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## History of the EU-Japan Forum

The EU-Japan Forum is an annual meeting of Japanese and European scholars set up to discuss a wide range of topics of shared interest. Except for two years - *i.e. in 2021 when the conference was canceled due to the global pandemic and in 2022 when it was organized online to accommodate lingering travel restrictions* - an inperson gathering was in Brussels held every year since 1998. Most recently, following the Corona-dictated interruption, the EU-Japan Forum resumed in 2023 as an in-person meeting.



Launched less than a decade after the 1991 "The Hague Declaration" cementing the formal relations between Japan and the then-European Community by professors Eric Remacle (IEE-ULB) and Takao Ueta (ICU), the first meeting in 1998 was a seminar entitled "*EU-Japan Interests in a Globalised World*". It helped crystalize a shared research

agenda including: on the one hand, the many regional challenges the EU was preparing to face at that time - e.g. the introduction of the single currency and enlargement; and on the other, Japan's response to a changing East Asian environment. These early years of what would become decades-long Euro-Japanese academic dialogue would result in several publications exploring the shifting geo-political realities in Europe and Asia, and their implications for Brussels and Tokyo.

In 2007, under the joint direction of professors Takao Ueta (ICU), Mario Teló (IEE-ULB), and Dimitri Vanoverbe (KULeuven), the annual conference was relaunched with a renewed academic agenda focused on the strategic partnership in the making between the EU and Japan. These meetings would in turn result in a set of publications on the negotiations, implementation efforts, and outcomes associated with the Euro-Japanese Economic and Strategic Partnership Agreements that would eventually see the light of day in 2018.

Two decades after its launch, in 2018, the EU-Japan Forum would once again be renewed, this time through a bilateral partnership between the ULB and Waseda. With the support of the Waseda Brussels Office, this most recent period has seen a significant increase in the number of academics as well as disciplines involved in the conference. Besides the continued exploration of the political dynamics shaping the EU-Japan partnership, the Forum has also broadened its scope to include more legal scholarship rooted in international and comparative law as well as research from across the Humanities contributing to comparative cultural studies between Europe and Japan. In this context, the most recent iterations of the Forum have also enjoyed the support of a JSPS Core-to-Core (C2C) advanced research network based at Waseda University and led by professor Hidetoishi Nakamura named "The European Union and Japan in a Fluid Global Liberal Order: Establishing an Inter-Regional Studies Centre".

Over nearly two decades and a half, the so-called EU-Japan Forum has grown into the largest academic gathering dedicated to the EU-Japan partnership. It has proven time and again to be a welcome catalyst for the production of original research on a wide range of topics related to the EU and Japan. The body of resulting scientific publications – some, if not all, listed below - reflect the ongoing, dynamic, and growing scientific exchanges between scholars on either side. These fruitful dynamics are set to continue as this year's forum is to jump-start several new nascent scientific endeavors involving both Japanese and European researchers in the fields of comparative politics, linguistics, culture studies, and international law.



#### Publication Associated with the Forum

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#### **Overall Program**

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#### Monday March 4, 2024

09:30 - 10:00	Welcome Coffee & Registration
10:00 - 12:00	Session 1 Narrating Power: Leadership in Europe and Asia
12:00 - 12:45	LUNCH BREAK
12:45 - 14:30	Session 2 Narrating Education: University Cooperation in Europe and Asia
14:30 - 14:45	COFFEE BREAK
14:45 - 16:15	Session 3 Narrating the Past: History and Memory in Europe and Asia

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16:15 - 16:30 Workshop Concluding Words

#### Tuesday March 5, 2024

09:00 - 09:30	Welcome Coffee & Registration
09:30 - 10:50	Session 1 Responses to Hate Speech & Abusive Language in Education
10:50 - 11:00	COFFEE BREAK
11:00 - 12:20	Session 2 Institutional Response to Hate Speech & Abusive Language
12:20 - 14:00	LUNCH BREAK
14:00 - 15:30	Session 3 Hate Speech, Abusive Language, and the Other in Society



#### Wednesday March 6, 2024

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09:00 - 09:30	Welcome Coffee & Registration
09:30 - 10:50	Session 4 Hate Speech & Abusive Language on the Modern Screen
10:50 - 11:00	COFFEE BREAK
11:00 - 12:30	Session 5 Hate Speech, Abusive Language, Politics and Social Media
12:30 - 12:45	Workshop Concluding Words

