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In 2007 the Canon Foundation in Europe will commemorate its 20th year funding European and Japanese researchers.

The Foundation has sponsored up to 245 Visiting Research Fellows, Visiting Professors and Awardees spanning its 20 years existence.

Moving into its third decade, the Foundation will enter a new domain by organising a series of **Invited Lectures**. Dr. Troy Davis, a French citizen, born in Strasbourg has been invited to spearhead this new programme. Three lectures will be given during the course of 2007 on **Global Citizenship** in France, Spain and Belgium. The first lecture was on May 17 at the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid. For the other dates, please check our website for the most up-to-date information.

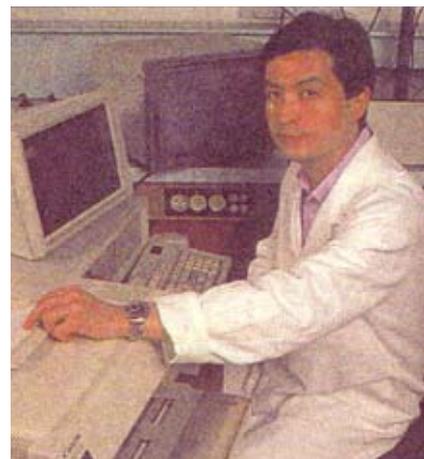


Dr. Troy Davis

Also new in 2007 is a joint sponsored Research Fellowship together with the European University Institute, Italy. This programme will grant one Japanese national or permanent resident of Japan to go to Florence, Italy to carry out research. For more information on the fields of research available, please visit the European University Institute website at www.iue.it/. To read more about this year's successful candidate, please go to the section on the **Co-Sponsored Research Fellowship with the European University Institute, Florence in this Bulletin**.

16 years on....

Canon Fellow **Dr. Yoshinori Masuo** still has contact with his host professor, Dr. William Rostène from Hospital Sainte-Antoine, Paris, from his Fellowship period **back in 1990**. Dr. Rostène was invited to the National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology in Tsukuba,



Dr. Masuo in France back in 1990

Japan from February to March 2007 to take part in seminars and discussions. We understand from Dr. Masuo that future collaboration is planned between French and Japanese researchers. This is positive and encouraging news and confirms that long-lasting links can be built between institutes and individuals. This is one of the major objectives of the Canon Foundation in Europe.



FELLOW MEETING IN WINDSOR
please read more below

Introducing the 2007 Canon Foundation Fellows

Dr. Christopher BELL from Leiden University, Holland will go to the Dept. of Advanced Materials Science at Tokyo University hosted by Prof. Harold Hwang. **Physics:** *Condensed matter physics: Control of superconductivity and metallicity in oxide systems.*

Dr. Peter CARDEN at Sheffield University, UK will go to Keio University. His host will be Prof. Akira Mita at the Faculty of Science and Technology. **Civil Engineering:** *Study of design and application of novel sensors for structural health monitoring of civil infrastructures.*

Ms. Katja CENTONZE from Calabria University, Italy will go to the Tsubouchi Memorial Theatre Museum at Waseda University hosted by Prof. Mikio Takemoto. **Art & Musicology:** *Crossing borders in Japanese Performing Arts.*

Dr. Ryuji HAMAMOTO from Tokyo University will do research at Cambridge University, UK. His host will be Prof. Bruce Ponder. **Medicine:** *Functional analysis of histone methyltransferase during human carcinogenesis.*

Mr. Thorsten HANKE from Edinburgh University, UK plans to do research at Tama Art University, Tokyo at the Institute for Art Anthropology under the guidance of Prof. Mayumi Tsuruoka. **Architecture & Area planning:** *Timber architecture in Europe and Japan: a comparative analysis.*

Priv.-Doz. Dr. habil. Sierk HORN from Leeds University, UK will go to the Institute of Social Science at Tokyo University, with Prof. Michio Nitta as his host. **Psychology:** *Faceted intelligence concept in Japan.*

Dr. Lucie GUIBAULT from the University of Amsterdam, Holland will go to the School of Law at Tohoku University with Prof. Masami Ashidate as her host professor. **Law:** *Looking at the conditions for use of trademarks in comparative advertising.*

Dr. Fawaz ALDABBAGH from the National University of Ireland, Galway, Ireland will go to the Faculty of Engineering at Kobe University hosted by Prof. Masayoshi Okubo. **Chemistry:** *Controlled Synthesis of Smart Polymers in Supercritical Carbon Dioxide.*

Dr. Noboru SATO from the Tokyo University will do research at King's College London, UK with Dr. Hugh Bowden as his host. **History:** *The relationship between Athenian democracy and Aristocratic traditions.*

Mr. Harro van ASSELT from the Vrije University, Amsterdam, Holland, will go to the Graduate School of Decision Science and Technology at the Tokyo Institute of Technology with Prof. Norichika Kanie as his host. **Law:** *To assess the extent to which developments in the international climate change arena as well as various options for post-2012 climate governance, steer towards a more fragmented or more universal climate governance architecture.*

Mr. Tilo WAGNER from Bonn University, Germany will visit the Dept. of Political Science at Keio University, Tokyo with Prof. Toshiro Tanaka as his host. **Politics & International Relations:** *The build up of strategic EU-Japan political co-operation (1991-2006); an interim review.*

