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2013 REGIONAL FELLOW MEETING IN VILNIUS, LITHUANIA

Alumni Canon Fellows from east Europe along with immediate-past Fellows were invited to attend the 2013 Regional Fellow meeting in Vilnius, Lithuania last November. This was the first time that a Fellow meeting had been organised in this region.

In the impressive setting of Vilnius University, one of the oldest and most famous establishments of higher education in Eastern and Central Europe, the meeting was held in co-operation with the Center of Oriental Studies. Our grateful thanks go to Senior Japanologist, Assoc. Prof. Dalia Švambarytė who moderated at the meeting and to Prof. Habil. Dr. Audrius Beinorius, Director of the Center who agreed to host the meeting.

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Guests listened as Canon Fellow Dr. Ramūnas Motiekaitis gave his talk on *Japanese Aesthetic Categories and their Western Equivalents*. As the finishing touch to end the meeting, Dr. Motiekaitis treated guests to a beautiful performance on his shakuhachi flute, his first performance ever played to an audience.

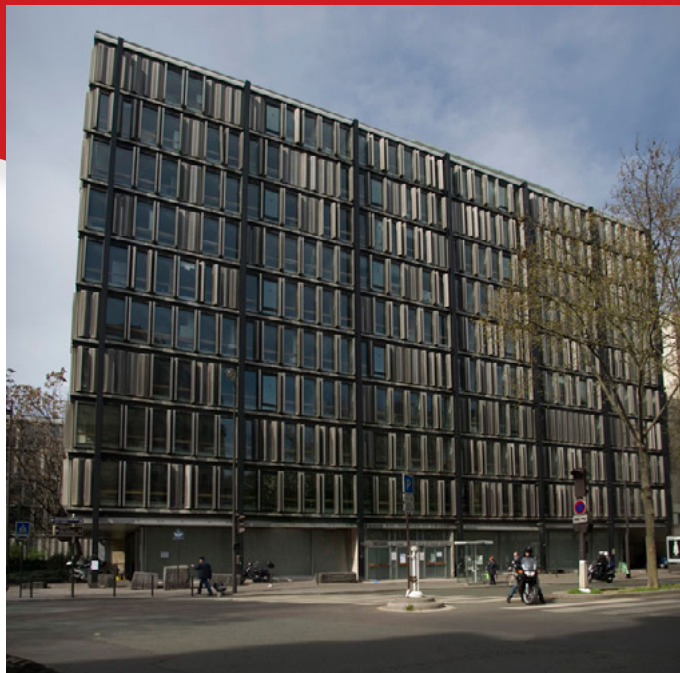
Then one of the Canon Foundation's first Fellows, Dr. Tapani Lahtinen (1990) took to the podium ... 24 years on. During these 24 years, the research which he began in Tokyo has partly contributed to the establishment of the Finnish high-tech company Delfin Technologies Ltd. Dr. Lahtinen introduced to the audience one of their key products, the MoistureMeterD, an ultra sensitive device, used for the early detection of breast cancer treatment-related lymphedema, a feared complication for women who need surgery and radiotherapy for their breast cancer.

ABOVE LEFT: Dr. Motiekaitis. ABOVE RIGHT: Dr. Lahtinen.

RECORDING: Dr. Motiekaitis' performance of *Shika no tone* on the shakuhachi flute. Click icon to play.



[Follow this link to see more photos from the Vilnius meeting](#)



YOUR INVITATION TO THE 2014 REGIONAL FELLOW MEETING, PARIS

We welcome Canon Foundation Alumni Fellows from France, Italy, Greece, Portugal, Spain, Turkey as well as new Fellows who have just completed their Fellowship period.

The meeting will be held on Friday 21 November 2014 in co-operation with the Fondation France-Japan de l'EHESS (L'Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales – a university thinktank bridging Japan and France, founded by 2004 Canon Fellow Sébastien Lechevalier. The Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS aims to facilitate and promote intellectual exchanges between Japan and France. The [EHESS](#) is a national institution for higher education in social sciences located in Paris, with world-class researchers and educators. More details on the meeting will follow later this year.

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INTRODUCING OUR 2014 CANON FELLOWS



DR. JESÚS ALBERTO PULIDO-ARCAS

FROM: University of Seville, Orleans, Spain. TO: University of Shiga Prefecture. HOST: Prof. Juan Ramón Jiménez Verdejo, a 1998 Canon Foundation Fellow. RESEARCH: Architecture & Area planning: Environment energy simulation study on urban & architectural space of Japanese heritage cities.



