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International Symposium

Italy and Japan: Relations and Exchanges through the Arts

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Morning Session

10.00   Opening of the Symposium and Institutional Greetings
        Milan University Vice Rector, Daniela Candia
        Ishibashi Foundation Managing Director, Taiji Nishijima
        Japanese Consul-General in Milan, Makoto Tominaga
        The Japan Cultural Institute in Rome Director, Masuo Nishibayashi
        Department of Cultural Heritage and Environment Director, Alberto Bentoglio
        **Official Donation by the Ishibashi Foundation to the Library of Cultural Heritage and Environment Department of 300 Volumes of Japanese Art and Culture.**

1. Panel: **Historical and Diplomatic Relations in the Art Field**

11.00-11.30  1962-2018: The Role of Japan Cultural Institute in Rome in Japan-Italy Art Relation
              (Masuo Nishibayashi, Director of The Japanese Cultural Institute in Rome)

11.30-11.50  Coffee break

11.50-12.20  Broadcasting and Art: Creating Cultural Experiences and Strengthening Global Connections
              (Koichiro Fukuyama, Deputy Head, Cultural Promotions Center, NHK - Japan Broadcasting Corporation)

12.20-12.50  Italy and Japan: Creativity, Design and Excellence
              (Andrea Illy, Chairman of Altagamma)

13.00-14.00  Lunch
Afternoon Session

2. Panel: *Art and artists travelling to Japan and Italy between the 16th and 19th Century*

14.00-14.30  *Italian Influence on Japanese Art between the 16th and 19th Century*  
(Yasumasa Oka, Director of Kobe City Koiso Memorial Museum of Art and Kobe Artists Museum)

14.30-15.00  *Kiyo Kawamura, A Japanese International Artist*  
(Motoaki Ishii, Professor at Osaka University of Arts)

15.00-15.30  *Japanese Style Painting in the Early 20th Century in Relation with Italy*  
(Ryo Furuta, Curator of Tokyo University of the Arts Museum)

15.30-15.50  Coffee break

15.50-16.20  *Henry of Bourbon Count of Bardi in Meiji Japan. From His Travels to the Foundation of the Museo d’Arte Orientale di Venezia*  
(Marta Boscolo Marchi, Director of Museo d’Arte Orientale di Venezia)

16.20-16.50  *The Italian Influence on the History of Japanese Photography*  
(Hiroshi Yano, Director of Japan Camera Museum Tokyo)

16.50-17.20  *From Intercultural Encounters to Artistic Relations Between Italy and Japan*  
(Shigetoshi Osano, Professor at Tokyo University)

17.20-18.00  Discussion
3. Panel: **Collections and collectors**

9.30-10.00  **Oriental Dreams – The Japanese Collection of Frederick Stibbert in Florence**
             (Riccardo Franci, Curator of Museo Stibbert in Florence)

10.00-10.30 **Vincenzo Ragusa: from Kobu Bijutsu Gakko to the Scuola d’Arte Applicata all’Industria in Palermo**
             (Loretta Paderni, Coordinator of Museo della Civiltà-Museo Nazionale Preistorico Etnografico "Luigi Pigorini" in Rome, Curator of Asian collections)

10.30-11.00 **From Tadao Matsudaira’s Tomb to Venice: the Story of a Wedding Glass Beaker**
             (Ryusei Kandori, Curator of Kota City Board of Education, Archaeologist)

11.00-11.20 **Coffee break**

11.20-11.50 **A Buddhist Scroll and the First Vatican Ambassador in Japan**
             (Luigi Serafini, Artist and Designer)

11.50-12.20 **Mario De Biasi: Japan in the Eyes and Heart of an Italian Photo-reporter**
             (Silvia De Biasi, Curator of Mario De Biasi Archive)

12.20-12.50 **Kengiro Azuma: from the Japan MU to the Italian YU**
             (Anri Ambrogio Azuma, Architect)

13.00-14.00 **Lunch**
Afternoon Session

4. Panel: **Thinking About Contemporary Art, Design and Cultural Heritage**

14.00-14.30  Japan and Italy: Stories of Countermeasures to Preserve Architectural Heritage from Earthquakes
(Eisuke Nishikawa, Project manager, Site Unit, ICCROM)

14.30-15.00  The Critical Approach to the Diffusion of Japanese Culture in Italy After the “Esposizione d’Arte Giapponese” in Rome
(Raffaele De Berti, Professor at University of Milan)

15.00-15.30  Art and Fashion: A Bridge Connecting Italy and Japan
(Stefania Ricci, Director of Museo Salvatore Ferragamo and Fondazione Ferragamo)

15.30-15.50  Coffee break

15.50-16.50  5. Panel Discussion: **Graphic Art & Design, A Reciprocal Influence**

Introduction:
Rossella Menegazzo (Professor at University of Milan)

Tokyo - Milan: A Dialogue Through Art and Design

Guests:
- Shin Matsunaga (Graphic Designer, Tokyo)
  *In Hard Times All of Us Enjoyed and Loved Italian Beauty*
- Eishi Kitazawa (Curator of DNP Foundation for Cultural Promotions, Tokyo)
  *Graphic Encounters between Italy and Japan Through the Exhibitions at Ginza Graphic Gallery*
- Makio Hasuike (Architect and Designer, Milano)
  *Makio Hasuike, Design, Initiative, Research and Innovation*

17.00-18.00  Discussion and Conclusion

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**The Symposium will be held in Italian and Japanese Languages with Simultaneous Translation.**