Current relations between Japan and China and between Japan and South Korea are very delicate. However, it is also true that the recently accelerated economic globalization has led to greater interdependence among Japan, China, and South Korea, which culturally have a great deal in common. The three countries have also been increasing cooperation in efforts to solve common problems facing their respective regions, such as the ageing society and trade liberalization. Moreover, popular culture is increasingly shared across national boundaries, resulting in the burgeoning of a contemporary culture among the young generation.

To build the bright future of friendship and cooperation among the three countries whose relations are recognizably strained and to bring about stability in the East Asian region, it is essential that interested parties from the three countries share ideas and recent positive developments, discuss various issues and make recommendations to relevant bodies.

This symposium aims to bring together researchers in various fields from Japan, China, and South Korea to exchange ideas and the latest research findings and to explore ways to strengthen regional cooperation and further develop the East Asian region.

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# Program

### February 1

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## Session 1: Popular Culture and Cultural Foundation

### Middle Hall 1

Japanese, South Korean and Hong Kong pop cultures, such as TV programs, music and movies, are widely enjoyed in East Asia. The spread of satellite broadcasting and the rapid advances in IT technology have enabled simultaneous consumption of pop culture products. However, the spread of the phenomenon of Japanese, Korean and Hong Kong pop cultures is fairly limited in the East Asian region. Is there a relationship between the phenomenon of popular culture cutting across national boundaries in East Asia and traditional culture (Confucianism, Buddhism, Taoism etc.)? Could borderless exchange of pop culture in East Asia and the deepening of such exchanges lead to greater mutual understanding among Japanese, Chinese and Korean people and to the creation of a regional identity of being “East Asian”? Or, is culture powerless and helpless against political conflicts between nations or heightened nationalism?

[Coordinator]

Prof. Rhee Sang Il, Professor Emeritus, Sungkyunkwan University and Prof. Shun Ohno, Kyushu University Asia Center

### Morning

1) “Changes in the Korean Media from the Viewpoint of the Opening to Japanese Popular Culture”
   - Prof. Jang Yong Geol, Japanese Education Department, Kyungnam University

2) “Changes in the Culture and Awareness of Young People Living in Fukuoka Seen Through the International FM Broadcasting Project”
   - Mr. Takashi Sakata, Director, Asia Youth Culture Center, Director, Kyushu International FM Inc.

3) “The Significance of Hanryu (Korean) Boom and Its Ideal Future Direction”
   - Kim Soo Hyun, Researcher, The Center of Research in Japanology, Dongguk University

4) “East Asian Culture” - New Possibilities
   - Prof. Li Sotetsu, Sociology Department, Ruyoku University

### Afternoon

5) “Japan-China-Korea Relations from the Viewpoint of the Entertainment Industry”
   - Mr. Hajime Tawada, Media Coordinator

6) “Modern Value of Chinese Traditional Ethics”
   - Prof. Yang Zengwen, Institute of World Religions, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

7) “Overcoming “Internet Nationalism”’’
   - Jin Ying, Lecturer, Institute of Japanese Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

★ Q&A session; General discussion
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Session 2: Medicine and Bio-ethics

[ Conference Room 1, 2nd floor ]

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(Coordinator )
Masami Maruyama, Lecturer
Department of Health Science, School of Medicine, Kyushu University

Morning

1) "Embryo Stem (ES) Cell and Bioethics – In Connection with the Sanctity of Life"
   Prof. Masao Fujii, President, Japan Association for Bioethics, Professor Emeritus, Taisho University

2) Issues of Death in Korea
   Prof. Chung In Won, College of Medicine, Dongguk University

3) Comparative Study on Perspectives towards Life and Death based on the Attitude of Whether to Inform Patients of Their Impending Death – Korean and Japanese Students –
   Masami Maruyama, Lecturer
   Department of Health Science, School of Medicine, Kyushu University

4) A New Bioethical Framework for China’s HIV/AIDS Prevention
   Prof. Wang Yanguang,
   Institute of Philosophy, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences
   ★ Q&A session

Afternoon

1) The Ethical Thinking of Medical Behavior and Therapeutic Value
   Xu Jin, Deputy Chief Doctor, M.D. Beijing Hospital

