





International Symposium Peacemakers or Powder Monkeys – the Role of the Media in PostWWII History Debates in Europe and Northeast Asia

Date and time: April 5, 2008, 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Place: Goethe-Institut Japan, 7-5-56 Akasaka, Minato-ku. Tokyo 107-0052

Co-organized by: -- Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Tokyo Office (FES)

-- International Center for the Study of Historical Reconciliation

at Tokyo Keizai University (TKU)
-- Goethe-Institut Japan in Tokyo

In recent months, leaders in China, Korea and Japan have been making efforts to put a difficult past behind them. But is this the beginning of a permanent reconciliation in Northeast Asia or just a lull in an ongoing war of words? This month, a dispute over contaminated dumplings imported from China unleashed a torrent of such unrelentingly critical coverage in the Japanese media that an official visit by Chinese President Hu Jintao had to be postponed. The US Marine Corps dictionary defines a powder monkey as one who carries explosives to gun crews on a battleship. Reporters everywhere have plied their trade by stoking the fires of nationalism. But is the media not capable of promoting peace? Japanese, Chinese, and Korean reporters have been meeting for years in attempts to confront the past. In Europe, ARTE TV funded by French and German tax-payers, beams programs on public affairs and the arts, simultaneously in two languages. Might a similar multi-lingual network be established in Asia one day? Or should we pin our hopes on the Internet to help forge shared perceptions of past and future?

Keynote speakers:

Hans-Robert Eisenhauer, ZDF; former deputy chief of programming ARTE Yoshibumi Wakamiya, chief editorial writer, Asahi Shimbun;

Panelists:

Chung Ku-Chong, President, Donga.com, Seoul

Iris Georlette, blogger, Japan correspondent, Haaretz.com

William Horsley, former BBC bureau chief, Tokyo, Bonn

Shigenori Kanehira, editor, TBS nightly news hour

Yasushi Kudo, founder Genron NPO, coordinator of annual China-Japan media meetings

Masahiko Motoki, editor OhMyNews Japan

Park Cheol-Hee, professor, political science, Seoul National University

Haruki Wada, professor emeritus, Tokyo University, former director, Asian Women's Fund

Program

10:00 – 10:15	Registration and Greetings Markus WERNHARD, Head of Arts, Goethe-Institut Tokyo Andrew HORVAT, Visiting Professor, Tokyo Keizai University TBA Japan Representative, Friedrich Ebert Foundation
10:15 – 12:00	Roundtable: The Internet: Bridge or Barrier to Forging a Shared Vision of the Past in Northeast Asia Dr Chung Kuchong, President, Donga.com, Iris Georlette, blogger, Japan correspondent, Haaretz.com Masahiko Motoki, editor OhMyNews Japan Haruki Wada, professor emeritus, Tokyo University, former director, Asian Women's Fund, creator of AWF's digital archives
12:00 - 13:00	lunch break
13:00 – 14:45	Panel 1: The Art of ARTE – Telling the Same Story to Two Audiences
	Speaker: Hans-Robert Eisenhauer, ZDF; former deputy chief of programming at the joint French-German TV network ARTE; producer; "Why We Fight," winner of prize for best documentary at Sundance Film Festival 2005 Panelists: Shigenori Kanehira; editor, TBS nightly news hour William Horsley; formerly BBC bureau chief, Tokyo, Bonn
14:45 – 15:15	Coffee Break
15:15 - 17:00	Panel 2: Can Journalists be Peacemakers?
	Speaker: Yoshibumi Wakamiya, chief editorial writer, the Asahi Shimbun; author of The Postwar Conservative View of Asia: How the Political Right has Delayed Japan's Coming to Terms With its History of Aggression in Asia Panelists: Yasushi Kudo; founder and head, Genron NPO Park Cheol-Hee; professor, political science, Seoul National University
17:00 – 17:30	Free discussion
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「平和の推進者」かあるいは「パウダーモンキー」か -戦後史におけるメディアの役割

2008年4月5日(土) ドイツ文化センターホール

10:00 - 10:15 受付、ご挨拶

マルクス・ヴェルンハルト(ドイツ文化センター文化部長) アンドリュー・ホルバート(東京経済大学経済学部客員教授)

10:15 - 12:00 ラウンドテーブル「インターネットは北東アジアの過去に対する認識の

共有を推進する架け橋となるか、あるいは障壁となるか」

鄭 求宗(東亜ドットコム社長)

アイリス・ジョーレット (ブロガー、Haaretz.com 日本特派員)

元木昌彦(「オーマイニュース」編集長)

和田 春樹 (東京大学名誉教授)

司会:アンドリュー・ホルバート(東京経済大学経済学部客員教授)

12:00 – 13:00 ランチブレイク

13:00 - 14:45 パネルディスカッション第1部

「ARTE の手法― 同じストーリーを2つの視聴者グループに発信する」

講演:ハンス・ローベルト・アイゼンハウアー (ZDF/ARTE)

パネリスト:

金平茂紀(TBS報道局長)

ウィリアム・ホーズレー(BBC東京およびボンの元局長)

司会:サーラ・スヴェン(東京大学)

14:45 - 15:15 コーヒーブレイク

15:15 - 17:00 パネルディスカッション第2部

「ジャーナリストは平和の推進者たりえるか」 講演:若宮啓文(朝日新聞社コラムニスト)

パネリスト:

工藤泰志(言論 NPO 代表)

朴 詰熙 (ソウル大学教授、政治学)

司会:ウィリアム・ホーズレー(BBC 東京およびボンの元局長)

17:00 - 17:30 フリーディスカッション

17:30 レセプション

(講演者、パネリストの経歴は別紙をご参照ください。アルファベット表記のお名前順です。)