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#### Thursday March 7, 2024

08:30 - 09:00	Welcome Coffee & Registration	
09:00 - 09:30	Opening Welcome Words & General Introduction	
09:30 - 12:45	Sessions 1 & 2 Comparative and collaborative approaches to s	serious and organized crimes
12:45 - 13:45	LUNCH BREAK	
13:45 - 16:30	Sessions 3 & 4 Comparative and collaborative approaches to international core crimes	JSPS Information Session <ul> <li>Introduction</li> <li>Shared Experiences from</li> </ul>
16:30 - 17:00	Workshop Concluding Words	former JSPS Fellows

17:00 - 18:00Forum Conclusion - TBC





#### Welcome Words

In 2024 the Institut d'études européennes (IEE) of the Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB) will host the 24th edition of its' annual EU-Japan Forum. Between the 4th to the 7th of March, the EU-Japan Forum will once again bring together academics and researchers from across Europe and Japan to discuss a wide range of issues of shared interest.

This year the forum's scientific coordination was again a joint effort between ULB and Waseda scholars. Similarly, the forum's executive committee included both the IEE and the Waseda Brussels Office (WBO). Ultimately, over half a dozen Japanese and European academics were mobilized in the run-up to this year's gathering which is expected to welcome **50 scientific presentations**, with contributors hailing from over a dozen different nationalities, including a delegation of **18 academics and researchers from 12 Japanese universities**.

Past EU-Japan Forums have proven themselves successful research incubators resulting both in joint projects and shared scientific publications across the Social Sciences and Humanities. Bearing this in mind, while seeking to reflect the ever-evolving and expanding agenda of common research interests linking European and Japanese academics, the 2024 EU-Japan forum will seek to broach new research avenues.

In 2024, the forum will include three topical workshops dedicated to nascent joint initiatives, followed by a closing information session on Japanese research funding opportunities. Each of the three sequentially organized workshops was jointly set up by a specific team of EUand Japan-based scholars. The respective academic coordinators of the three workshops were brought together by a common interest in jointly exploring a given area of shared interest in the hopes of fostering new Euro-Japanese research outcomes in the years to come.



The first day-long workshop co-coordinated by F. Foret and F. Ponjaert (IEE-ULB) on **Political Narratives in Europe & Asia Compared**, brings together political scientists, sociologists, historians, Japanese and European studies scholars as well as practitioners in a shared effort to explore political narratives on international cooperation in light of Japanese and European Leadership Styles, Higher Education policies, or Collective Memory and Heritage practices

The second two-day-long workshop co-coordinated by S. Detey and N. Morita (SILS-Waseda) entitled **Hate Speech and Abusive Language: Investigation of Verbal Violence, Regulation & Education**, brings together Linguists, political scientists, sociologists, political philosophers, historians, legal scholars, as well as film, Japan and EU studies. 5 disciplinary panels are thus set to unpack the responses to hate speech and abusive language in Europe and Japan in education, public institutions, multicultural societies, modern cinema, as well as political and social media debates.





The final day-long workshop co-coordinated by A. Weyembergh, C. Brière (IEE-ULB), and S. Furuya (Waseda) on **Japanese and European Approaches to International Criminal Justice**, gathers several renowned legal scholars to discuss Japanese and European approaches to international criminal justice.

In a hope to further foster future initiatives between scholars based in Europe and Japan, the 2024 Forum will end with an **information session hosted by the Europe office of the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS)** on Japanese avenues of researching funding

Jean-Louis Moortgat (Director, Waseda Brussels Office) & Frederik Ponjaert (IEE-ULB)



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## **IEE-Waseda Workshop**

**04** MARCH 2024



## POLITICAL NARRATIVES IN EUROPE AND ASIA COMPARED



Coordinated by professor **François Foret** (IEE-ULB President), the initial one-day Workshop on **Political Narratives in Europe & Asia Compared** will unpack several political narratives that resonate on both sides of the EU-Japan partnership.

Political narratives have become increasingly salient in contemporary politics, from the "nation-branding", the search for "soft power" or the framing of conflicts in external affairs, to the conflictualization of identities and values in the internal public spheres. This proliferation and quick obsolescence of narratives can be interpreted as an outcome of political disenchantment and secularization. Many stories compete – "in real life" or in digital media – to fill the void left by the erosion of "big narratives" (e.g., ideologies, nations, religions). The tensions, hybridizations, and clashes between narratives are all the more important in diversifying and individualizing societies and in multilevel systems of governance.