2) Organ Transplantation and Bioethics – Should Transplantation of Diseased Kidneys Be Permitted? –
   Prof. Tsuyoshi Awaya, Okayama University
   ★ General discussion
   ★ Recommendation

Session 3: Industrial Cooperation

[ Middle Hall 2 ]

With the rapid growth of the Chinese economy, the economy of East Asia has entered a new era. Competition among companies has become increasingly fierce, while at the same time international cooperation and division of labor are rapidly progressing and supply chains are being formed across borders. What corporate strategies do large corporations as well as medium and small companies in Japan, China and South Korea adopt regarding competition, cooperation, division of labor and diversification of risk to get through this difficult era? Does Japanese-style management or Asian-style management work? Although “competition” is inherent in business activities, it will be essential to create a regional identity of “cooperation” that transcends the common notion of competition in East Asia in the future.

(Coordinator )
Prof. Sumio Kuniyoshi, Kyushu University Asia Center

(Commentator )
Prof. Katsuaki Nagaike, Faculty of Economics, Kyushu University

Morning

1) Globalization Strategies of Chinese Companies
   Prof. Zhang Jifeng,
   Institute of Japanese Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

2) International Division of Labor and Cooperation in the New Era of Asia – Focusing on the IT Industry
   Mr. Kyoshibi Urakami,
   Chief Director, The Organization for the Study of the Asian IT Business
   Former president, Hitachi Asia Ltd. (Hong Kong)

3) Establishment of a Stable Food Supply Chain in Japan, China and South Korea
   Prof. Satoshi Kai, Faculty of Agriculture, Kyushu University

4) Changes in Agricultural Policy in South Korea in Response to WTO Agricultural Negotiations and Emerging Issues
   Assistant Prof. Hwang Jae Hyun,
   College of Life Resource Science, Dongguk University

5) Strengthening Cooperation among Chinese, Japanese and South Korean Companies in the Field of Industrial Machinery
   Mr. Ding Min,
   Institute of Japanese Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

Afternoon

★ Comment from the commentator
★ Panel discussion
★ Q&A session
★ Conclusion and recommendation

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With its rapidly declining birthrate and ageing population, Japan has now reached a stage where total population is declining. China and South Korea are also facing serious ageing of the population and is rapidly approaching the same level as Japan. Currently, East Asia attracts world attention as a region where population ageing is progressing at a faster rate than any other region in the world. Public support for the elderly is provided through the social security systems, including medical insurance, unemployment insurance, nursing care and old-age pension. However, with the increase in longevity and improvements of living conditions, elderly people who remain healthy after retirement without depending on social welfare are rapidly increasing. The soundness of the social security system and the vitality of the economic society will be largely influenced by whether the healthy elderly who are not targeted by existing services remain active and contribute to society. Efforts by various organizations and municipal governments to tackle ageing-related problems are underway in various areas in East Asia. It is desirable that Japan, China and South Korea exchange and share experiences in promoting active ageing.

[Coordinator]
Prof. Takeo Ogawa, Professor Emeritus, Kyushu University

South Korea
1) Ageing Population Problems and Countermeasures in South Korea
   O Sug Yoon, Full-time Researcher, The Center of Research in Japanology, Dongguk University
2) Ageing Society and Active Ageing
   Prof. Sohn Joon Kyu, Professor Emeritus, Dongguk University
3) Ageing Population and Health Promotion in South Korea
   Prof. Lee Sung Kook, Assistant Director, School of Medicine, Kyungpook National University

China
4) Falling Birthrate and the Aging Population in Shanghai and Establishment of a Harmonious Society
   Prof. Wang Guixin, Director, Institute of Population Research, Fudan University
5) Regarding the 2006 White Paper on Development of Elderly Support in China
   Ding Yingshun, Assistant Professor, Institute of Japanese Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences
6) Problems Relating to “Active Ageing” in China
   Prof. Gao Hong, Institute of Japanese Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

Japan
7) Collaboration Towards the Promotion of Active Aging and the New Role of Aid Donors
   Mr. Koji Yamada, Manager/Associate Senior Researcher (Aid Strategy) Research Group, Institute for International Cooperation (IFIC), Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
   ★ Comments from China and Korea
   ★ Summary by the coordinator