

**JAPANESE-GERMAN CENTER BERLIN [JDZB]
THE INSTITUTE OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES, TOKYO**

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

for the symposium

The Future of the Periphery?

**A European-Japanese Symposium on Forgotten Territories
in Japan and Europe**

September 19-21, 2007

at the JDZB, Saargemuender Strasse 2, 14195 Berlin

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Wednesday, September 19

- 09.00 h **Welcome**
Dr. Friederike BOSSE (JDZB)
- 09.15 h **Opening Remarks**
Prof. emeritus Dr. Klaus R. KUNZMANN (University of Dortmund)
Dr. KUROKAWA Takeshi (Institute of Behavioral Sciences)
Gerhard STEINTJES (Ministry for Infrastructure and Spatial Planing,
Brandenburg)
- Session 1:
The Periphery in Europe and Japan: Context, Causes and Policies**
- 10.15 h **Caring for Forgotten Territories in Germany: The Role of the Federal
Government**
Manfred SINZ (Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Affairs)
- 10.45 h *Coffee break*
- 11.00 h **Shrinking Cities in Japan and Germany: A Comparative View**
Prof. Dr. Winfried FLÜCHTER (University of Duisburg-Essen)
- 11.30 h **Remote Islands. Forgotten Territories of Japan**
HORI Hajimu (National Institute for Japanese Islands)
- 12.00 h **Discussion**
- 12.30 h *Lunch*

**Session 2:
Accessibility and Public Services in Rural Areas**

- 14.00 h **Policies to Sustain Accessibility in Rural Japan**
Dr. MURAKAMI Kayo (Newcastle University)
- 14.30 h **Information and Communications Technologies and Places Left Behind**
Prof. Michael LUGER (Manchester Business School)
- 15.00 h **Q&A**
- 15.30 h *Coffee break*

**Session 3:
Chances and Achievements of Regional Development**

- 16.00 h **How Scotland Plans for the Periphery**
Greame PURVES (Scottish Executive Development Department)
- 16.30 h **Problems and Achievements of Rural Development in Japan: Okinawa's Case**
Prof. Dr. ENOKIDO Keisuke (Ryukyu University)
- 17.00 h **Regional Development in Brandenburg in Times of Scarce Resources:
The Case of Barnim County**
Dr. Wilhelm BENFER (County Development Office, Eberswalde)
- 17.30 h **Q&A**
- 18.00 h *Dinner*

Thursday, September 20**Session 4:
Tourism Policies**

- 10.00 h **Tourism Policies for Rural Regions in Japan**
Prof. Dr. GOTO Haruhiko (Waseda University)
- 10.30 h **The Tourism Policy of Brandenburg**
Martin LINSEN (Ministry for Economics, Brandenburg), asked
- 11.00 h **Q&A**
- 11.30 h Special lecture, t.b.d.
- 12.00 h *lunch*

**Session 5:
Scenarios for Forgotten Territories**

- 13.30 h **European peripherality: a slippery concept and a moving target**
Andrew COPUS (Nordregio, Sweden)
- 14.00 h **Strategic Regional Development in the Periphery in the Population Declining
Society**
Prof. Dr. Takashi ONISHI (University of Tokyo)
- 14.30 h **Forgotten Territories in Europe**
Prof. emeritus Dr. Klaus R. KUNZMANN (University of Dortmund)
- 15.00 h **Final Discussion**
- 16.00 h End of symposium
- 19.00 h Dinner for speakers and organizers

Friday, September 21**Study Tour: Meeting Stakeholders and Citizens in Rural Brandenburg**

A guided one day tour to learn about present and future challenges in rural areas with presentations from local mayors and county planners

