philosophy, Song-Ming Neo-Confucianism, Buddhist philosophy, and Contemporary Neo-Confucianism. The workshop will be momentous for Japanese scholarly circles in this area because it will be the first such workshop in which six Japanese scholars on Chinese philosophy will all present papers in English.
Program

First Day (Saturday, 20 March 2010)

10:00-10:10 Opening remarks from the Conference Organizers

10:10-12:10
Session One
Inquiry into Mind-Body Relationship in Chinese Philosophical Tradition
Chair and Commentator: James Robson, Harvard University

Presenter (1): Masami Tateno, Nihon University, Japan
Myth in the Tao: Mind-body and Language in Chuang-ţsu’s Tao

Presenter (2): Yao-ming Tsai, National Taiwan University, Taiwan
A Reflection on Buddhist Approaches to the Mind-Body Relationship

12:10-13:20 Lunch break:

13:20-14:20 Session Two
Role of Language in Early Chinese Philosophical Discourse
Chair and Commentator: Michael Puett, Harvard University

Presenter: Wim De Reu, National Taiwan University, Taiwan
Paradoxical Language on Language: A Study in Early Daoist Meta-language

14:20-14:40 Coffee break

14:40-16:40 Session Three
New Materials with New Perspectives: Japanese Perspectives on Chinese Philosophy Research
Chair and Commentator: Kurtis Hagen, SUNY Plattsburgh

Presenter (1): Takayasu Suenaga, Kagoshima University, Japan
Presenter (2): Keiji Hashimoto, Hiroshima University, Japan
Action in Wang Yangming: Encounter and Co-existence

17:00-18:30 Reception

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Second Day (Sunday, 21 March 2010)

10:00-12:00 Session Four
Future Possibility and Limitation of Contemporary Neo-Confucian Research in the 21st Century
Chair and Commentator: Stephen C. Angle, Wesleyan University

Presenter (1): Bau-ruei Duh, National Taiwan University, Taiwan
Modern Neo-Confucianism: Its Influence at Taiwan and Theoretical Reflection

Presenter (2): Takahiro Nakajima, The University of Tokyo, Japan
New Confucianism in Modern Japan

12:00-12:10 Taking picture
12:10-13:20 Lunch break

13: 20-15:20 Session Five
Guideline for Life? or Texts for Philological Inquiry?: Japanese and Taiwanese State-of-the-field of Yangming Neo-Confucianism
Chair and Commentator: Peter K. Bol, Harvard University

Presenter (1): Masaya Mabuchi, Gakushuin University, Japan
Post-War Japanese Research of Wang Yangming Neo-Confucianism Past and Present

Presenter (2): Ping-tzu Chu, National Tsinghua University, Taiwan
The Future of Confucianism in Taiwan

15:20-15:40 Coffee break
15:40-16:40 Session Six
*Can Japanese Research on Chinese Philosophy Survive 21st Century?*
Chair and Commentator: **Takahiro Nakajima, The University of Tokyo, Japan**

**Presenter:** **Masayuki Sato, National Taiwan University, Taiwan**
*The Rise and Fall of Japanese Research on Chinese Philosophy: A Critical Look Back at Its Peculiarities*

16:40-17:40 Roundtable Discussion
Co-Chaired by **Masayuki Sato** and **Ping-tzu Chu**
Discussants: **Kurtis Hagen, Stephen Angle, Michael Puett**

19:00-21:00 Dinner
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A more detailed program is provided on the HYI website

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