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The 8^{th} Meeting of the Asian Paleolithic Association Tokyo, Japan, June $24^{th}-28^{th}$, 2016

Dear colleagues,

We are pleased to announce the 8th meeting of the Asian Paleolithic Association (APA) in Tokyo, Japan, organized by the Japanese Palaeolithic Research Association on behalf of the presidium of the APA. The meeting will be held at Tokyo Metropolitan University between June 24th and 28th, 2016. The meeting will be composed of a symposium, oral sessions, poster sessions, and a post-conference excursion. The title of the symposium is "Variability, similarities and the definition of the IUP across Eurasia". Several experts in this topic (only invited colleagues) will provide podium presentations.

Please note that the deadline for abstract and register submissions is **February 5th**, **2016**. All participants in the meeting need to register for the meeting. Upon request, the Organizational Committee sends a personal invitation for visa application. Please contact us (apajapan@gmail.com) as soon as possible, if you need an invitation letter.

We look forward to seeing you in Tokyo.

With best regards,

Organizational Committee

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1. Conference schedule

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June 24 (Friday)
    13:30-17:30 Registration
    18:00-19:30 Welcome Party
June 25 (Saturday)
    09:00-12:00 Symposium: Variability, similarities and the definition of the IUP across Eurasia
                  organized by Hiroyuki SATO, Kazuki MORISAKI, Katsuhiro SANO,
                               Nicolas ZWYNS, and Masami IZUHO
    12:00-13:30 Lunch (12:20 – 13:30 JPRA General Meeting)
    13:30-17:30 Oral Session (1)
    18:00-19:00 APA Board Meeting
June 26 (Sunday)
    09:00-12:00 Oral Session (2)
    12:00-13:30 Lunch
    13:30-17:30 Oral Session (3)
    18:00-20:00 Farewell Party
June 27 (Monday)
    Post-Conference Excursion
June 28 (Tuesday)
    Departure
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2. Venue

Tokyo Metropolitan University (Minami-Osawa Campus) Minami-Osawa 1-1, Hachioji, Tokyo 192-0397, Japan Access (http://www.tmu.ac.jp/english/university/access.html)

3. Call for papers

The theme of the meeting is: Recent progress of the Paleolithic research in Asia.

We will prepare several sessions covering a variety of topics on significant studies in Asia and we are looking forward to seeing a plenty of oral and poster presentations. The oral presentations will be distributed to one of the appropriate sessions (*but NOT to the symposium).

Official language of the meeting is English. To provide an oral or poster presentation in the meeting, please submit an abstract for the 8th APA meeting using the attached Abstract Form, and e-mail it to the following address of the Organizational Committee by **February 5th**, 2016.

E-mail: apajapan@gmail.com

Please be aware of the following criteria for the abstract submissions:

- Abstracts must be prepared using the attached Abstract Form (MS-Word).
- Abstracts must be written between 250-500 words in English and include the title, authors' name(s) and affiliation(s), and the e-mail address of the corresponding author.
- Family name should appear in capital letters.
- Please indicate your preference for an oral presentation or a poster presentation.
- Abstracts lacking in a clear description of the significance of the subject may not be accepted.
- Abstracts will be reviewed by the Program Committee.

- Due to time constraints, only a limited number of oral presentations will be accepted. Therefore, some authors will be offered to present a poster presentation.

4. Registration

Please note that all participants in the meeting must submit the attached Registration Form to the following e-mail address by **February 5th**, 2016.

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The registration fee for the meeting participation is Japanese Yen ¥10,000 per person, including conference kits, welcome party, farewell party, and lunch (June 25, 26), but does not include the excursion fee. The registration fee should be paid in Japanese Yen. Other currencies will not be accepted. Please note that we accept only cash, but neither credit cards nor checks.

5. Post-conference excursion

Post-conference excursion will be on June 27. Because the schedule of excavations that we can visit will be fixed in April 2016, the details of the post-conference excursion will be announced later (approximately April).

6. Accommodation

There are no hotels at Minami-Osawa Station, the nearest station of Tokyo Metropolitan University. There are several hotels around the Keio railway stations at Hashimoto and Keio-Tama-Center, two stations away from the Minami-Osawa Station. Please check the box in the Registration Form, if you wish an accommodation arrangement.