THE 13TH CONGRESS OF THE INDO-PACIFIC PREHISTORY ASSOCIATION (JAPAN)

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The Japanese portion of our 13th Congress, entitled "Development and Isolation in the Pacific", co-sponsored with the Japanese Society for Oceanic Studies and the National Museum of Ethnology (Japan), was held from 1st to 6th September 1987. The scientific sessions were divided into two segments. The Osaka segment, focused on Japanese prehistory, was held at the National Museum of Ethnology on 1st and 2nd September. The Tokyo segment, focused on prehistory and anthropology in Oceania and Southeast Asia, was held at the Inter-University Seminar House in Hachioji, Tokyo, on 5th and 6th September.

For this Congress the Japanese Organizing Committee, in cooperation with the IPPA secretariat in Canberra, took the responsibility of organizing scientific sessions and optional tours, and inviting scholars from overseas countries. Members of the Organizing Committee were Dr T. Akazawa, Dr T. Akimichi (Secretary), Dr Y. Aoyagi, Dr M. Chikamori, Professor K. Hanabara, Professor E. Ishikawa (President), Dr S. Koyama (Secretary), Professor T. Obayashi, Dr R. Ohtsuka (Secretary), Professor K. Omoto, Professor K. Sasaki, Dr K. Sudo (Secretary), Dr J. Takayama and Dr S. Tsuchida. Also many colleagues, especially Mr T. Goh, Miss S. Kubota, Mr H. Saito and Mr S. Sugito, made great contributions to the organization of this Congress.

Financial support for the Congress was generously provided by the Commemorative Association for the Japan World Exposition; the Japanese Ministry of Education, Science and Culture; the Ford Foundation (New Delhi); the Kansai Oceanic Society; and Rippon A-V Productions. Support from these organizations made the invitation of many scholars from overseas countries possible and aided the activities of the Organizing Committee. In addition, many delegates obtained individual financial support from their own or other local institutions.

Congress events

On the morning of the 1st September, following registration in the National Museum of Ethnology in Osaka, the conference opening session was held in the Museum congress hall. Opening remarks were delivered by Professor E. Ishikawa, the President of the Japanese Organizing Committee, after which Professor V.N. Misra, the President of IPPA, thanked the Japanese Organizing Committees and the sponsoring organizations on behalf of all delegates. In the evening of the same day a reception was held in the dining hall of the Museum, though the generous offices of the Museum staff, Professor T. Umesao (President) and Professor K. Sasaki (Vice-President). Professor Umesao presented a welcome speech, and Professor R. Green (Vice-President of IPPA) and Dr Y. Sinoto expressed thanks to Professor Umesao and his staff on behalf of all the delegates.
After the two days of sessions in Osaka the majority of the delegates went to Nara for a full-day optional tour on the 3rd September. Here they visited the Imperial Villa Garden Site of the ancient Nara capital, and the Nara National Cultural Properties Research Institute where they had a guided tour provided by Mr M. Sahara (Director of the Institute) and his colleagues. The delegates then travelled to Kyoto in the late afternoon.

On the 4th September the delegates departed Kyoto by bus in the early morning for Tokyo, via the Central Highway through the mountainous scenery of central Honshu, an area in which many Jomon sites are located. In the late afternoon they arrived at the Inter-University Seminar House in Machiohi, a suburb of Tokyo, where all delegates were accommodated and all sessions held. Professor H. Nakagawa, the Director of the Seminar House, invited the delegates to a tea party on the afternoon of the 5th September and an informal farewell party was held on the evening of the 6th September when Professors E. Ishikawa, V.W. Hisara and W.G. Solheim II expressed congratulations for the success of the whole Congress, and hopes for the future development of IPPA.

On the 7th September many delegates enjoyed an optional tour to the National Museum of Japanese History in Sakura, Chiba Prefecture. Mr K. Ueno (Associate Professor of the Museum) and other staff introduced the Museum with an English-language video film and showed delegates the galleries.