MRS. SAYAKA CHATANI

FROM: Columbia University, New York, USA. TO: European University Inst., San Domenico di Fiesole, Italy as a co-sponsored Research Fellow from the Canon Foundation & the European University Inst. AFFILIATED TO: Max Weber Programme & the Dept. of History & Civilization. RESEARCH: History: Modern imperialism & fascist mobilization from a comparative perspective. At the EUI she will work on her book manuscript on rural youth mobilization across the Japanese empire (Japan, Taiwan, & Korea) 1895-1950.



MR. MAURO CIRIO

FROM: Macquarie University, New South Wales, Australia. TO: Quantum Condensed Matter Research Group, RIKEN Center for Emergent Matter Science, Wako.

HOST: Dr. Franco Nori, host to former Canon Foundation Fellows. RESEARCH: Physics: Simulation of field theories in condensed matter systems.



MR. DAVID MANZANO COSANO

FROM: Escuela de Estudios Hispano-Americanos-Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, Seville, Spain. HOST: Prof. Yoshiko Nagano. TO: Faculty of Human Sciences, Kanagawa University, Yokohama. RESEARCH: History: Spain & Japan relationship in 19th century in the Micronesia area.



MS. CLÁUDIA GOMES

FROM: Barcelona Center for International Health Research (CRESIB). TO: National Inst. of Infectious Diseases, Tokyo. HOST: Prof. Mayumi Kubota. RESEARCH: Biosciences: Carrion's disease – searching for the ideal candidates for a diagnosis tool & a potential vaccine.



DR. ARJAN KEIZER

FROM: University of Manchester, UK. TO: Graduate School of Business Administration, Meiji University. HOSTS: Dr. Katsuki Aoki & Prof. Masayasu Takahashi. RESEARCH: Economics: Changing Japanese employment practices & their impact on working conditions.



DR. JOSEPH LEE

FROM: University of Exeter, UK. TO: Faculty of Law, University of Tokyo. HOST: Prof. Tomotaka Fujita. RESEARCH: Law: Securities law litigation & enforcement in Japan & the impacts on the development of Japanese capital markets.



DR. BENJAMIN PFEUTY

FROM: University of Lille 1. TO: KOMABA Faculty, University of Tokyo.

HOST: Prof. Kunihiko Kaneko. RESEARCH: Biosciences: From cell differentiation to multicellular development. A multiscale modeling approach.



MS. LAURA CUTANDO RUIZ

FROM: Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona, Spain. TO: Masanobu Kano Laboratory, University of Tokyo. HOST: Prof. Masanobu Kano. RESEARCH: Neurosciences: Electro-physiological & molecular studies to evaluate the microglial modulation of cerebellar functionality.



MR. MASAKI SATO

FROM: University of Tokyo. TO: University of Seville, Spain, Facultad de Geografía e Historia. HOST: Dr. Antonio Acosta. RESEARCH: History: Pacto Colonial in the King Felipe IV's Peru. The political society of Marqués de Mancera (1639-1648).



DR. GERARD ARTIGAS SOLÉ

FROM: University of Barcelona. TO: Faculty of Advanced Life Science, Hokkaido University, Sapporo. HOSTS: Prof. Shin-Ichiro Nishimura & Dr. Fayna M Garcia Martin. RESEARCH: Medicine: New efforts in cancer immunotherapy: revealing MUC-1 ligands of macrophage galactose lectin by microarray assay.



DR. IOANNIS SOTIROPOULOS

FROM: University of Minho, Braga, Portugal. TO: National Center for Geriatrics & Gerontology, Ohbu. HOST: Dr. Akihiko

Takashima. RESEARCH: Neurosciences: Tau as the converging protein of synaptic physiology & brain pathology.



MR. NICOLAS TAJAN

FROM: Toulouse University, France. TO: Inst. for Research in Humanities, Kyoto University. HOST: Assoc. Prof. Kosuke Tsuki. RESEARCH: Psychology: France-Japan comparative study of junior high school non-attendance.



DR. HIDEKI TAMURA

FROM: Life Science Tokyo Advanced Research Center (L-StaR), Tokyo, Japan. TO: Medical School, University of Exeter. HOST: Prof. Robert Pawlak. RESEARCH: Neurosciences: Investigating the mechanism of action of FKBP51 in behavioral reaction to stress.