While narratives express historical, social, and cultural specificities, they also circulate worldwide and are shaped by global trends. To avoid essentialism, they must be analyzed both in their context of enunciation (polity/policy sector) and through a comparative prism. Building on previous work, this is what this workshop sets out to do on narratives about **leadership**, **education**, and the **past**.





## Workshop on

## **Political Narratives in Europe & Asia Compared**

#### **EVENT PROGRAM - DAY 1 - MORNING**

Venue: Institute for European Studies-ULB Avenue Franklin D. Roosevelt 39 1050, Brussels (BELGIUM)

09:30 - 10:00	Registration & Welcome Coffee
10:00 - 10:15	Workshop Opening François Foret (IEE-ULB)
10:15 - 12:00	Session 1 @ Kant Room Narrating Power: Leadership in Europe and Asia
Chair	François Foret (IEE-ULB)
	<b>Guibourg Delamotte (INALCO)</b> Global leadership and political culture: a comparison Europe/Japar
	<b>Syuzanna Vasilyan (ULB-IEE)</b> Japan from the Mores of Pacifism to the Bellicism of Realpolitik in the EU's Eastern Neighbourhood
	<b>Jing-Syuan Wong (ULB-IEE &amp; LUISS)</b> Dealing with competing authoritarian models: Japan and EU's respective neighborhoods compared

12:00 - 12:45

Lunch Break



#### Workshop on

## **Political Narratives in Europe & Asia Compared**

#### EVENT PROGRAM - DAY 1 - MONDAY MARCH 4, 2024

- 12:45 14:30 Session 2 @ Kant Room Narrating Education: University Cooperation in Europe & Asia
  - **Chair** François Foret (IEE-ULB)

**Anemona Constantin (ULB-IEE, Cevipol)** Political narratives in European policy for higher education and research

#### **François Heinderyckx (ULB-LTC)** The Lessons drawn from European University Alliances: The CIVIS Case

**Sohail Luka (DG EAC - Unit C2 – Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions)** *MSCA Joint Doctorates strategic dimension and challenges* 

Leyla Radjai (Tokyo University) International higher education institutions: Challenges and opportunities

**Frederik Ponjaert (ULB-IEE) & Paola Vellani (ULB)** *Joint and Multiple Degree Architectures in Practices* 

14:30 - 14:45

**Coffee Break** 





## Workshop on

## **Political Narratives in Europe & Asia Compared**

#### EVENT PROGRAM - DAY 1 - MONDAY MARCH 4, 2024

14:45 - 16:15 Session 2 @ Kant Room Narrating the Past: Memory & Heritage in Europe and Asia Chair Guibourg Delamotte (INALCO)

> Andrea Apollonio (University of Turin) Political narratives and memory activism across societies and institutions: the cases of Okinawa/Japan and the EU

**Natsuko D'Aprile (ULB-Cevipol)** Identity & soft power: A comparison of France and Japan

**Alvaro Oleart (ULB-IEE)** Comparing the decolonial perspective

16:15 - 16:30 Concluding Words François Foret (IEE-ULB)



## Waseda Brussels Office Workshop

05-06 MARCH 2024



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## HATE SPEECH AND ABUSIVE LANGUAGE THE INVESTIGATION OF VERBAL VIOLENCE, REGULATION AND EDUCATION



Coordinated by professor Sylvain Detey (Waseda University - Tokyo), the workshop **Hate Speech and Abusive Language: The Investigation of Verbal Violence, Regulation, and Education** aims, through a multiplicity of angles, to shed some light on the complexity of contemporary "verbal violence" and, maybe, to offer some suggestions as to how to look for a solution to the problems it creates.

For quite some decades "hate speech" and "abusive language" used to be envisaged as abnormal linguistic behaviors targeting specific communities or individuals, and, according to the context, deemed either socially undesirable in the public sphere or straightforwardly illegal. However, with the rapid development of SNS on the one hand, and the multifaceted impact of globalization on the other hand, the complex evolution of what could be termed "verbal violence" has come to affect many spheres of our normal lives, whether is it perceived through a certain form or hypersensitivity or hyposensitivity. Whether it is turned into cyberharassment, verbal assault, disinformation, or political maneuver, it is now affecting not only all sorts of minorities but also all children's and citizens' social well-being. They are not easy and simple issues to deal with because not only linguistic, cultural, educational, and social, but also ethical, political, and ideological factors involving censorship, regulation, and freedom of speech and expression are involved.