OSAKA SEGMENT
Convenors: Komei Sasaki, Shuzo Koyama

1st September

Introduction by Jack Golson

First Session: Overview of Jomon Culture
Chairperson: Fumiko Ikawa-Smith
1. Komei Sasaki
   Jomon Culture as an open system
2. Tatsuo Kobayashi
   Isolation and the development of the Jomon Period

Second Session: Contact and Development
Chairperson: Takeru Akazawa
1. Shuzo Koyama
   The population dynamics in the Jomon Period
2. Kimio Suzuki
   Prehistoric lacquer works in Japan
3. Shizuo Oda
   Archaeology of the Bonin Islands
2nd September

Third Session: Organization and New Techniques of Archaeology in Japan
Chairperson: Shuzo Koyama
1. Masuo Nakano  Lipids analysis and archaeology
2. Hiroshi Fujivara  Application of plant-opal analysis to archaeological surveys of agricultural sites
3. Migaku Tanaka  Survey and protection of archaeological sites and remains in Japan

Fourth Session: From the Jomon Period to the Yayoi Period
Chairperson: Gina L. Barnes
1. Bin Yamaguchi  Jomon people and Yayoi people
2. Makoto Sahara  Jomon and Yayoi Period

[Presentation in a related field]
1. Daniel Frimigacci and Bernard Vienne  How did they become Polynesians? A challenge for an ethnoarchaeological investigation of Futuna and Uvea

[GENERAL DISCUSSION]

TOKYO SEGMENT

4th September

First Session: Anthropological and Genetic Affinities among Peoples in Oceania
Convenor and Chairperson: Keiichi Omoto
1. Kazumichi Katayama  Physical anthropology in Oceania: Japanese contributions
2. Keiichi Omoto  Population genetic studies in the Philippines
3. Jesus T. Peralta  Tausay revisited
4. Liang Zhong Chen, Philip C. Board and Robert L. Kirk  DNA polymorphisms in Oceania: a study of haplotypes within the beta-globin and the Gc-Albumin gene clusters in East Asian and Pacific populations
Second Session: Archaeology and Ethnology in the Pacific
Convenor: Taryo Obayashi, Masashi Chikamori
Chairpersons: Wilhelm G. Solheim II, Roger C. Green

1. Lawrence A. Reid The early switch hypothesis: linguistic evidence for contact between Philippine Negritos and Austronesians
2. Wilfredo P. Ronquillo The Butuan archaeological finds: profound implications for Philippine and South East Asian Prehistory
3. R.P. Soejono Palaeolithic stone artifacts from Lombok
4. Taryo Obayashi Statistical classification of cultures of Southeast Asia and Oceania
5. Roger C. Green The Lapita site of Watom: new evidence from excavations in 1985
6. Susan Bulmer Prehistoric settlement patterns in the volcanic stonefields of Taamaki: a review
7. Masashi Chikamori Archaeology on Pukapuka Atoll
8. I Gusti Ngurah Bagus Komodo National park: its potency in the variety of tourism objects in Indonesia.

5th September

Third Session: Migration Ecology and Ethnic Identity
Convenor: Ryutaro Ohtsuka
Chairpersons: Jacob Sīmet, Ryutaro Ohtsuka

1. Shuji Yoshida Ethnic group formation of the May River Iwan, East Sepik Province, Papua New Guinea
2. Ryutaro Ohtsuka The comparative ecology of inter- and intra-population migration in three populations in Papua New Guinea
3. Keichi Kumagai Rural-urban migration and ethnic group formation in a Papua New Guinea town: the case of Chimbu migrants to Port Moresby
4. Jacob Sīmet Finding a place for prehistory in contemporary Papua New Guinea

[Yoichi Yamada's paper, "Migration and ethnic group formation in the East Sepik Hills", was cancelled because of illness; however, his paper will be published in the conference proceedings.]

Fourth Session: The Contributions of Japanese Social Anthropologists to Micronesian Studies
Convenors: Eikichi Ishikawa, Iwao Ushijima
Chairpersons: Yoshihiko Sinoto, Iwao Ushijima
1. Akitoshi Shimizu  
Chieftainships in Micronesia

2. Ken-ichi Sudo  
Land tenure and social structure in Micronesia

3. Shuzo Ishimori  
Secret knowledge on Satawal Island, Central Carolines

4. Tomoya Akimichi  
Triggerfish and the Southern Cross: the cultural associations of fish with stars in Micronesian navigational knowledge

5. Osamu Sakiyama  
Linguistic evidence for a New Guinea-Micronesia connection

[Special Talk]  
Chairperson: Jack Golson

1. Prisit Charoenwongsa  
Developments in prehistoric Thai archaeology

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