

## ONE-DAY MEETING ON SAFEGUARDING OF THE SYRIAN CULTURAL HERITAGE CONCERNING SYRIA-JAPAN COOPERATION

**Date:** Monday 16 March 2015, 1pm-6pm

**Place:** Japan Center for Middle Eastern Studies (JaCMES) (Beirut, Lebanon)  
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This meeting is aimed to discuss about endangered Syrian cultural heritage and possibility of Japanese contribution for safeguarding it in the near future by Syrian and Japanese specialists together with the cooperation of the Lebanese specialists. The meeting is based on the conference held in Tokyo Japan on 21-22 February 2015 ("A crisis of Syrian cultural heritage and the effort to safeguard it).

### Participants:

**Syria:** Prof. Maamoun Abdulkarim (Director-General, DGAM)  
Dr. Ahmad Deeb (Director, Museum Affairs, DGAM)  
Ms. Lina Kutiefan (Director, Site Management & Foreign Cooperation, DGAM)

**Japan:** Prof. Akira Tsuneki (University of Tsukuba)  
Dr. Kiyohide Saito (Archaeological Institute of Kashihara, Nara Prefecture)  
Prof. Hidemitsu Kuroki (Tokyo University of Foreign Studies)  
Prof. Shin'ichi Nishiyama (Chubu University)

### Lebanon:

Dr. Sarkis El Khoury (Director-General, DGA, Lebanon)

### Invited Excavation Teams working in Syria

Prof. Jeanine Abdul Massih (Lebanese University)  
Dr. Nadine Panayot Haroun (Balamand University)  
Dr. Maya Haidar Boustany (Saint Joseph University)  
Dr. Leila Badre (American University of Beirut)

This meeting is organized by University of Tsukuba and supported by the Agency for Cultural Affairs, Government of Japan, and Japan Center for Middle Eastern Studies, of Tokyo University of Foreign Studies. The meeting is also under the patronage of the Directorate-General of Antiquities of Lebanon.



## **PROGRAMME**

### **13:00-13:10 Opening address**

Prof. Hidemitsu Kuroki (TUFS, Director of JaCMES)

### **13:10-13:30 Welcoming address**

Dr. Sarkis El Khoury (Director-General, DGA)

### **13:30-15:00 DGAM contribution for safeguarding Syrian cultural heritage**

Prof. Maamoun Abdulkarim (Director-General, DGAM)

Dr. Ahmad Deeb (Director, Museum Affairs, DGAM)

Ms. Lina Kutiefan (Director, Site Management & Foreign Cooperation, DGAM)

### **15:00-15:30 Coffee break**

### **15:30-17:00 Results of Tokyo symposium**

Prof. Akira Tsuneki (University of Tsukuba)

Dr. Kiyohide Saito (Archaeological Institute of Kashihara, Nara Prefecture)

Prof. Shin'ichi Nishiyama (Chubu University)

### **17:00-18:00 Discussion and comments on the possibility of Japanese contribution**

All participants