MS. SHO TSUJI

FROM: Max Planck Research School for Language Sciences, Nijmegen, Holland. TO: RIKEN Brain Science Inst., Tokyo. HOST: Prof. Dr. Reiko Mazuka. RESEARCH: Linguistics: infants' use of social cues for word learning in a screen media setting.



MS. LUZIE WEITHOFER

FROM: Braunschweig University of Technology, Germany. TO: Murakami Laboratory, Tokyo Inst. of Technology. HOST: Prof. Dr. Shuichi Murakami. RESEARCH: Physics: Nonlocal transport signatures in topological superconductors.

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We are always keen to hear what past Fellows are doing. Fellows wishing to feature on our 'testimonials' webpage are invited to submit a text to foundation@canon-europe.com

SOCKS OF PEACE

Following the Tohoku earthquake and tsunami in March 2011, Canon Fellow Dr. Martina Umemura (1991), wanting to do something for the devastated community, decided to set up a small atelier in the middle of a once populated area, where she started producing, together with mothers and friends, knitted goods from German wool to sell online and in the temple markets in Kyoto.

From then on, the initiative grew and after receiving support from Tutto, the German company producing high quality Opal wool, it became the Umemura Martina Kesenuma FS Atelier Co., Ltd. The 'FS' standing for 'Friedenssocken' ('Socks of peace').

Her motivation was to provide some meaningful employment to individuals coming to terms with the disaster. The atelier has since grown into something much bigger than she had ever imagined.

KFS Atelier



RIGHT: Staff of the KFS Atelier. Dr. Umemura is seated in the front row, 2nd from the left.



CANON FOUNDATION BOARD TIMES OF CHANGE

After 7 years as Chairman of the Board, James Leipnik decided to step down at the beginning of the year, making way for Paul Kers. During his tenure, one of the main aims of Mr. Leipnik was to strengthen the Foundation's long-term strategic goals. Under his guidance, he formed the groundwork for the Invited Lecture Series which helped raise the Foundation's visibility throughout Europe. Under his leadership, the number of Fellowships offered each year also increased.

Mr. Kers, having been involved with the Foundation since it began 25 years ago, he brings to the Board his sound knowledge and expertise of the financial markets which will allow the Foundation to continue to fulfil its key purpose of offering Fellowships.

Replacing Mr. Kers's previous position on the Board, we warmly welcome Karsten Huster. After working as a software developer in various projects in Germany, Netherlands, USA and Taiwan, he founded [NT-ware Systemprogrammierungs-GmbH](#) in Germany in 1998 to focus on developing solutions for the printing industry. NT-ware became a member of the Canon group in 2006.

ABOVE (LEFT TO RIGHT): James Leipnik, Paul Kers, Karsten Huster

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WE CONGRATULATE CANON FELLOWS ACHIEVING AWARDS AND PROMOTIONS

DR. MÓNICA LIRA-CANTU (2005) who was promoted to Group Leader of the Nanostructured Materials for Photovoltaic Energy Group at ICN2 in 2013 at the Catalan Institute of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology (ICN-CSIC), Barcelona Spain.

DR. EVA CAROLINA SAÑUDO (2013) became a Lecturer (Profesor Lector) at the Universitat de Barcelona as of 2014.

PROF. KIM ECONOMIDES (Visiting Professor 1993) currently President Elect of the International Association of Legal Ethics [IAOLE](#) will become President in July 2014.

MR. YUICHIRO KAWANA (2009 co-sponsored Canon Foundation/ European University Inst.) was elected to be the Inaugural recipient of the Mizuta Award for an early career scholar making exceptional contributions in the field of intellectual history (2013). Winner of the 11th Young Scholar Award from the Japanese Society for the History of Economic Thought (2014).

DR. TATSUMA PADOAN (2009) joined the Department of the Study of Religions of the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London as a Newton International Post-Doctoral Fellow.

DR. MICHIO UMEDA (2011) will work as Assistant Professor at Ehime University from April 2014.

PROF. DR. CARSTEN ROCKSTUHL (2004) is now Professor at the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany.

DR. GAYE ROWLEY (2000) currently Associate Director of the Waseda University Library.

