

Reflection on the 5<sup>th</sup> East Asia Junior Workshop, 2013

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## Fieldwork

It was a great pleasure to visit such wonderful places. In particular, places such as Higashikujo, Bank, Sujin and nursing home were so meaningful to me in that I could feel Kyoto's sociological context in depth. Places where minorities gather and live in a very delicate way were somewhat very respectful. The most impressive place was nursing home for me. Compared to Korea's, its environment was more like a house and people seemed to be very happy. Moreover, professional machines and sensitive system were very impressive. I could feel how Japanese make efforts to integrate minorities into the society in a very delicate way. Castle and palace was also very joyful to visit because I could understand Japanese ancient society as well. I think it was a good contrast of contemporary and ancient. Apart from the hot weather, it was a very pleasant time.

## Workshop

The workshop was excellent. I could learn a lot from the researches in different perspectives. I could also learn what other students in other countries were interested in. All the students' researches were very well done and smart moreover the lectures from professors were also helpful in broadening my knowledge. It was a very marvelous workshop overall.

## Entire program including before coming to Japan (preparation and research)

Preparation and research for this workshop was not bad. We had a presentation in front of the students and professor before leaving for Japan. We got comments and we had some time to modify our research. Since it was our work of last semester I think we had enough time for preparation. However, it would have been better if we could have got last comments after modifying our research. Moreover, the lectures of natural disaster before the workshop in Japan was very fascinating. I could have never got such experiences if I hadn't come to this workshop. Thank you very much for you all for the preparation. From all the food, transport and other preparations, I could feel how much efforts people put in. Thank you very much again. I hope to participate in this workshop next time if I get a chance to. I enjoyed very much.