## Workshop on Hate Speech and Abusive Language

## Investigation of Verbal Violence, Regulation & Education

#### EVENT PROGRAM - DAY 2 - TUESDAY MARCH 5, 2024

Venue: Institute for European Studies-ULB Avenue Franklin D. Roosevelt 39 1050, Brussels (BELGIUM)

09:00 - 09:20	Registration & Welcome Coffee
09:20 - 09:30	<b>Workshop Opening</b> Sylvain Detey (Waseda)
09:30 - 10:50	Session 1 @ Kant Room Responses to Hate Speech & Abusive Language in Education
Chair	Norimasa Morita (Waseda)
	Sylvain Detey (Waseda) Hate speech and abusive language from an educational perspective through the lenses of linguistic miseducation: do we know how to speak?
	<b>Olivier Bertrand (Cergy Paris Université et École polytechnique)</b> Verbal Violence in French Dictionaries: a diachronic perspective
10:50 - 11:00	Coffee Break



## Workshop on

## Hate Speech and Abusive Language

Investigation of Verbal Violence, Regulation & Education

EVENT PROC	GRAM - DAY 2 - TUESDAY MARCH 5, 2024
11:00 - 12:20	Session 2 @ Kant Room Institutional Response to Hate Speech & Abusive Language
Chair	Massimo Vedovelli (University for Foreigners of Siena)
	Patrick Le Galès (SciencePo)
	Regulating hate speech and language
	Martin Desleixhe (ULB - IEE)
	Constitutional Patriotism and the Other
	Laura Calabrese (ULB - LTC)
	Digital dissemination of hate speech. Challenges, constraints, and solutions
12:20 - 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 - 15:20	Session 3 (@ Kant Room) Hate Speech, Abusive Language, and the Other in Society
Chair	Asuncion Fresnoza-Flot (ULB - EASt)
	Joachim Scharloth (Waseda)
	If hate speech is bad, why do we argue about it? - What the discourse on
	hate speech reveals about contested social orders
	Jasper Van Asshe (ULB - CESCUP)
	Othering, its roots, and its solution
	Aaron Raphael Ponce (ULB - EASt)
	It's Not Racism if It's True": Questioning Models of Sexual Racism based
	on Reflections by Gay Asian Migrants in Belgium





## Workshop on

## Hate Speech and Abusive Language

## Investigation of Verbal Violence, Regulation & Education

#### EVENT PROGRAM - DAY 3 - WEDNESDAY MARCH 6, 2024

Venue: Institute for European Studies-ULB Avenue Franklin D. Roosevelt 39 1050, Brussels (BELGIUM)

09:00-09:30	Welcome Coffee
09:30-10:50	Session 4 @ Kant Room Hate Speech & Abusive Language on the Modern Screen
Chair	Dominique Nasta (ULB-LTC)
	<b>Norimasa Morita (Waseda)</b> From Anguish to Anger: Decoding Abusive Language in 1980s British Films
	<b>Sonya Imin (ULB-EASt)</b> Intersections of marginalization in Uyghur creative productions
	<b>Jara Fernandez-Meneses (University of Southampton)</b> Exploring abusive language in popular music: sexism and racism in Perra
10:50-11:00	Coffee Break



## Workshop on

## Hate Speech and Abusive Language

Investigation of Verbal Violence, Regulation & Education

#### EVENT PROGRAM - DAY 3 - WEDNESDAY MARCH 6, 2024

11:00-12:30	Session 5 @ Kant Room Hate Speech, Abusive Language, Politics and Social Media
Chair	François Heinderyckx (ULB-LTC)
	<b>Paul Bacon (Waseda)</b> The EU and the attempted regulation and mitigation of the hybrid threat of FIMI (Foreign Information Manipulation and Interference)
	Nicolas Baygert (ULB-LTC & IHECS)
	Linguistic Strategies in the Digital Communication of Alt-Right Political Influencers: A Socio-Semiotic Perspective
	Elissa Nakajima-Wickham (Waseda)
	Sharp Power Online: The Challenge of State-Backed Disinformation on Social Media as a Target of Regulation
	Orlando Paris (University for Foreigners of Siena)
	The narrative structures of hate speech on Social Networks
12:30-12:45	<mark>Concluding Words</mark> Sylvain Detey (Waseda, Japan)





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## IEE-Waseda Workshop

Centre de Droit Européen (IEE-ULB) & Waseda Law School

**07** MARCH 2024

**IEE-ULB** 39 AV. ROOSEVELT BRUSSELS

# Japanese and European Approaches to International Criminal Justice

International criminal justice is an active field of international cooperation. States actively negotiate, conclude, and implement international agreements to facilitate the prosecution of international core crimes by specialized tribunals and courts, such as the International Criminal Court. Concomitantly, States also intensely cooperated to combat transnational serious crimes, especially those committed by organized criminal groups.

