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UK & IRELAND

ALUMNI
ASSOCIATION

Please join the JSPS Alumni Association of the UK and the Republic of Ireland (RoI)

As a past JSPS Fellow, we would like to ask you to join the JSPS Alumni Association of the UK and the Republic of Ireland (RoI). Our Alumni Association was established in 2003 and carries out a number of activities throughout the UK and RoI with numerous benefits for members:

- The Pre Departure Seminars prepare new fellows for their research experience in Japan.
- The Alumni Evenings are for members to network in an informal, relaxed atmosphere and advertise current research, seek advice from peers or complimentary expertise for new research areas and investigate opportunities to collaborate with other alumni members.
- There are Programme Information Days for members to speak about their experiences as a fellow and encourage others to apply for JSPS funding programmes.
- Alumni members co organise symposia in cooperation with JSPS London at their respective universities, to present the results of research collaboration with their Japanese partners.
- The BRIDGE Fellowship is a travel bursary for Alumni members to maintain or create new collaborative links with the Japanese academic community.
- The association has an Executive Committee and Regional Managers' network to decide and initiate events and funding schemes and strengthen the links JSPS has. Members of this committee and regional network change regularly and we encourage Alumni members to get involved and contribute to the development of the Association and JSPS activities.

Our aims

1. Expanding UK and RoI academic linkages with Japan
2. Providing guidance to new Fellows and support to Japanese researchers working in the UK and RoI
3. Strengthening regional groups and their connections with Japan
4. Exchanging information among Alumni members

*Membership is free of charge

Connect with us

Alumni Association members can access a database to be able to contact other members and there is space on the JSPS London website for members to advertise their academic achievements linked with Japan.

Joining us

Simply register your membership here http://www.jsps.org/alumni_association/
Once registered you will receive an ID number and password to access the Alumni Association web pages and can start networking.



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ALUMNI SUPPORT SCHEMES

The purpose of these schemes is to provide financial support to members of the JSPS Alumni Association of the UK and Rol, allowing them to maintain links and strengthen their collaborative linkages with the Japanese academic community.



Re-visitation Programme The BRIDGE Fellowship

JSPS London manages calls for the BRIDGE Fellowship to provide support for one collaborative research trip from the UK or Rol to a Japanese host institution. Members can apply to expand their research with the same host with which they were previously linked, or with a different host. More details about the terms and values of this award can be found in the chart below.

The BRIDGE Fellowship	
Value of Award:	Return airfare, overseas travel, accident and sickness insurance, daily allowance of 15,000 JPY and research support allowance of 150,000 JPY*
Duration:	14 to 45 days
Starting Date:	Anytime between July to the end of March
Selection Period:	3 months
Calls for Application:	Once a year, January

*Values of award are subject to change.

The JSPS London Symposium and Seminar Scheme

The aim of this scheme is to provide support for members holding a symposium or seminar and to create high quality collaboration in cutting edge/ internationally competitive areas at institutional or departmental level between research institutions in the UK or Rol and Japan.

Benefits:

1

An international air ticket and daily allowance for the main speakers from Japan (up to 5 people) will be provided.

2

Up to £1,500 is further available towards the cost of the venue, hospitalities, material printing, advertisements and a follow-on publication.*

3

JSPS London will provide strategic support to help advertise and organise the event.

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How to apply:

For both schemes mentioned above application details will automatically be e mailed to registered Alumni members during our next call. For further information please contact Ms. Polly Watson at JSPS London by email at polly@jps.org or by telephone on 020 7255 4660.



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