



## WELCOME TO OUR 2023 BULLETIN

In February 2023, we said farewell to David Bateson, Chairman of the Board and we welcomed Jan-Ton Prinsze as our new Chairman. To find out more about Jan-Ton, please [click here](#).

We also look back on our Regional Fellow meeting at the University of London (UCL) in June 2022. Celebrating 35 years of granting fellowships, alumni Fellows from Denmark, Finland, Ireland, Sweden and the UK were invited to attend with His Excellency Hajime Hayashi, Ambassador of Japan to the United Kingdom and his wife as special guests.

David Bateson awarded certificates to Elise Voyau and Lorenzo Marinucci following the successful completion of their Fellowships. Elise was at Waseda University doing research on From the magazine to the exhibition, the turn of the 1970s in Japanese photography and understanding the role of Workshop shashin gakkō (1974-1976). Lorenzo was at Kyoto University doing research on Nioi - scent and Japanese philosophy.

Speaking at the meeting were Eric Brunner, Professor of Social and Biological Epidemiology at UCL and Anna Garnett, Professor and Curator of the Petrie Museum of Egyptian and Sudanese Archaeology at UCL.

Bouke de Vries, a London-based Dutch artist specialising in Ceramic art and porcelain talked to Dermot Moran and Andrew Fisher about his work.

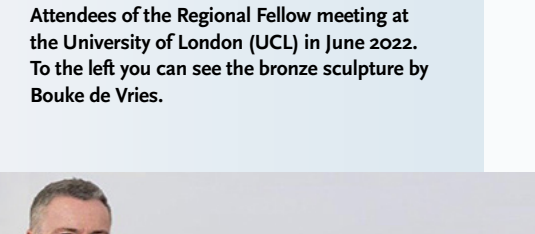
Bouke's 2-metre bronze sculpture which celebrates the beauty of healing and the power of resilience is featured in the UCL Japanese garden.

[Click here to watch a short film of highlights from the 2022 meeting](#)

**Our regional meetings are important in creating an engaged network of former and current Alumni Fellows who come together and share their experience and expertise.**

## THE 2023 REGIONAL ALUMNI FELLOW MEETING

The 2023 Fellow meeting will take place at the **University of Vienna, Austria on Friday 1 December, 2023**. Fellows from Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Czech Republic, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Netherlands, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Switzerland and Turkey will be invited to join. More information will be sent out when the schedule is finalised.



Attendees of the Regional Fellow meeting at the University of London (UCL) in June 2022. To the left you can see the bronze sculpture by Bouke de Vries.



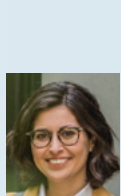
Elise Voyau (above) and Lorenzo Marinucci (below).



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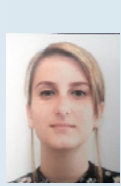
## THE 2023 CANON FOUNDATION IN EUROPE FELLOWS

## ROSSANA DUCATO



FROM University of Aberdeen, School of Law, Scotland, UK  
TO Waseda University, Dept. Law, Tokyo, Japan  
HOST Prof. Tatsuhiro Ueno  
RESEARCH FIELD Law: The Law of Text and Data Mining: A Comparative Study of the UK, EU, and Japanese Systems

## MS. MARIA SALVADOR CABRERIZO



FROM Harvard University, Cambridge, USA  
TO Waseda University, Fac. Arts, Letters and Sciences, Tokyo, Japan  
HOST Prof. Satomi Yamamoto  
RESEARCH FIELD Art: Medieval Japanese Art History. An Eco-critical Approach to the Art of the Kasuga Cult in Nara, Japan

## MS. ANA CRISTINA MAIA-FERNANDES



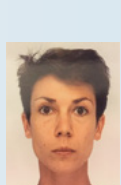
FROM University of the Algarve, Faro, Portugal  
TO RIKEN Center for Brain Science (RIKEN CBS) Wako, Japan  
HOST Prof. Ryoichiro Kageyama  
RESEARCH FIELD Biosciences: Modulating Gene Expression Oscillations: Towards Temporal Control of Stem Cell Differentiation

