



Second Call for Papers and Field-Trip Participation

December 16, 2012

The International Geographical Union (IGU) 2013 Kyoto Regional Conference (KRC) will be held on August 4-9, 2013 at Kyoto International Conference Center, Kyoto, Japan. The IGU Commission on Political Geography (CPG) will organize paper sessions and a post-conference field trip. The deadline for abstract submission is **January 15, 2013**. For the information about the KRC, please look at <http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>

I. Main Conference Sessions at Kyoto

CPG will organize the following eight sessions. CPG session proposals can be found at:

http://oguchaylab.csis.u-tokyo.ac.jp/IGU2013/session_proposals.html#c12.33

1. Re-theorizing territory, sovereignty, and space
2. New frontiers in border studies
3. Migrations and the spatial reconceptualisation of citizenship
4. Localizing social movement in a globalizing world
5. Militarization and de-militarization from a comparative perspective (connected to the themes of the post-conference field trip to Okinawa shown below)
6. Critical perspectives on political geography
7. Contemporary political geography and geopolitics in Asia
8. Contemporary political geography implications for inner seas cooperation and regional change [Joint session with the Commission on Mediterranean Basin]

II. Post-Conference Field Trip to Okinawa

After the main Conference, the field trip to Okinawa will be organized on August 10-12. The trip will focus on the militarization and demilitarization of the semi-tropical island as a site for US military presence in the western Pacific

(see <http://www.pref.okinawa.jp/site/chijiko/kichitai/25185.html>). The itinerary is as follows:

Day 1 (August 10): The Militarization of the Okinawa Island

Move from Kyoto to the Itami Airport by airport limousine bus (arranged by participants themselves). Arrive at the Naha Airport, Okinawa. Visit to the USMC Futenma Air Station, the USAF Kadena Air Base, and the military base town of Koza with an optional night tour in Koza.

Day 2 (August 11): The De-militarization of the Island

Visit to "American Village" (Americanized resort and shopping complex), Yomitan Village (plans for de-militarization), Kin Town (another military base town), and Henoko (oppositional movement against militarization).

Day 3 (August 12):

Move back to Naha (for sightseeing and/or returning flight).

The maximum number of participants will be 20. The estimated total cost for the trip is approximately 35,000 yen **without airfare**, which can be paid by credit card. **Flights to/from Okinawa (Naha) need to be arranged by participants themselves as part of their international round trip to Japan.** If you are interested in participating in the trip, please email the following information (express of interest) to Takashi Yamazaki [<yamataka@lit.osaka-cu.ac.jp>](mailto:yamataka@lit.osaka-cu.ac.jp). The further information about the trip will be emailed back to you when early registration for the conference closes (April 10, 2013).

Name:

Email address:

Number of accompanying persons and their names:

Title of conference presentation:

Dietary or other special requirements:

For those who have any questions about the CPG sessions and field trip, please contact Takashi Yamazaki [<yamataka@lit.osaka-cu.ac.jp>](mailto:yamataka@lit.osaka-cu.ac.jp)