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PERSONAL

Birth of Date: March 13th, 1968

Citizenship: Japanese

Language: Japanese (native), English (fluent), French (basic readings)

MAJORS

Economic history of modern Japan

Developmental history of modern Japan

Quantitative economic history

Economic development

RESEARCH AREAS

Comparative economic history of weaving districts

Global history of silk related industry

DEGREES and EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

March 1990 BA in Literature (international studies), Tsuda College (Kodaira, Tokyo)
March 1992 MA in Public Administration (economics), International Christian University
(Mitaka, Tokyo)
March 1994 MA in Economics, Hitotsubashi University (Kunitachi, Tokyo)
September 2002 PhD in Economics, Hitotsubashi University (Supervisor Prof. Osamu Satito)
Members of Dissertation Committee: Professors Osamu Saito, Yukihiro Kiyokawa,
Yoshitaka Suzuki, Takemaro Mori, and Masahiro Sato

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

April 1990- March 1998 Teaching Assistant, Section of Social Science, ICU (elementary statistics, Japanese economy)
April 1998- March 2000 Research Associate, Department of Economics, Tokyo Metropolitan University
April 2000- March 2004 Lecturer of Economic History of Japan, Department of Economics, Komazawa University
April 2004 to September 2013 Associate Professor of Economic History, Graduate School of Economics, Kobe University
October 2013 to present Professor of Economic History, Graduate School of Economics, Kobe University
June 2023 to present Independent Director, Seiren co., Ltd
April 2026 to present Professor, Graduate School of Economics, jointly appointed with Osaka University

VISITING POSITIONS

April 2007 - July 2007 Visiting Fellow, Australian Graduate School of Management, university of New South Wales, Sydney (Sent by Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology)
June 2011 - March 2012 Visiting Scholar, Department of History, George Washington University
October - December 2011 Visiting Scholar, Department of Economic History, London School of Economics and Political Science
September 2016 - January 2017 Visiting Scholar, Freeman Spogli Institute, Stanford University
November 2018 Visiting Scholar, Foundation France-Japan de l'EHESS
April 2019 - June 2019 Visiting Scholar, School of Economics, University of Cape Town
April 2019 – March 2024 Visiting Professor, Asian Growth Research Institute
February 2020 (1 month) Visiting Scholar, LARHRA, Université Lumière Lyon 2

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

SINGLE-AUTHORED BOOK

Economic Development, Industrial Districts, Markets and Organizations: the Evolution and Dynamics in the Silk-Weaving Industry in Meiji Period (Minerva: Kyoto, 2007, in Japanese), ISBN978-4-623-04764-2.

EDITED BOOKS

Industrial Districts in History and the Developing World (2016, Springer, Edited with Keijiro Otsuka), ISBN978-981-10-0181-9

A Global History of Silk: Trade and Production from the 16th to the Mid-20th Century (2024 forthcoming, Springer, Edited with Pierre Vernus and Manuela Martini), ISBN978-3-031-61987-8

CO-AUTHORED BOOK

Japanese Business History for MBA Programs (Yuhikaku: Tokyo, 2007, written with Yoshitaka Suzuki and Keishi Shiratori in Japanese), ISBN4-641-16279-4.

JOURNAL ARTICLES & CONTRIBUTED CHAPTERS (English only)

“Tradition and Interaction: Research Trends in Modern Japanese Industrial History.” in *Australian Economic History Review* 44-3, 2004, pp. 241-258 (with Osamu Saito).

“Industrial District, the Rise and Growth of Small and Medium-sized Enterprises: Mechanical Engineering in the Higashi-Mikawa District.” in *Japanese Research in Business History* 2007 (volume24), 2008, pp. 53-75.

“Institutionalising Technical Education: The Case of Weaving Districts in Meiji Japan”, *Australian Economic History Review* 52-1, 2012, pp. 25-42.

“Hand Looms, Power Looms, and Changing Production Organizations: The Case of the Kiryū Weaving District in Early Twentieth-Century Japan.” *Economic History Review* 66(3), 2013, pp. 785-804 (with Keijiro Otsuka).