## MR. MORTEN E. JELBY



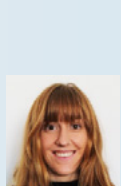
FROM Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, France  
TO Kyoto University, Dept. Philosophy of Religion, Kyoto, Japan  
HOST Prof. Yasuhiko Sugimura  
RESEARCH FIELD Philosophy, phenomenology: Nishitani Keiji's a-subjective phenomenology of suchness and being-in-the-world

## DR. CÉCILE SARABIAN



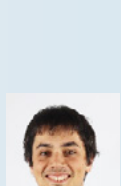
FROM University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong  
TO Nagoya University, Department of Cognitive and Psychological Sciences, Nagoya, Japan  
HOST Prof. Nobuyuki Kawai  
RESEARCH FIELD Psychology: Frightening, disgusting or nothing: Did primates evolve cognitive and physiological responses to a major natural reservoir of infectious disease (BATS)?

## DR. MARÍA SANTOLARIA-OTÍN



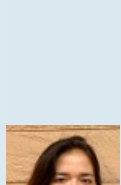
FROM Universitat de Barcelona, Spain  
TO University of Tokyo, RCAST/Dept. Climate Science Research, Tokyo, Japan  
HOST Prof. Hisashi Nakamura  
RESEARCH FIELD Geosciences: Barotropic Rossby waves linkinG Arctic sea-ice Decline with Eurasian climate - BRIDGE

## MR. RAÚL PÉREZ I GONZALO



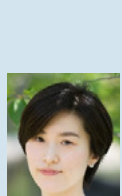
FROM Institut de Robòtica i Informàtica industrial, CSIC-UPC, Barcelona, Spain  
TO Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan  
HOST Prof. Edgar Simo-Serra  
RESEARCH FIELD Computer Science: Computer Vision & Artificial Intelligence. End-to-end learning for Wind Turbine blades: From imagery data to defect repair recommendations

## MS. ELÉONORE KOMAI



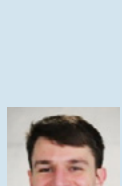
FROM Concordia University, Montreal, Canada  
TO Waseda University, Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, Tokyo, Japan  
HOST Prof. Gracia Liu-Farrer  
RESEARCH FIELD Politics and International Relations: Skill-selective migration policies: labor migration and the dynamics of skill construction in Japan

## DR. MICHIKO YAMASHITA



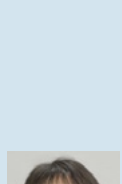
FROM Osaka University, Japan  
TO Max-Delbrueck Center for Molecular Medicine, Berlin and University hospital Jena, Germany  
HOST PD Dr. rer. nat. Florian Herse and Prof. Dr. Udo Markert  
RESEARCH FIELD Medicine: Dynamism of placenta as a potential therapeutic target for foetal growth restriction

## MR. JULIAN HINZ



FROM Max Planck Institute For Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg, Germany  
TO Kyoto University, Faculty of Law, Japan  
HOST Prof. Maki Saito  
RESEARCH FIELD Law: Capital Market Regulation; Investor Protection in Japan. Benefits, Risks and Regulation of Financial Intermediation

## DR. HIROYUKI YOSHIHARA



FROM Nagoya City University, Japan  
TO University of Warwick, Dept. Obstetrics & Gynecology, UK  
HOST Prof. Jan Brosens  
RESEARCH FIELD Medicine: Obstetrics and Gynecology, Recurrent miscarriage

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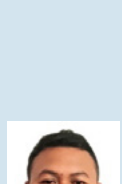
## MR. HIROTAKA FUJIBAYASHI



FROM Grad. Inst. of Int. and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland  
TO European University Institute, Robert Schumann Centre, San Domenico di Fiesole, Italy  
RESEARCH FIELD International Relations and Comparative Politics: Refugee and Asylum Policy, Migration Studies

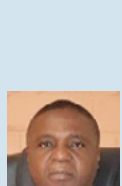
## CANON FOUNDATION IN EUROPE KYOTO UNIVERSITY JAPAN-AFRICA EXCHANGE PROGRAM

## DR. TOJOTANJONA RAZANAPARANY



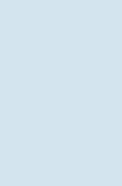
FROM University of Antananarivo, Madagascar  
TO Kyoto University, Japan  
RESEARCH FIELD Anthropology: Why did primates evolved their activity patterns from nocturnal to diurnal? Implication from the ecological determinant of cathemeral activity pattern in brown lemurs in northwestern Madagascar