DR. CHIKAKO WATANABE (1990) is running two academic project funded by the JSPS on *Ecohistory of Iraq through the analysis of clay tablets and other clay objects* (to be carried out from 2014 to 2018) and *Provenance study of cuneiform tablets housed in Sulaymaniyah Museum (Kurdistan-Iraq) and geological study in the area of Tigris River* (2012-2015).

DR. LUIS SANTAMARÍA (2006) moved to Doñana Biological Station (EBD-CSIC) as a tenured researcher.

DR. SILVIA GAIANI (2009) co-founded an NGO called [e.go](#) which operates in the field of the green economy based in Brussels.

DR. GENKI YOSHIKAWA (2008) received the 'Tsukuba Encouragement Prize' in 2013.

DR. SATOMI ITO (2009) moved to the Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology Graduate University as a Staff scientist.

DR. KAZUHIRO HADA (2012) was awarded a Research Fellowship for Young Scientists by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) (2013-2015). He was also awarded a JSPS Grant-in-Aid for Young Scientists (KAKENHI Wakate Kenkyu B) for 2014-2016.

DR. ROGIER BUSSEER (1995) is now Managing Director for Leiden University College, the Netherlands.

DR. HIROYUKI ISHIMATSU (2013 co-sponsored Canon Foundation /European University Institute) will go to Iwate University, Japan as Associate Professor at the International Relations Office, Japan from summer 2014.

OUR CONDOLENCES



PROF. HISANORI SUZUKI who was an Award winner in 2005 died earlier this year at the age of 65. Professor Suzuki arrived in Italy from Tokyo as a young graduate in 1971. He will be remembered for his goodness, kindness and modesty. He will be sadly missed by his colleagues at the University of Verona.

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SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION WITH OUR NEW ONLINE FORM

CLEAR AND SECURE PROCEDURE

We appreciate that submitting an application for a fellowship can be a lengthy process, especially if you are currently busy with studies.

We have therefore rationalised our application procedure to provide you with a straightforward way to send all the required information.

All supporting documentation (such as word documents & pdfs) can now be uploaded directly from your desktop via our website. You can rest assured that our upload procedure is secure and fully encrypted. All your details remain private and will never be shared with any third party.

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




To enable you to proceed, you must first register. Once you have received your login details via email from us, you are free to view the application procedure and complete your own application in your own time.

As you can see in the screenshot to the right, the form is broken down into various sections. On completion of any particular section a green tick appears to the right. This ensures you can see clearly what still needs to be completed in order to apply. Once complete, you simply submit your application from the same webpage.



Application form

Welcome to the online application form for Research Fellowships offered by the Canon Foundation in Europe. Below indicates the status of completion for each of the stages of your application. Once all stages are complete, the 'Submit Application' button will become available. You can leave the application form at any time by clicking on the 'Log out' button. It is always possible to log back in to return to complete the form.

	Application Details	
	Personal details	
	Professional details	
	Education summary	
	Business employment record	
	Supporting documents	
	Application declaration	

[I agree to the Canon Foundation terms and conditions](#)



Your application cannot be submitted until all required fields are completed. This includes agreeing to the terms and conditions.

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ABOUT US

Established in 1987 to enhance cultural and scientific understanding between Japan and Europe, the Canon Foundation in Europe offers research grants to postgraduate European students who want to do research in Japan and Japanese students who want to carry out research in Europe in all research fields.

The objective of the Foundation is the promotion of science, culture, know-how and mutual understanding between Europe and Japan.

Candidates are required to have obtained a PhD or MA higher degree within the previous ten years. Exceptional candidates who obtained their qualification more than ten years prior to application will also be considered. Such candidates are required to provide further supporting information in their application.

Non-nationals need to have permanent citizenship in either Europe or Japan. Fellowships are awarded for a minimum of three months to maximum one year.



Register

[Please click on this link to register online and view our online application form and procedure](#)

The closing date for applications is **15 September** each year, for Fellowships starting in the following calendar year.

Research Fellows are expected to arrange their own accommodation, visa arrangements etc. [For a whole host of links visit our website](#)

Select the way you would like to search in the Fellow Register

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OUR LIBRARY

To date, our library holds 378 publications: 305 articles and 73 books received by Fellows. These publications contain an acknowledgement to the Canon Foundation for research done during their Fellowship period.

All catalogued publications can be found easily on our website via our online [Fellow Register](#) with the aid of various search parameters.

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