“Beyond Marshallian Agglomeration Economies: The Roles of the Local Trade Association in a Meiji Japan Weaving District (1868-1912).” *Business History Review* 87, 2013, pp. 489-513 (with Takafumi Kurosawa).

“Cluster-Based Industrial Development in Contemporary Development Countries and Modern Japanese Economic History.” *Journal of the Japanese and International Economies* 30, 2013, pp. 19-32 (with Keijiro Otsuka).

“The Rise and Fall of Industrialisation: The Case of a Silk Weaving District in Modern Japan.” *Australian Economic History Review* 60(1), 2020, pp. 46-72 (with Keijiro Otsuka).

“Selective Technology Choice, Adaptations, and Industrial Development: Lessons from the Essence of the Successful Development of the Textile Industries in Prewar Japan.” *The Developing Economies*, 2026 forthcoming, (with Keijiro Otsuka)

BOOK CHAPTERS (English only)

“The Rise of the Power-loom Factory in the Traditional Silk-weaving District.” in Tetsuji Okazaki ed. *Production Organizations in Japanese Economic Development* (Routledge: London, 2007), pp 14-38.

“The Rise of the Japanese Synthetic Dye Industry during the First World War.” in *Kobe University Economic Review* 53, 2008, pp. 35-55.

“The Importance of Consular Reports for the Export Growth of Japanese Silk Fabric *Habutae* in the Late 19th Century.” in Jorg Ulbert and Lukian Prijac eds., *Die Welt der Konsulate im 19. Jh. / Consuls et services consulaires au XIXe siecle / Consulship in the 19. Century*, Dobu: Hamburg, 2010, pp. 485-501.

“The Survival Strategy of the Japanese *Kimono* Industry.” In Pierre-Yves Donze and Rika Fujioka eds., *Global Luxury: Organizational Change and Emerging Markets since the 1970s*, Palgrave Macmillan: Singapore, 2017, pp. 257-274.

“Underlying Sources of Growth: First and Second Nature Geography.” In Stephen Broadberry and Kyoji Fukao eds., *The Cambridge Economic History of the Modern World Vol. I 1700 to 1870*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2021, pp. 339-368 (with Paul Garuna-Galizia and Max-Stephan Shulze).

“‘Swallowed.’ Economic History: The Significance of Economic History Research in Economics.” In Keijiro Otsuka et al. eds., *Next-Generation of Empirical Research in Economics*, Singapore: Springer, 2024, pp. 167-192.

“From Lyon to Kyoto: Technology Transfer, Inflow of Knowledge, and Modernization of a Traditional Silk-Weaving District in Japan, 1887–1929.” In Pierre Vernus et al. eds. *A Global History of Silk: Trade and Production from the 16th to the Mid-20th Century*, Switzerland: Springer, 2024, pp, 229-254 (with Yukuo Murata).

“The State of Economic History in Japan” In Claude Diebolt and Michael Hauptert eds., *The State of Economic History*, Singapore: Springer, 2026, pp. 95-110 (with Yutaka Arimoto, Masaki Nakabayashi, Tetsuji Okazaki, Osamu Saito, Kaoru Sugihara).

PAPERS PRESENTED IN ENGLISH AT CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP (in English Only)

“The Development of Textile Industry Districts and the Spread of Technical Schools During the Prewar Japan: The Roles of the Graduates of Technical Schools.” the 16th Pan-Pacific Conference, Fiji, June 1999.

“*Okamisan’s* Role in Family Business: The Importance of the Owner’s Wife in the Management Strategy of the Modern Weaving Industry.” at the 14th World Economic History Congress, University of Helsinki, Finland, August 2006.

“Information Strategy by Government and Response of Weaving Districts: Expansion of Silk Fabric Export from the late 19th to 20th Century Japan.” at Global History Workshop: Cross-regional Chains in Global History, Osaka University, December 2007.

“Competition and Cooperation for the Fashion Market: A Comparison of the Modern Development of Textile Districts in Japan and Europe.” at "FASHIONS: Business Practices in Historical Perspective. EBHA/BHC Joint annual meeting, Bocconi University, Italy, June 2009 (with Takafumi Kurosawa).

