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HeKKSaGOn CONSORTIUM

The Japanese-German Universities' Network HeKKSaGOn is a consortium of six excellent research-intensive universities from Japan and Germany that emphasize high-quality teaching in an internationally competitive research environment:

Heidelberg – Kyoto – Karlsruhe – Sendai – Göttingen – Osaka – network

HeKKSaGOn was established in 2010 to strengthen international cooperation and to exchange ideas in education, research, and innovation. More precisely, it aims at stimulating the fields of advanced science, technology, industry, and culture among member universities for the purpose of benefiting from mutual exchange of experience and collaboration. As the network's liaison office in Japan, the Heidelberg University Office, Kyoto (HUOK), assists in introducing prospective research partners and coordinating joint activities within the HeKKSaGOn consortium in close cooperation with its counterpart in Germany.

HUOK services within HeKKSaGOn:

- Contact point and meeting space for HeKKSaGOn associates in Japan
- Support of both young and experienced researchers and scholars in approaching HeKKSaGOn working groups and potential partners concerning new or continuing cooperation
- Intercultural advice

For further information about the HeKKSaGOn network and its coordinators' contact data please refer to: www.hekksagon.net



HeKKSaGOn Conference 2016: The presidents of the six HeKKSaGOn universities

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Heidelberg University looks back on a long history of fruitful exchanges and successful partnerships with institutions and universities in East Asia and particularly in Japan. Within this international network, both Heidelberg University and Kyoto University have jointly been promoting student mobility, interdisciplinary research across national boundaries, and continuous cooperation in various academic fields, dating back to 1990. This distinguished partnership led to the establishment of overseas offices at both universities. Since its inauguration in 2015 the Heidelberg University Office, Kyoto (HUOK), continues to strengthen the relationship between Heidelberg University and its partners in Japan and East Asia and engages in initiating new research contacts in this region.

ABOUT HUOK

The Heidelberg University Office, Kyoto (HUOK), represents Heidelberg University in Japan and East Asia. It is conveniently located on the ground floor of Yoshida International House on Yoshida South Campus of Kyoto University, amongst classrooms, offices and a dormitory for Kyoto University's international students and guest researchers. The HUOK welcomes all visitors to its information center, which is available for inquiries during its office hours. A well-equipped meeting space within the office is ideal for receiving delegations or holding discussions and smaller events. The HUOK regularly organizes and supports lectures and other events in close cooperation with Heidelberg University's partner universities and institutions.

HEIDELBERG ALUMNI JAPAN

Heidelberg Alumni International (HAI), the central alumni initiative of Heidelberg University, is the worldwide network of former and current students, researchers, administrative, and teaching staff. Within the HAI network, Heidelberg Alumni Japan (HAJP) serves as the group for alumni of Heidelberg University in and related to Japan. HAJP offers various activities such as get-togethers, talks or individual mentoring. The Heidelberg University Office, Kyoto (HUOK) supports these activities and serves as the on-site office for HAJP.



STUDY ABROAD

International exchange programs and institutional networks provide crucial opportunities for students to obtain intercultural competence and language education abroad. The Heidelberg University Office, Kyoto (HUOK), serves as a contact point for students of Heidelberg University who are currently studying in Japan and provides advice to Japanese and international students of all levels who would like to apply for or have been accepted to a program at Heidelberg University.

Services include:

- General counseling and assistance (incoming and outgoing students)
- Intercultural preparation
- Advice about student-life in Heidelberg
- Organization of orientation sessions and networking events

The Heidelberg University Office, Kyoto (HUOK), offers complementary information sessions for prospective students at universities with exchange agreements, supports local exchange coordinators and represents Heidelberg University at international education conferences and study abroad fairs in Japan and East Asia.

UNIVERSITÄT HEIDELBERG

Founded in 1386, Heidelberg University today is renowned internationally for research that emphasizes dialogue across traditional subject boundaries and has been repeatedly ranked among the top universities in Germany and Europe. Known for its global network of research and teaching partnerships, a large number of non-German applicants are attracted by the study opportunities at Heidelberg University, which results in approximately 20 percent of students and one third of the enrolled doctoral candidates coming from abroad. In total, about 30,500 students are enrolled at Heidelberg University in one of more than 160 study programs in the humanities, social sciences, law, natural science, the life sciences, and medicine. These include bachelor programs as well as master and doctoral degree programs. Exchange programs with worldwide partner universities appeal to international students who are looking for experiences abroad. Alternatively, short term non-degree studies allow students to get a glimpse of Heidelberg University's spirit. The university encourages students to get involved in extracurricular activities that include sports, music, and theater. Heidelberg University's study environment is embedded in the historic city of Heidelberg with its scenic location at the Neckar River, a broad cultural program, and a lively international atmosphere.

CENTERS ABROAD

The Heidelberg University Office, Kyoto (HUOK), belongs to an international network of centers and branch offices of Heidelberg University in specific core regions, such as South America, South Asia, and the USA. These representations abroad emphasize particular key aspects in their work and organizational structure, tailored to their location. As the university's first liaison office in East Asia, the HUOK contributes to Heidelberg University's global visibility and informs about Heidelberg University's outstanding research culture through various events. Its main objectives are maintaining the thriving relationships of Heidelberg University with local partner universities or institutions and establishing new networks in research and teaching in Japan and beyond.

