

Joint Webinar by Four Japanese National Universities
for Early-Career Researchers

Research in Europe



France



Belgium



Germany



Sweden

Your Next Research Destination.

To promote research stays in Europe by young Japanese researchers, four national universities will jointly host a webinar. This is a great opportunity to learn about the European research environment and funding schemes for early-career researchers.

Senior researchers who support international mobility are also welcome!

- Insights from Japanese researcher in Europe
- Funding opportunities by JSPS
- Information from institutions in Belgium, Germany, France, and Sweden

DATE

18 February
(Wed.) **2026**

TIME

17:00 - 19:30
(Japan Time)

EVENT FORMAT

Online

Drop-in/drop-out is welcome

LANGUAGE

English

Q&A in Japanese available

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**Early-career
Researchers**

(graduate students, postdocs, etc.)
from the Four Organizing
Universities

REGISTRATION



<https://forms.office.com/r/KP51zT0BzA>

Deadline : 12 February

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PROGRAMME

* Each part will include a Q&A session.

* Presenters and presenting institutions are subject to change.

17:00 Opening remarks

Eri Anno

URA, Office of Research Management,
Kobe University

17:05 Keynote

Ken Matsumoto

Senior Scientist, Vrije Universiteit Brussel
Science Fellow, The Mission of Japan to the EU

17:20 JSPS funding programs

Shota Ito

Dupty Director, JSPS Bonn Office

17:35 Research in Belgium

Lieve Ongena

Senior Policy Manager, VIB

Hideaki Mizuno

Professor, Faculty of Science, KU Leuven

18:00 Research in Germany

Axel Karpenstein

DAAD Tokyo

Shuta Watanabe

Christiane Wüllner

RUB Research School, Ruhr University Bochum

Jörn Benzinger

Bettina Dinter

International Exchange Programs,
RWTH Aachen University

18:35 Research in France

Jean-Baptiste Bordes

Attaché for Science and Technology,
Embassy of France in Japan

(TBC)

University of Strasbourg

19:00 Research in Sweden

Laura Barbieri

Science Fellow, Japan and South Korea, STINT

Peter Lindblad

Professor, Department of Chemistry,
Uppsala University

19:25 Closing remarks

Hisayuki Sakata

Stockholm Liaison Office, Kyushu University

Moderators : **Yusaku Nishijima** Bochum Office, University of Tsukuba

Chiyoko Kanno Kyoto University European Center

Yuri Ohara Kyoto University Office of Research Acceleration