



UK & Ireland JSPS Alumni Association







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Currently 600+ active members in our Alumni Association







Members

There are 2 categories of membership.....

- All persons who have or will receive support from JSPS are eligible for *regular membership*.
- Persons who have a distinguished record of promoting scientific exchange between the UK and Japan are eligible for *honorary membership*.





The Alumni Committee



Dr Ruth Goodridge *Chair*



Dr John Fossey

Co-Chair



Prof. Andrew Quantock

Co-Chair





The Alumni Committee



Dr Alessandra Devoto Associate



Dr Chris Pearson

Associate



Dr John Brazier Associate





Alumni Regional Managers

Wales



Dr Daniel Burgarth

Scotland



Prof. Andy Furlong





Alumni Regional Managers

Northern Ireland



Dr Davide Mariotti

Southern Ireland



Dr Emma Sokell





Alumni Committee

- 1. Recently changed Charter of the Alumni Association.
- 2. Committee & Regional Managers will change on a rotational basis, annually.
- 3. New Regional Manager for Wales
- 4. If you'd like to get involved, contact Polly Watson.





What do we do?

- 1. To maintain & create collaborative links with Japan.
- 2. To provide guidance to new fellows & support Japanese researchers working in the UK.
- 3. To conduct joint activities with academic institutions & counterpart agencies.





What do we do?

- 4. To exchange information among Alumni members.
- 5. To collect & disseminate information regarding science, technology, society & culture.
- 6. To strengthen regional groups & their connections with Japan.





We hold various types of meetings....

Both formal···







We hold various types of meetings....

and informal...







Funding Opportunities: Bridge Award

- Only registered members of the UK-JSPS Alumni Association are eligible
- Grant of up to £7k to enable alumni to maintain & strengthen collaborative ties with Japan
- Recently made 5 nominations representing a wide range of research fields from plant sciences and microbiology to inorganic chemistry and musicology
- Next deadline January 2017





Funding Opportunities: JBUK Award (Bridge Award Sister scheme)

- For Japanese Researchers Based in the UK (JBUK) and have PI status at a university or research institute in the UK
- Grant of up to £2k to revisit Japan for research purposes; to establish and expand their links with the academic community in Japan
- Next deadline TBA





Funding Opportunities: JSPS Alumni Symposium & Seminar Scheme

- A grant to support UK-Japan Symposia or Seminars
- Established members of the UK-JSPS Alumni Association are eligible – their institution will lead
- Grant to pay travel & subsistence costs for up to 5
 Japanese speakers and up to £2.0k towards costs –
 support expected from host institution





Funding Opportunities: JSPS Alumni Symposium & Seminar Scheme

- Sister scheme for Japanese researchers based in the UK
- Details & application forms on the website
- Deadline 7th November 2016. Short listed Proposals will be announced in January 2017 for selected events to take place between June 2017 to February 2018





Events: JSPS London Research Promotion Conference

- for JSPS Alumni and JBUK networks and colleagues to present their current research and how they would like to collaborate.
 - (a) Humanities and Social Sciences; (b) Medical and Life Sciences;
 - (c) Engineering and Physical Sciences.
- Representatives from UK funding bodies will be present to answer enquiries about funding opportunities.
- 16th November 2016, Japan Embassy, London. Speakers now being selected and a general invitation to attend will be sent out shortly.





Events: UK-Japan Frontiers of Science Symposium

- Jointly organised by JSPS Tokyo and JSPS London and the Royal Society
- 6th to 9th November 2016



Frontiers of Science Symposium





Details on the website: keep track of funding and alumni info







Why should you join?

- We provide a forum for those interested in Japan and research to meet, interact & provide mutual support and encouragement.
- We run what we hope are interesting scientific and social meetings.
- We have the Bridge and Symposium Scheme Awards for members to further encourage beneficial exchange.

http://www.jsps.org/alumniassociation/registration/index.htm