

International Workshop

Body as Subject in Religious and Healthcare Spaces

A Comparative Perspective with Japan

Monday March 9th, 2026
9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Université Paris Cité
Seminar room Léon Vandermeersch
(481C, 4th floor, C wing, Grands Moulins
Building, 10 esplanade Pierre Vidal-Naquet,
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This event is co-organized by the Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, and the Graduate School of East Asian Studies of Université Paris Cité, the Centre de recherche sur les civilisations de l'Asie orientale (UMR 8155), and the International Research Center for Japanese Studies (Nichibunken, Kyoto, Japan).

The language of the conference is in English.

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Program

- 9h30-9h40 Introduction by **Ken Daimaru** (Université Paris Cité, CRCAO)
- Morning session chaired by **Matthias Hayek** (EPHE, CRCAO), « Human Body as Concept, Practice and Representation »
- 9h40-10h20 **Manami Yasui** (International Research Center for Japanese Studies, Visiting professor of Université Paris Cité), « Body Images and Healing in Modern and Contemporary Japan. A Comparison Perspective »
- 10h30-11:00 **Anna Andreeva** (Ghent University), « Childbirth in Medieval Japan: Time, Politics, Expertise »
- 11:10-11h40 **Lucia Dolce** (SOAS / Ca' Foscari University of Venice), « Body Parts on Display: Vows, Illness and Material Proxies in Japanese Temples and Catholic Churches »
- 13:30-15h00 Round table session chaired by **Ken Daimaru**, « Maternity, Religious Landscapes, Healthcare Pluralism in Comparative Perspective » with the participation of **Matthias Hayek**, **Clémence Jullien** (CNRS, CESAH), **Manami Yasui**