

**23 Dec, 10 pm, Room 423**  
**One and a Half Centuries in the History of Russia and Japan:**  
**The Epoch of Great Transformations**

Wada Haruki (Professor Emeritus, University of Tokyo)  
Modern Russia and Japan: Crossing and Benefiting Historical Paths of Neighbors

Mescheryakov Alexander (RSUH)  
Meiji reforms from Russian Perspective: the Reinterpretation of Sea

Kimura Takashi (Professor Emeritus, Kyoto University)  
Premodern Concepts “*Kokutai*” as the Inseparable inherent Elements of Modernization in the Historical Process of Japan

Aoshima Yoko (Kobe University)  
A Comparative Study of Russia’s “Great Reforms” and Japan’s Meiji “Restoration”

Tolstoguzov Sergei (Hiroshima University).  
Meiji Restoration and Russian 1917 Revolution. Towards the comparative study of the events.

Sarkisov Konstantin (Professor Emeritus, Yamanashi Gakuin University)  
Japan and Omsk Government. A part of Japan's intervention in Siberia. (Sept. 1918 - Dec. 1919)

Shulatov Yaroslav (Hiroshima City University)  
Japan during the first quarter of 20th century: on the path to a “great power”

Grishachev Sergey (RSUH).  
Conservative turn and counter-reforms in Japan during the 1930-s

Panov Alexander (MGIMO-University)  
Democratic transformations in post-war Japan

Shimotomai Nobuo, Kobayashi Akina. (Hosei University)  
The “Thaw” and reforming attempts in the USSR during the Cold War.

Murashkin Nikolai (University of Cambridge)  
Great Transformations in Russia and Japan after the Cold War: Liberal or Conservative?

Streltsov Dmitry (MGIMO-University)  
Social, political and economic transformation in today’s Japan: the Heisei revolution

Iwashita Akihiro (Kyushu University & Hokkaido University)  
Japan’s Borders: Challenges and Prospects

Belov Andrey (Fukui Prefectural University)  
Path dependence in Japan-Russia trade: Evidence from over a century of bilateral relations

Chugrov Sergey (MGIMO-University)  
Mutual perception of Japan and Russia: How we look at each other