JAPAN WITHIN ASIAN ECONOMIC INTEGRATION

Assessing recent transformations

International seminar to be held at EHESS

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THE PURPOSE OF THE SEMINAR

This meeting is part of a long term exchange between Japanese and French Scholars that have been using a regulationist approach in order to analyze the specificities of Japanese capitalism. Nowadays, the project focuses upon the emerging relations between the re-composition of the Japanese economy and the de facto growing economic integration in Asia. This is a follow-up of previous seminars held in Yokohama and Fukuoka in 2008.

The themes to be discussed will be the following.

1. After two decades of institutional transformations, is a new growth regime emerging in Japan?

2. What are the new methodological issues to be addressed at in order to cope with the specificities of Asian capitalisms?

3. How does Asian economic integration shape the redesign of national institutional configurations?

THE PROGRAM OF THE SEMINAR

Each presenter will be given 20mn for its presentation and after each three presentations a discussant will make comments during 15mn and then the floor will be open for general discussion and replies form the paper presenters during 15mn.

9 h – 9 h 30: Welcome address by the organizers
Sebastien Lechevalier, Pascal Petit, Robert Boyer
9 h 30 – 11 h 00: The institutional transformations of the Japanese economy
- Toshio Yamada (Kyushu Sangyo University)
  How Has the Japanese Mode of Regulation Changed?: Fate of the Companyism
  (co-authored with Yasuro Hirano)

- Akinori Isogai (Kyushu University)
  The Transformation of the Japanese Corporate System and the Hierarchical Nexus of Institutions

- Hironori Toyama (Shizuoka University)
  The Labor and Financial Market, and Welfare Spending: A comparative Study
  with Special Emphasis on Japan

Discussant: Benjamin Coriat (University of Paris 13 - CEPN)

11 h – 11 h 30: Coffee break

11 h 30 – 13 h 20: New methodological issues
- Takayuki Nakahara (International Buddhist University)
  The political Economy of Conflict and Regulation: toward the Methodological Integration of "the political" and "the economic"

- Hiroki Yokota (University of Paris 13, CEPN)
  Heterogeneity of firms and a national representative firm model: Revisiting Japanese firm model

- Sébastien Lechevalier (EHESS)

- Tomoaki Eguchi (Hosei University)
  An Essay on methodological and theoretical foundations of analyzing the socioeconomic system in Asian developing countries using institutional approaches of recent years: from the perspective of the relationship between informal institutions and reproductive process.

Discussant: Olivier Weinstein (University of Paris 13 - CEPN)

13 h 20 – 14 h 30: Lunch

14 h 30 – 16 h 30: Regional issues
- Norio Tokumaru (Nagoya University of Commerce & Business)
  Technological capability and competitiveness in East Asia

- Yuji Harada (Nagoya Keizai University)
  The Variety of Asian Economies: Institutions, Industrial Structure, and Economic Performance" co-authored with H. Tohyama

- Lei Song (Beijing University)
  Regional cooperation and capability building of China’s industries in the age of modularity
Robert Boyer (CEPREMAP, GREDEG)
The impact of the growth and innovation strategies of China upon the world economy

Discussant: Pascal Petit (University of Paris 13, CEPN-CNRS)

16 h 30– 17 h 00: Coffee break

17 h 00- 19 h 00:

What growth regime for Japan in the Asian context?
Shinya Fujita (Nagoya University)
Demand-led Growth and Technological Progress in Two-sector Model from the Viewpoint of Cumulative Causation

Hiroshi Nishi (Hannan University)
The Consequences of the Internationalization of Trade and the Development of Financial Transactions upon Growth: Mixing the Institutional Hierarchy Hypothesis with a Keynes-Minsky Approach

Hiroyasu Uemura (Yokohama National University)
Growth, Distribution and Institutional Changes in the Japanese Economy: A New Regime with Increasing Interdependence with Asian Countries

Discussant: Jacques Mazier (CEPN, University Paris13)

19 h 00 – 19 h 30 : Wrapping up: What to do next?
Hiroyasu Uemura, Toshio Yamada, Robert Boyer

PRACTICAL INFORMATIONS

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