“The Development of Modern Pulp and Paper Industry in Japan from late 19C to 20C: Rapid Catch-up Process in Modernization.” at the 15th World Economic History Congress, University of Utrecht, the Netherland, August 2009.

“On the Historical Process of the Institutionalizing Technical Education: The Case of Weaving Districts in the Meiji Japan.” at the 2010 CRMA Business History Conference, University of South Australia, Australia, July 2010.

“From the non-European Tradition to a Variation of the Japanese Model of Competitiveness: The Modern Japanese Paper Industry in the Context of International Comparison.” at the EBHA conference, University of Glasgow, the United Kingdom, August 2010 (with Takafumi Kurosawa).

“Historical Context of Institutionalizing Technical Education: The Case of Weaving Districts in Meiji Japan.” at the 30th conference of the Portuguese Economic and Social History Association, School of Economics and Management Technical University of Lisbon, Portugal, November 2010.

“Expansion and Transformation of the Export-Oriented Silk Weaving District: The Case of Fukui in Japan from 1890 to 1919.” Osaka Workshop on Economics of Institutions and organizations, Osaka University, July 2012 (with Keiji Otsuka).

“Expansion and Transformation of the Export-Oriented Silk Weaving District: The Case of Fukui in Japan from 1890 to 1919.” Modern and Comparative Economic History Seminar, London School of Economics and Political Science, February 2013 (with Keijiro Otsuka).

“Emergence of Luxury Market and the Survival of Japanese Traditional *Kimono* Weaving Industry in the Second Half of the 20th century” at a pre-workshop for WEHC 2015 session titled ‘Global Luxury: Organizational Change and Emerging Markets in the Luxury Industry since the 1970s’, Neuchâtel University, Switzerland, November 2014.

“New Technology and New Marketing: The Case of Local Trade Association in Weaving Districts in Japan” at the 17th World Economic History Congress, Kyoto, August 2015.

“Luxury Market and Survival: Japan's Traditional *Kimono* Weaving Industry after 1950s” at the 17th World Economic History Congress, Kyoto, August 2015.

“Technology Transfer and Different Development Paths of Silk-weaving Districts in Modern Japan” at the 17th World Economic History Congress, Kyoto, August 2015.

“Technology Transfer and Different Development Paths of Silk-Weaving Districts in Modern Japan.” at Harvard Workshop, Industries and Global Competition: Business beyond Borders in the Historical Perspective, Harvard University, Cambridge, November 2015.

“The Rise and Fall of Industrialization and Changing Labor Intensity: The Case of an Export-Oriented Silk Weaving District in Modern Japan.” at Osaka Workshop Economics of Institutions and Organizations, Osaka University, Osaka, July 2016 and July 2017.

“What Does Determine Success and Failure of Cluster-Based Industrial Development?” at the conference in Ethiopian Development Research Institute (Support for Intellectual Lectures by the Prime Minister's Office), Addis Ababa, September 2016 (with Keijiro Otsuka).

“The Rise and Fall of Industrialization and Changing Labor Intensity: The Case of Weaving Districts in Meiji Japan.” at Japan Lunch in Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, Stanford University, Stanford, December 2016.

“Role of Association in Facilitating Innovation.” at the seminar in Université FHB de Cocody, Abidjan, March 2017.

“Changing Tradition in Craft System in Japanese Textile Industry: Skill Intensity, Growing Linkage, and Innovation.” at the seminar in EHESS, Paris, September 2018.

“Modernization of the Tradition: The case of three silk-weaving districts in Japan, 1875-1930.” seminar at Asian Research Institute, Kitakyushu, September 2019.

“Lessons from history of catching-up process of development in Japan.” seminars at University of Pretoria, Pretoria, October 2019.

“From Lyon to Kyoto: The modernization of traditional silk weaving district in Kyoto, 1887-1929.” at seminar of LARHRA/Triangle in Université Première Lyon 2, February 2020.