European countries and Japan have been particularly engaged in these international initiatives. Since the early 1990s, the EU has emerged as a key actor, often in concert with either regional or global initiatives, as well as in support of bilateral partnerships with non-EU countries. Japan is also a driving force behind international efforts to ensure accountability. It is for example not only party to the Rome Statute, but also the highest single contributor to the ICC. It is also one of the few countries that agreed to conclude a bilateral treaty on mutual legal assistance with the EU, opening doors for closer cooperation in criminal matters. If Europeans and Japanese have been particularly engaged, they have nonetheless maintained distinct approaches.





## Workshop on European and Japanese Approaches to International Criminal Justice

The two roundtables are based on a book project that seeks to offer a new perspective on European and Japanese approaches to international criminal justice. Contributors are invited to conduct a transversal analysis examining the respective positions of the EU and Japan towards international criminal justice, and how the two partners build on their existing collaboration to promote international criminal justice. Exchanges are to help pinpoint similarities and/or divergences in the respective approaches. Singularly, all contributions are jointly written by EUand Japan-based scholars thus combining their expertise.

#### EVENT PROGRAM- DAY 4 - THURSDAY MARCH 7, 2024

Venue: Institute for European Studies-ULB Avenue Franklin D. Roosevelt 39 1050, Brussels (BELGIUM)

08:30 - 09:00	Registration & Welcome Coffee
09:00 - 09:15	<b>Welcome Words by H.E.M. Kazutoshi AIKAWA,</b> Ambassadeur, Chief of the Mission of Japan to the European Union
09:15 - 09:30	Introductory Session
	Furuya Shuichi (Waseda),
	Anne Weyembergh & Chloé Brière (IEE-ULB)
	General Introduction
	Irene Wieczorek (Durham University) - online & Dimitri Vanoverbeke (University of Tokyo) - online Influence of memory in shaping the approaches

to international criminal justice



## Workshop on

# European and Japanese Approaches to International Criminal Justice

#### EVENT PROGRAM- DAY 4 - THURSDAY MARCH 7, 2024

09:30-11:00 Chair	Session 1 @ Kant Room Comparative and Collaborative Approaches to Serious and Organized Crimes - Part I Anne Weyembergh (IEE-ULB)
	Kodai Hashimoto (Nanzan University) - online & Anthony Rizzo (CDE-ULB) Japanese and EU definitions of, and policies on organized crime
	Shinya Onogami (Toyo University) - online & Julia Burchett (CDE-ULB) Japanese and EU definitions of, and policies on terrorism
	<b>Yoshisuke Ito (Hiroshima Shudo University)</b> - TBC <b>&amp; Chloé Brière (IEE-ULB)</b> Japanese and EU definitions of, and policies on corruption
	<b>Mona Giacometti (UCLouvain)</b> Japanese and EU definitions of, and policies on cybercrime
11:00-11:15	Coffee Break





## Workshop on

## European and Japanese Approaches to International Criminal Justice

#### EVENT PROGRAM- DAY 4 - THURSDAY MARCH 7, 2024

11:15-12:45	Session 2 @ Kant Room Comparative and Collaborative Approaches
	to Serious and Organized Crimes - Part II
Chair	Chloé Brière (IEE-ULB)

Kazuaki Shintani (Japan Coast Guard Academy) - online & Valsamis Mitsilegas (University of Liverpool) - online Japanese and EU definitions of, and policies on money laundering

# Masami Okaue (Aoyamagakuin University) & Anne Weyembergh (IEE-ULB)

Japanese and EU definitions of, and policies on smuggling and trafficking in human beings

Wilhelm Vosse (International Christian University) Japanese and EU definitions of, and policies on, hate crimes

Shin Matsuzawa (Waseda University) - online & Ricardo Perreira (Cardiff University) Japanese and EU definitions of, and policies on environmental crimes

