



# UK and RoI-JSPS Alumni Association





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Currently 550+ active members in our Alumni Association





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## 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*.



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## The Alumni Committee



Dr Ruth Goodridge  
*Chair*



Dr John Fossey  
*Co-Chair*



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## The Alumni Committee



Dr Alessandra Devoto  
*Associate*



Dr Chris Pearson  
*Associate*



Dr John Brazier  
*Associate*



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## Alumni Regional Managers

### Wales



Prof. Andrew Quantock

### Scotland



Prof. Andy Furlong



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## Alumni Regional Managers

### Northern Ireland



Dr Davide Mariotti

### Southern Ireland



Dr Emma Sokell





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## 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.



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## 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.



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## 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.



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We hold various types of meetings...



Both formal...



and informal...





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## 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 nanoscience to psychology
- Next deadline – January 2016



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## Funding Opportunities: Alumni Symposium Scheme

- A grant to support UK-Japan Symposia
- 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 £1.5k towards costs – support expected from host institution



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- Sister scheme for Japanese researchers based in the UK
- Phase 2 – “follow-on” symposium or seminar
- Details & application forms on the website
- Next call – July 2015



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- 5 event proposals to take place this fiscal year at various universities.
  - Japanese Studies at SOAS
  - Vision Sciences at Oxford
  - Nanoelectronics at Southampton
  - Education Studies at Strathclyde
  - Nanoscale Physics at Nottingham





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## Events: Sports Science and Technology

- Joint symposium with Japan Sports Council
- To coincide with the 2015 Rugby World Cup
- Alumni are welcome to get involved in the organisation or as speakers





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## Events: Issues of Globalisation

- Joint symposium with the British Academy
- Comparative study between the UK and Japan
- Will include our Alumni and Japanese researchers based in the UK as speakers



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

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**19 Mar 2015** [The JSPS London Call for the Pre/Post-doctoral Fellowship for Foreign Researchers \(Short Term\)](#)  
Applications to JSPS London Fellowship Start Period: 1 November 2015 to 31 March 2016 Closing Date: 1 June 2015 Link to ...  
[ see more ]

**10 Feb 2015** [JSPS Programme Information Event at Lancaster University](#)  
Time and Date of Event: 10:45 – 12:00 Wednesday, 25th February 2015 Venue: Meeting Room 2/3, FASS Building  
JSPS Programme ...  
[ see more ]

**28 Jan 2015** [FY2015 JSPS London call for BRIDGE Fellowship Applications](#)  
Closing date: Thursday 26th February 2015 Visit start period: Between July 2015 to the end of March 2016  
[ see more ]

**21 Nov 2014** [20th Anniversary of JSPS London/ 10th Anniversary of the UK and ROI JSPS Alumni Association Event](#)  
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**80** JSPS' 80th Anniversary



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## 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>