





The University of Tokyo Library System

2024 - 2025

### Mission of U-PARL

# 1 Creation of a forum that fuses humanities and sciences, East and West

The forum will be formed by inviting a wide range of the faculty and graduate students of the University, with U-PARL staff serving as the secretariat. Regular workshops, discussions, lectures, and other events aimed at solving social issues in Society 5.0 are planned. The theme for FY2024, the first year, is "Spiritual Prosperity in Society 5.0."



A forum to integrate knowledge and insights obtained through various activities

#### 4 Social Contribution

We try to share and publish information on Asian studies and libraries to the widest audience. For example, as a rule, in addition to holding symposiums and lectures, we also record them in the form of lecture transcripts and videos to share with the general public.



Organizing Symposiums



Workshops, seminars, talk events



Publication of research findings

### 2 Creation of Digital Resources

By digitally photographing and publishing the university's academic resources, we aim to create an environment where the boundary between cyberspace and physical space does not exist. In this connection, we will also conduct research on metadata assignment, tagging, and textualization.

(Asian Research Library)

#### Asian Research Library Digital Collection



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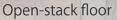


Zhongyi Shuihu Quanshu (The General Library of the University of Tokyo)

# 3 Operational Development of Asian Research Library

We are continuously assisting the Asian Research Library in building its collection and providing subject librarian equivalent services.







The Asian Research Library, which opened on October 1, 2020, positions itself as a "research library" of a new type that, in addition to regular library services, also collects thematic materials related to Asia, including diverse local-language literature and builds and operates a platform to connect projects and researchers focused on Asia within the University.



#### Message from the Division Director

U-PARL is reaching a new milestone with the start of its third phase in the 2024 school year. Under the research theme of "Human Way of Life in Society 5.0" chosen for this phase, we plan to create a forum where humanities and sciences, East and West fuse with the ultimate goal of accumulating all the knowledge and expertise of the University of Tokyo to help solve social issues. We will promote cooperation with the Asian Research Library, now in its fourth year of operation, which has been continued since its establishment and facilitate its development. Finally, based on such foundations, we will advance and expand digital public access to materials in the possession of the University of Tokyo.

Kenryo MINOWA (Graduate School of Humanities and Sociology, Professor)



Concurrent Professors: Kenryo MINOWA (Project Leader) 、Satoshi UNNO (Deputy Project Leader) 、Kyuichi UEHARA(Deputy Project Leader)、Takenori MATSUMOTO、

Miho TAKAHASHI、Hidenori WATANAVE、Ikki OHMUKAI

Project Associate Professor: Daigo ISSHIKI (Deputy Project Leader)

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#### **ABOUT U-PARL**

The Uehiro Project for the Asian Research Library (U-PARL) of the University of Tokyo Library System is a research project division that was established through an endowment by the Uehiro Foundation on Ethics and Education in April 2014.

In the first phase (the 2014-2018 school years), the main mission of U-PARL was to support the establishment of the Asian Research Library. In the second phase (the 2019-2023 school years), we greatly expanded our scope of activities and pursued the following goals: create a hub for cooperative research in Asian Studies, break new ground in the study of research library functions, cultivate human resources, contribute to society, and further support the development of the Asian Research Library.

In the third phase (the 2024-2028 school years), the following four pillars were established to strengthen the Asian Research Library: 1) East-West and Humanities-Science Fusion Forum under the theme of "Human Way of Life in Society 5.0," 2) creation of digital resources, 3) operational development of the Asian Research Library, and 4) social contribution.

Research Fields of Concurrent Professors

Kenryo MINOWA Buddhist Studies

Satoshi UNNO Japanese Architectural History, Conservation of Cultural Properties

Kyuichi UEHARA Chinese Literature, Bibliography

Takenori MATSUMOTO Agricultural History of modern Korea

Miho TAKAHASHI Clinical Psychology

Hidenori WATANAVE Information Design, Digital Archives

Ikki OHMUKAI Digital Humanities

### How does U-PARL define "Asia" ?

U-PARL covers the entire Asian region by assigning a person in charge of each region in the following regional categories: "East Asia," "Southeast Asia," "South Asia," "Central Eurasia," and "West Asia." East Asia (Koreanology) Aki SHIBUYA Research on publishing culture in Central Eurasia the Joseon Dynasty Jakshylyk AKMATALIEVA Samgang-haengsil-do (A00:5994), Nanki Collection, The General Library of the University of Tokyo Research on languages spoken by Turkic peoples in Central Eurasia East Asia (Sinology) Tatsuo ARAKI West Asia The formation, acceptance, and change Erina OTA-TSUKADA of the popular literary art as seen in "Shuihuzhuan" South Asia (Indology) Southeast Asia Daigo ISSHIKI Aki TANAKA History of the spread of Buddhist Dogmatics A multifaceted examination of modern and (Abhidharma) from India to other parts of Asia contemporary Vietnamese history using literature as a looking glass Visual Analysis of Networks of Elites in Pre-Modern Arab Cities Bongaku Shinryo (D50:76) The General Library of the University of Tokyo Lê Khánh Đồng, "Hồ Tây", Gia Huấn Ca,

Thơ Buông, Hanoi, 1928.

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