

Editor's Preface

It is our great pleasure to deliver to you the third volume of our online academic bulletin: *Asia-Japan Research Academic Bulletin*.

This Bulletin is an online academic periodical, focusing on studies and research on Asia and Japan, globally, regionally, and locally, with a special emphasis on its interdisciplinary range. "Interdisciplinary" here includes works in all the scientific fields of humanities, social, and natural sciences, as long as the research topic is related to any sector of Asia or Japan, including interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary works in the stricter sense of these terms.

We rely on a strict double-blind peer review. There are no specific deadlines, so once you submit your paper and it is accepted by the Editorial Board, we start the review process immediately. Once the review ends satisfactorily, we will publish it online immediately, with a clear mention of its being reviewed.

The Bulletin admits a variety of academic writings. Research articles, review articles, and research notes will be reviewed by the aforementioned review system. Other categories which will be published after acceptance by the Editorial Board are brief research reports, fieldwork reports, research surveys (on the state of research and preceding works), and book reviews (including book review articles). In the case of book reviews, the books to be reviewed can be any book published in any language as long as it is related to the research fields of Asia-Japan Research.

We ask for your kind support and encouragement for this nascent academic *Bulletin* and your prospective contributions within the range of the research fields stated above.

We promise to strive to promote research on and in Asia, including Japan as its part, with our full strength continuously.

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