Call for Papers: The 30th Annual Conference
of the Japan Academy for Asian Market Economies (JAFAME)

December 2025

To all members of the Japan Academy for Asian Market Economies

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Chair, Organizing Committee

The 30th Annual Conference (Doshisha University)

Dear Members,

As the year draws to a close, we hope this message finds you well. At the 3rd Board Meeting held on 23rd November 2025, we are pleased to announce that the 30th Annual Conference of the Japan Academy for Asian Market Economies (JAFAME) for the 2026 academic year will be held under the unified theme: **"Learning with Asia, Embracing the World: How to Leverage the 'Maturity' of Japanese Companies and Towns"**.

In the current era of declining birth rates and an ageing population, the 'maturity' of Japan's economic society is sometimes perceived as 'ageing'. The purpose of this conference theme is to explore hints for harnessing Japan's maturity positively while learning alongside Asia, and for enriching Japan's maturity by welcoming people from around the world into the country. Discussions to get some clue under this unified theme will be meaningful if they provide opportunities to grasp the prospect of fostering prosperous industries, markets, and promising talent for the future of Asia and Japan.

We invite members to prepare presentations on themes related to the above topic, drawing from your own research or collaborative activities with local communities in your place of residence or affiliated institution. We encourage you to present analyses and theoretical frameworks on Japan-Asia relations from fresh perspectives, along with methods for social implementation of useful insights. Through vigorous discussion with participants, we hope to contribute to the development of this society and, more broadly, to the economic and social advancement of Asia and Japan. This would fulfil the purpose of establishing a conference theme.

Finally, as the organizing committee for this conference, we sincerely look forward to welcoming many participants and receiving active presentations.

Yours sincerely,

HAYASHIDA Hideki

Conference Information

1. Dates

- Saturday, 27 June 2026: Free-topic presentations / Unified Theme- topic presentations, General Meeting, and Networking Reception
- Sunday, 28 June 2026: Free Topic Presentations

2. Venue

Imadegawa Campus, Doshisha University (Kyoto, Japan) (In-person event)

Call for Presentations (Theme Session / Free Topic Session)

3. How to Apply

Apply here (Google Form):

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe33NRFsBWx9-cEQSV8QhKjkAhMtqH6dTZB3Pd3jP5GOAb4Hw/viewform?usp=publish-editor

After we receive your application, we will send you the templates for (i) a review abstract and (ii) a publication abstract.

4. Contact for Application Inquiries

Vice-Chair, Organizing Committee: KOU Kouka (Kyoto Women's University)

E-mail: kok@kyoto-wu.ac.jp

5. Application Deadline

~~Saturday, 31st January~~ 2026 → **Sunday, 15th February 2026**

Submission of Abstracts and Notification of Acceptance

6. Documents to Submit

Those who wish to present are required to submit the following two documents:

(i) An abstract for review (A4, 4pages): please include background, research question, objectives, methods, results, discussion, and conclusions.

(ii) An abstract for publication (A4,1page): This abstract will be included in the conference materials.

7. Submission Address:

Chair, Program Committee: KAMEOKA Kyoko (Nagoya Gakuin University)

E-mail: kameokak@ngu.ac.jp

8. Submission Deadline

Tuesday, 31st March 2026

9. Review and Notification of Acceptance

Eligibility for presentation will be determined based on the abstract submitted for review. Applicants will be notified of the results in mid-April 2026. The review criteria align with those for peer review (relevance/contribution, novelty, usefulness, reliability, completeness).

Oral Presentation Awards (Domestic Session/International Session)

An Oral Presentation Award has been established in the 2023 academic year. Awards will be evaluated based on the abstract submitted for review and the content of the presentation delivered on the day. Recipients of the Society Award, Encouragement Award, and Graduate Student Award will be announced at a later date.

Important Dates

- Presentation Proposal Deadline: 31 January 2026
- Abstract Submission Deadline: 31 March 2026
- Notification of Acceptance: Mid-April 2026
- Conference Dates: 27–28 June 2026