FROM ROME TO TOKYO

The Imagined City, between Utopias, Dystopias and Ruins



International Symposium: Saturday, May 25th, 13.00-18.15 University of Tokyo, Hongō Campus, Law & Letters Bldg. I, Room 115

13.00 Lorenzo Amato - Opening Remarks

FIRST SESSION

Notions of Ideal Classicism and Ruinism, from Europe to Japan Discussant: YOSHIDA HIROSHI (University of Tokyo)

- 13.15 **SATO NAOKI** (Tokyo University of the Arts) *The Beauty of Ruins and Broken Art in Japan from the Perspective of European Art History*
- 13.45 **ABE MAYUMI** (Tokyo Gakugei University) *Life of "Immortality": Archaeological Imagination in Giorgio De Chirico's Metaphysical Painting*
- 14.15 **LORENZO AMATO** (University of Tokyo) *Japanese "Ruinism"* and the Death of Western Utopias
- 14.45 DISCUSSION 15.05 COFFEE BREAK

SECOND SESSION

Narrative and Counter-Narrative Dystopias in Japan Discussant: OHJI KENTA (University of Tokyo)

- 15.25 MARTA FANASCA (University of Bologna) When Utopia Crashes Against Reality: The Case of Yoshiwara, the City of (Broken) Dreams
- 15.55 **GIULIA COLELLI** (University of Bologna) *Between Ruins and Systems on the Brink of Collapse: Visions of Tokyo in Japanese Dystopian Literature of the New Millennium*
- 16.25 **PAOLA SCROLAVEZZA** (University of Bologna) Sprawling Cities, Sprawling Identities: Contemporary Japanese Fiction from Hyper-Mediality to Eco-collapse
- 16.55 DISCUSSION 17.15 COFFEE BREAK
- 17.35 ROUND TABLE AND FINAL DISCUSSION

Note: the Symposium will be held in English (発表は英語). It will be possible to follow via Zoom. For on-line registration, and further information, please enquire: amato@l.u-tokyo.ac.jp

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