CALL FOR PAPERS!

The pre-seminar session for young researchers in the studies related to sustainable development of the Russian Far North and the Arctic

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We are pleased to announce a call for papers for a pre-seminar session for young researchers in the studies related to sustainable development of the Russian Far North and the Arctic to be held in Tokyo on January 31, 2015 on the day of the seminar hosted by the Japan-Finland bilateral project "Russia's final energy frontier – Sustainability challenges of the Russian Far North," funded by JSPS and the Academy of Finland.¹

This project aims to examine sustainability of the development of the Russian Far North based on oil and gas development. Topics to be included in the project are broad, including oil and gas development in the Russian Arctic and Far Northern areas; future use of the Northern Sea Route; international politics and relations in the Arctic; social and environmental responsibility of the hydrocarbon sector; environmental situation of the Russian Far North and the Arctic; future role of international companies in the development of the Russian Far North; budgetary relations between the center and these areas; energy developments and rights of indigenous people in the Russian Far North; and demographic trends in these areas. Members of the project include top specialists in these fields in Japan and Finland.² At the seminar on January 31, 2015, some members of this project will present the preliminary results of their research. The program of the seminar will be announced on the website of the Slavic-Eurasian Research Center at the beginning of December.

The aim of the pre-seminar session is to provide an arena for young researchers, including doctoral students and post-doctoral and junior researchers, to introduce their work among Arctic studies to scholars from Japan and Finland, to promote the exchange of opinions and ideas, as well as to facilitate the building of networks among the global community.

We are planning to select 3 papers for this session and successful panelists will be provided a round trip coach airfare to and from their residence in Japan and Tokyo and local accommodation.³ We do not cover international airfares.

At this time, we cordially invite you to submit an abstract (250-300 words max.) and a C.V. by no later than December 7, 2014 and a full paper by January 18, 2015. Successful candidates will be notified no later than December 19, 2014.

Please submit your abstract and C.V. to Masanori Goto (goto@slav.hokudai.ac.jp). All inquiries can also be sent to the above email address as well.

¹ Principal investigators are Shinichiro Tabata, SRC, for the Japanese side and Veli-Pekka Tynkkynen, University of Helsinki, for the Finnish side.

² The list of members in Japanese is located at http://src-h.slav.hokudai.ac.jp/coop/tabata1.html.

³ If you belong to the institutes or organizations located in foreign countries (e.g. doctoral students of foreign universities), we cannot cover these expenses due to the rule of the expenditure for this bilateral project. In this case, please contact us in advance.