## PROF. ANTOINE SOCPA



FROM University of Yaoundé I, Department of Anthropology & Centre for Applied Social Sciences Research and Training (CASS-RT), Cameroon  
TO Kyoto University, Japan  
RESEARCH FIELD Social sciences: Social Anthropology. Copying survival strategies of migrants and refugees in Cameroon. Comparison of "Anglo-Bamileke" migrants and Central African Republic refugees in Cameroon: Between social protection and entrepreneurial responses

## DR. GEORGINA SEERA



FROM Kyoto University, Japan  
TO Center for African Studies, Uganda Martyrs University Nkozi, Mpigi, Uganda AND Kyambogo University, Kampala, Uganda  
RESEARCH FIELD Other Social Sciences: Consolidating the production of nutrient-dense foods for the prevention of obesity in Japan: Opportunities in the practices of farmers with limited access to fertilizers, pesticides, and improved seeds

## FELLOWS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

## DR. SAM ROSS, TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN, IRELAND

Sam was at the Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology Graduate University Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology Graduate University for a year. His research was about understanding the impact of typhoons on species and ecosystems in Okinawa.

"I was based in the Integrative Community Ecology Unit, working with Dr. Dave Armitage at the Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology Graduate University (OIST) in Okinawa, a subtropical island in the Ryukyu archipelago south of Kyushu. OIST is unlike most universities in Japan in that its primary working language is English and it is a very international environment so I had no trouble fitting in and making friends. Dave was an excellent host who gave me a lot of freedom to explore my own research questions."

## After his Fellowship period ends, what are his plans?

"I am currently in the process of applying for permanent residence and I was recently awarded the Ecological Society of Japan's 2023 Suzuki prize for early-career researchers which will give me a really valuable platform when later applying for jobs elsewhere in Japan."

## DR. FATMANIL DONER, ISTANBUL MEDENIYET UNIVERSITY, KADIKOY, TURKEY

Fatma was at the Graduate School of Economics at Kyoto University. Her research examined the consequences of the neoliberal transformation in the countryside of Japan and Turkey.

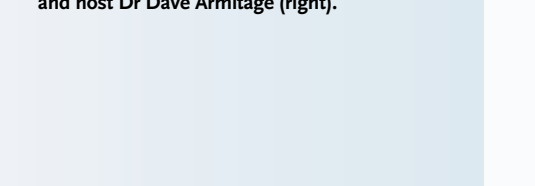
She tells us "My colleagues back in Turkey are very curious about my experiences in Japan so I plan to give a talk not only about my research in Japan but also my experiences on daily life and Japanese culture."

## Future collaborations

"In terms of future collaborations, Istanbul Medeniyet University is in the process of setting up an exchange program with Kyoto University as a result of my time at Kyoto which is great news!"



Dr Sam Ross (left), PhD student Nonno Hasegawa (centre) and host Dr Dave Armitage (right).



Fatma and her colleagues on a field trip to Ohara, northern Kyoto.

## OUR PROGRAMMES

## Research Fellowships

**Eligibility** - Europeans and Japanese nationals who want to do research in Japan and Europe respectively. Applicants should already have obtained at least their Master's degree within the last 10 years. All research fields are possible. Non-nationals should have permanent citizenship either in Europe or Japan.

**Stipend** - successful applicants can expect to receive up to 30,000 Euros per year pro rata.

**Duration** - 3 months minimum to 1 year maximum.

**Deadline** - 15 Sept 2023.

[General information](#) / [Registration and requirements](#)

## Co-sponsored Research Fellowships with the European University Institute

**Eligibility** - Japanese nationals who already received their Ph.D within the past 5 years or have official approval to defend their thesis prior to the start of the programme. The selected candidate will participate in the Max Weber programme.

**Duration** - 1 year from Sept-Aug.

**Deadline** - 18 Oct 2023.

[General information](#) / [Application via our website](#) or [via the European University Institute](#)

## Japan-Africa Exchange Programme

In co-operation with Kyoto University, Center for African Area Studies. Grants are offered to scholars from Kyoto University who want to do research in African Studies in Africa, and for scholars from Kyoto University's partner institutes in Africa who want to do research at Kyoto University.

**Deadline** - 15 Nov 2023.

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