

CALL FOR PAPERS!

The young researchers' seminar in the studies related to
Russian Far North and the Arctic

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We are pleased to announce a call for papers for young researchers' seminar in the studies related to Russian Far North and the Arctic to be held in Slavic-Eurasian Research Center (SRC), Hokkaido University on July 6, 2016. It is a pre-event of the International Symposium "Russia's Far North: The Contested Frontier". This symposium is hosted by SRC and the Japan-Finland bilateral project "Russia's final energy frontier – Sustainability challenges of the Russian Far North," funded by JSPS and the Academy of Finland¹.

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 Finland². Some members of this project will take part in the symposium on July 7-8, 2016. The program of the seminar will be announced on the website of the Slavic-Eurasian Research Center.

The aim of the young researchers' seminar 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 various countries, to promote the exchange 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. 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 **May 26**, and full paper by **June 20, 2016**. Successful candidates will be notified no later than June 2, 2016.

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>.