12:45-13:45

Lunch Break



## Workshop on

## European and Japanese Approaches to International Criminal Justice

#### EVENT PROGRAM- DAY 4 - THURSDAY MARCH 7, 2024

13:45 - 15:15	Session 3 @ Kant Room
	Comparative and Collaborative Approaches
	to International Core Crimes - Part II

Chair Shuichi Furuya (Waseda)

Araceli Turmo (Université de Nantes) & Megumi Ochi (Ritsumeikan University) - online Japanese and EU approaches to the limits of prosection

**Robert Roth (Université de Genève)** Japanese and EU approaches to the ICC

Yurika Ishii (National Defense Academy of Japan) - online & Vaios Koutroulis (CDI-ULB) Japanese and EU definitions of, and policies on crimes of aggression

Laure Baudrihaye-Gérard (CDI-ULB) - TBC & Hiromi Sato (National Defense Academy) Japanese and EU approaches to the rights of suspects and accused persons

15:15 - 15:30

**Coffee Break** 





## Workshop on

## European and Japanese Approaches to International Criminal Justice

#### EVENT PROGRAM- DAY 4 - THURSDAY MARCH 7, 2024

5:30 - 16:30	Session 4 @ Kant Room Comparative and Collaborative Approaches
	to International Core Crimes - Part II
Chair	Shuichi Furuya (Waseda)
	Adam Lazowski (University of Westminster)
	Japanese and EU approaches to the the rights of victims of international crimes
	Nicole Visco Comandini (University of Luxembourg) - online & Mari Takeuchi (Kobe University)
	Japanese and EU approaches to the exercise of jurisdiction for crimes committed extraterritorially
16:30 - 17:00	<b>Workshop conclusions</b> Furuya Shuichi (Waseda),
	Anne Weyembergh & Chloé Brière (IEE-ULB)







#### EVENT PROGRAM- DAY 4 - THURSDAY MARCH 7 2024



The Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) is the largest research funding agency in Japan. Funding opportunities are available to all fields for research at all Japanese universities and public research institutions. Staff from JSPS Strasbourg and JSPS alumni will be present to answer questions about fellowship opportunities and life in Japan.

Chair	JSPS Information Session @ Geremek Room Jean-Louis Moortgat (WBO)
14:00 - 14:45	<b>Introduction</b> <b>Kazuhiko Saigo</b> (Director of JSPS Strasbourg) <i>Opening Remarks</i>
	<b>Ayano Harada</b> (JSPS Strasbourg) Introduction of JSPS International Programs
14:45 - 15:30	Shared Experiences from former JSPS Fellows FRENOZ François (National Agricultural Research Organisation) CLAES Arnaud (UCLouvain, Institut Langage et Communication) VANDENHEUVEL Dieter (UA, Bioscience Engineering) DESCOUVEMONT Pierre (ULB, Faculté des Sciences)
15:30 - 16:00	Q&A

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#### Academic Coordinators



**Dr. Paul Bacon** is a tenured Professor of International Relations and a Jean Monnet Chair at the Faculty of International Research and Education, Waseda University, Tokyo. His research interests include the SDGs, human security, the EU, EU–Japan relations, liberal international order, and human rights norm diffusion. Bacon has published four co-edited Routledge monographs: The European Union and Japan: A New Chapter in Civilian Power Cooperation?; Human Security and Natural Disasters; Human Security and Japan's Triple Disaster (all in 2016); and The Sustainable Development Goals: Diffusion and Contestation in Asia and Europe, in 2023. He has published many articles, in leading and respected academic journals such as Journal of Common Market Studies, Asian Security, and International Relations of the Asia-Pacific. He is currently working on a Jean Monnet Network project on the critical reception of the EU Indo-Pacific Strategy in several key Indo-Pacific states. He is also working on a JSPS Kakenhi project with colleagues from the University of Tokyo which focuses on the EU and FIMI (foreign information manipulation and interference).

**Chloé Brière** is a professor of EU law at the Centre for European Law and an affiliated member of the IEE (Université libre de Bruxelles). Since 2019, she has been holding the chair in European law, teaching, researching, and supervising students in the Faculty of Law and Criminology. She is an active member of the Centre de Droit Européen (CDE), which she was the director of till September 2023 when she became director of the Institut d'études européennes (IEE). Her doctoral research focused on the European legal framework concerning the fight against Trafficking in Human Beings and its promotion outside the European Union's borders. Her research interests include other aspects of European Union Law, such as EU Criminal Law, EU external relations law, EU migration law, and the free movement of persons.





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#### Academic Coordinators



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