

Showcasing the Japan Biographical Database (JBDB)

The Japan Biographical Database (JBDB) is a bilingual, open-access database aimed at collecting information on historical figures and their biographical data related to Japan. Using a JavaScript web application, we have set up a PostgreSQL database based on the construction of the China Biographical Database (CBDB) to accumulate data and edit its functions. JBDB provides the basis for network analysis, spatial analysis, and prosopography, as well as biographies. As of October 2024, about 15,000 historical figures have been added, with a focus on the Tokugawa and Meiji eras.

The goal is to continue to expand the data by inviting related projects to join and share their materials on this platform. Currently, thirteen projects are working independently with JBDB, and the symposium will feature some of them to illustrate how adaptable and diverse the components are. We have also invited some other projects from which we have learned or hope to learn in the future.

(The event will be recorded for later upload to the JBDB YouTube channel.)

Date: 9 November 2024

Time: 10:00 – 17:30

In Person: 2-414

(4F, Building 2, Sophia University)

Zoom: <https://sophia-ac-jp.zoom.us/j/91601237353>

Meeting ID: 916 0123 7353

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Program

10:00-10:05 / Introduction Bettina Gramlich-Oka

10:10-10:25 / Yoshitaka Yamamoto (Online)

10:30-10:45 / Jingyi Li (Online)

10:50-11:05 / Discussion

11:05-11:20 / Yasuhiro Takahashi (Online)

11:25-11:40 / Maki Nakai

11:45-12:00 / Discussion

12:05-12:20 / Nadia Kanagawa (Online)

12:25-12:40 / Iris Haukamp

12:45-13:00 / Discussion

13:00-14:00 / Lunch break

14:00-14:15 / Satoru Nakamura

14:20-14:35 / James Morris

14:40-14:55 / Discussion

15:00-15:15 / Marie Yasunaga (Online)

15:20-15:35 / David Slater

15:40-15:55 / Discussion

16:00-16:15 / Coffee break

16:20-16:35 / Anaole Bernet (Online)

16:40-17:00 / Leo Born (Online)

17:05-17:30 / Discussion Bettina Gramlich-Oka

17:30-19:00 / Small reception ("Wine and cheese")

@ Room 304, building 13

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