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# ACTIVITIES OF ACADEMIC SOCIETIES

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## 1. Constitutional Law

*The Japan Public Law Association* held its 75th General Meeting in Tokyo at Sophia University on October 10 and 11, 2010. The following presentations were made under the unified theme of “Research Methodology of Public Law Study.”

### **First day**

“Constitutional Study and Historical Research”

Koji Aikyo (Professor, Nagoya University).

“The Meaning of Historical Research in Public Law Study”

Masanori Okada (Professor, Waseda University).

“Dialogue between Constitutional Study and Political Philosophy”

Shojiro Sakaguchi (Professor, Hitotsubashi University).

“Dialogue between Public Law Study and Various Other Sciences”

Yayoi Isono (Professor, Tokyo Keizai University).

**Second day****First Session, “Basic Theory of Public Law Study: History and Conversation”**

“Constitutional Study and Historical Science: From the Standpoint of a Researchers into the History of the Establishment of the Present Constitution”

Ryutaro Sasakawa (Professor, Shobi University).

“Public Law Study and the History of Legal Ideas: From the Aspect of East Asia”

Noriko Kokubun (Professor, University of Tsukuba).

“Research in the History of Theory and the Interpretation of the Constitution: Free Exercise in the Meiji Constitution”

Hiroshi Suga (Associate Professor, Kyoto Sangyo University).

“The Historical Transition of the Principle of Sovereign Immunity and War Reparations”

Akira Nishino (Professor, Meiji University).

“The Position of History in Legal Discussions of Local Self-government”

Makoto Saito (Professor, The University of Tokyo).

**Second Session, “Interdisciplinary Research in Public Law Study: Dialogue with Philosophy and Natural Science”**

“The Institutional Approach to the Interpretation of the Constitution by Courts”

Hiroshi Asano (Professor, Kobe University).

“Constitutional Study and Bioethics”

Shigeki Nakayama (Associate Professor, Kyoto Sangyo University).

“The Study of Administrative Law and Bioethics”

Satoshi Isobe (Associate Professor, Keio University).

“Environmental Risk Management and the Philosophy of Science”

Masumi Tobe (Associate Professor, Osaka University of Economics).

“Environmental Risk Management and Natural Science”

Kenji Shimoyama (Professor, Tokai University).