“From Lyon to Kyoto: Modernization of Traditional Silk-Weaving District in Japan, 1887-1929.” at workshop of ‘Centuries of Cloth: Historical Approaches to the Story of Textile’ (by Economic History Society & Royal Historical Society), January 2021.

“From Lyon to Kyoto: Modernization of Traditional Silk-Weaving District in Japan, 1887-1929.” Soies et soieries. Métiers, échanges et production dans une perspective euro-asiatique du XVIIe au milieu du XXe siècle (Pré-session du XIXe World Economic History Congress, organisée dans le cadre du programme ANR –TIME-US Rémunérations et usages du temps des hommes et des femmes dans le textile en France), Maison des sciences de l’homme de Lyon-Saint-Étienne-LARHRA (UMR 5190), avec la participation des laboratoires ICT (Université de Paris) et TELEMME (université d’Aix-Marseille), May 2021.

“From Lyon to Kyoto: Modernization of Traditional Silk-Weaving District in Japan, 1887-1929.” Workshop in Economic and Business History, Osaka University, October 2021.

“From Lyon to Kyoto: Technology Transfer, Inflow of Knowledge, and Modernization of a Traditional Silk-Weaving District in Japan, 1887–1929” at the workshop for the book titled *Global History of Silk*, European Business History Association, Lisbon, July 2024.

“Selective Technology Choice and Industrial Development in Prewar Japan: Comparative Advantage, Flying Geese, and Product Cycle” at the 8th Asian Historical Economics Conference, University of Hong Kong, December 2024 (with Keijiro Otsuka).

“Were Family Workshops Replaced by Factories with Mechanization?: The Case of a Silk Weaving District in the early 20th Century Japan.” at the session ‘Family workshops and industrial silk clusters from the late 18th century to

the early 20th century: A Euro-Asian perspective’, World Economic History Congress, Lund, July 2025 (with Akira Tsuzuki).

“Were Family Workshops Replaced by Factories with Mechanization?: The Case of a Silk Weaving District in the early 20th Century Japan.” GH Seminar/EBH Workshop, Osaka University, April, 2026.

RESEARCH FUNDS (principal researcher)

KAKENHI, Grant-in-Aid for Young Scientists (B), 2004-2007.
KAKENHI, Grants-in-aid for Scientific Research (C), 2007-2009.
KAKENHI, Grants-in-aid for Scientific Research (C), 2013-2015.
Japan Securities Scholarship Foundation, 2016-2019.
KAKENHI, Grants-in-aid for Scientific Research (C), 2017-2020.
The Murata Science Foundation, 2020-2022.
KAKENHI, Grant-in-Aid for Exploratory Research, 2021-2024.
Nomura Foundation, 2021-2024.
Japan Center for Economic Research, 2023.
KAKENHI, Grants-in-aid for Scientific Research (B), 2025-2028.

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Socio-Economic History Society (Executive Director)
Business History Society of Japan (Executive Director)
Forum for Entrepreneurial Studies (Director)
Political Economy & Economic History Society
Economic History Society

LICENSE

Certificate for English Teacher at Junior High and High School, Tokyo Metropolitan Board of Education, March 1990.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITY

Researcher, project of ‘Local industries in Japan’ organized by Foundation France-Japon de l’EHESS (from April 2018 to March 2019) http://ffj.ehess.fr/les_industries_de_proximite.html

OTHER SOCIAL ACTIVITY

Member, Institutional Review Board, Shinko Memorial Hospital, Kobe (April 2014- to present)
Councilor, Konoike Foundation, Osaka (June 2021- to present)
Economic Commentator in Kobe Newspaper evening edition (April 2022- March 2023)
Committee members of “Readers and Press” Committee in Kobe Newspaper (October 2022- March 2026)

Member of Academic council for J-InnovaTech Project (Council of Europe, Starting Grant research) (November 2022-)

MY FAVORITE WORDS

The more I learn the more I realize I don't know. The more I realize I don't know the more I want to learn.

by Albert Einstein

The beauty of a woman is not in a facial mode but the true beauty in a woman is reflected in her soul. It is the caring that she lovingly gives the passion that she shows. The beauty of a woman grows with the passing years.

by Audrey Hepburn

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