CO-SPONSORED RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP WITH THE EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE, FLORENCE

Awarded to Ph.D candidate **Ms. Atsue Mazushima** from the Graduate School of Economics at Osaka University. She will do research for one year at the European University Institute on **Economics:** *Economic growth and public economics. Research on immigration, child labour and ageing economics.*



INFORMATION ON THE INTERNATIONAL HOUSE OF JAPAN

For those European Canon Fellows currently in Japan, it is possible to participate in the events organized by the International House. Fellows will be charged guest rates. For more information, please visit their website at <http://www.i-house.or.jp/en/index.html>

REGIONAL FELLOW MEETING WINDSOR



Honorary Chairman Mr. Van Agt and Fellow Santamaria (2006)



Fellow Marks (2005) receiving his certificate



Mr. Van Agt and Fellow Kokoti (2006)

In November 2006 immediate past Fellows and Alumni Fellows from the UK and Ireland region met in Windsor. The meeting took a different form this year with a forum panel heading the afternoon's proceedings followed by a



Fellows Steger (2006) and Pong (2001)



Forum panel

discussion on "the benefits and drawbacks of doing research overseas for a longer period." The highlight of the meeting was guest speaker Sir Hugh Cortazzi's key-note

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Dr. C. Watanabe (1990 Research Fellow) was awarded the third JSPS Prize by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science for the research "Narratological Interpretation of the Art of Ancient Mesopotamia" in March 2007.

Dr. Philippe Forêt (1991 Research Fellow) is currently a Swedish Collegium Fellow, 2007-2008.

Dr. Carien van Mourik (2002 Research Fellow) was awarded a Ph.D from the Faculty of Business Economics at Erasmus University Rotterdam in March 2007.

Dr. Michiyo Kinoshita (2003 Research Fellow) was appointed Assistant Professor at the Graduate University for Advanced Studies, SOKENDAI, 2006.

Dr. Rolf Svestrup (2003 Research Fellow) received his Ph.D.-degree in 2006 and is currently doing a post-doc at Tokyo University.

Prof. Marta Gil Lacruz (2004 Research Fellow) together with Japanese colleagues, she is responsible for the international link (design and coordination) between Zaragoza University and Wakayama University. The aim of this international link is promote the exchange of researchers, professors and students, between the institutions.

Dr. Yutaka Sato (2006 Research Fellow) was awarded a Ph.D in Sociology from Jawaharlal Nehru University, India on 1st March, 2007.

A PERSONAL TESTIMONIAL FROM A 2006 FELLOW

My name is Joaquim Oliveira, and I'm a Portuguese researcher working in the field of Tissue Engineering. My research work consists in developing novel therapeutic strategies for treating damaged/diseased bone and cartilage tissues or both simultaneously. I applied for a Canon Foundation Scholarship due to the need to carry out important complementary studies, which was not possible to perform in my country. Thus, the Canon Foundation Scholarship allowed me to do research at AIST- Osaka, Japan for 1 1/2 years, under the supervision of Prof. Hajime Ohgushi.



Prof. Ohgushi, Mr. Rodrigo (Foundation) and Mr. Oliveira

During my stay at the AIST, we were able to develop a novel treatment for regenerate bone and cartilage, in vitro. Until the present moment, we have submitted a paper to one of the best scientific journals in the field. We are also finishing the in vivo experiments, and the preliminary results are very promising. We think that this novel strategy is a great achievement in the field of Tissue Engineering. I should state that this was only possible due to the excellent facilities, collaborative efforts and friendly environment that I fortunately met at AIST. The good

results will also allow me to finish the PhD thesis in the current year.

Due to this great experience I will return to my country with the hope that this work will help me to reach the required recognition to obtain a good position there. Not less important... I have been invited to do a post-doc at AIST, a great honour for me, which I will have in consideration when deciding my future.

I think that I have made many friends, and I could learn a little bit of Japanese language and Japanese culture, which is really fascinating. I think that the opportunity given by Canon Foundation was essential not only to share scientific knowledge and strengthen the relations for future collaborations but also for exchanging culture. One sentence of Sir Winston Churchill really states what I feel... He once said: "This is not the end, or the beginning. This is only the end of the beginning". So, I hereby deeply express my thanks to Canon Foundation for this opportunity. This experience had a great impact on me as a scientist and as a person.



Another 2006 Canon Fellow **Dr. Luis Santamaria** doing field work for his research on Asian elephants as ecological engineers and their importance for the conservation of tropical forests in the University Museum, Tokyo University.

CANON FOUNDATION IN EUROPE

The objective of the Foundation is the promotion of science, culture, know-how and mutual understanding between Europe and Japan.

The Canon Foundation offers Research Fellowships annually to highly qualified European and Japanese researchers. Candidates should hold a doctorate or at least a Master's degree. They are eligible during the ten-year period following the successful completion of their Ph.D or MA degree. Extensions to the ten-year rule are possible in principle in case of exceptional circumstances which should be explained in the application and supporting documents are required. Non-nationals have to have a permanent citizenship in either Europe or Japan.

The European Fellowship holders pursue a period of research in Japan whereas the Japanese Fellows do their research at host institutions in Europe. The Fellowships are awarded for periods of a minimum three months and maximum of one year.

For the latest version of the application form and further information, please visit our website or contact the Secretariat at the address below:

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The closing date for applications is 15 September 2007.