

Call for Papers:

**Resources, Environment and Infrastructures between Russia and the Asia-Pacific:
Cooperation and Conflicts (18th – 21st cent.)**

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This is the second conference held by the cooperative research project “Russia’s North Pacific” (organized by the German Historical Institute Moscow in collaboration with Munich’s Ludwig-Maximilians-University). It will be hosted and is co-organized by the Hankuk University of Foreign Studies (HUFS), Seoul.

Since Russians established their first settlements at the North Pacific, their relations and interactions with representatives of other neighbouring countries have been shaped by the trade of and the competition for various resources. As always in human history, resources and a shared environment could and can serve as bridge-builders and as bones of contention.

This international and interdisciplinary conference explores historical and contemporary developments of cooperation, trade and conflict on various resources between Russian actors in the Far East and their counterparts from neighbouring countries in the Asia-Pacific ((South and North) Korea, Japan, China, Taiwan, the US, Canada, India). Of particular (but not exclusive) interest are conflictual and cooperative moments and developments in the realms of

- natural resources
- fossil and renewable energies
- civil and military infrastructures and the respective concepts of order and space
- transportation systems for people, energy and (other) commodities
- environmental knowledge and protection
- industrial facilities and products as well as
- human resources

We welcome paper proposals from various disciplines fitting into this thematic field.

Applications should include an abstract of the proposed paper (max. 300 words), a short CV and information on the applicant’s current position and affiliation. They should be submitted **by 15 September** in one single pdf-file to Benjamin Beuerle: Benjamin.Beuerle@dhi-moskau.org.

Selected applicants will be notified by 15 October 2018. Participants will be asked to send in their papers (3.000-5.000 words) by 1 February 2019.

Accommodation will be taken charge of by HUFs, travel costs will be covered by the German Historical Institute Moscow. Selected papers will be published in the framework of a new peer-reviewed book series on Russia and the Asia-Pacific.