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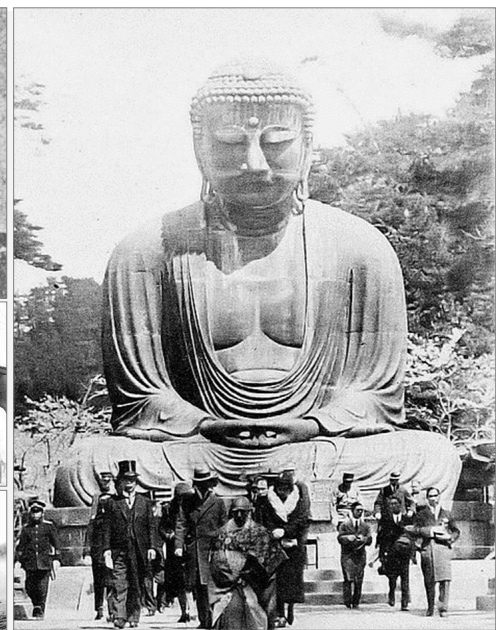
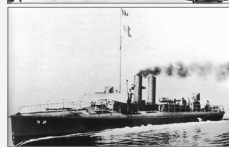
Die Hamburger Gesellschaft für Thaiistik e.V.
in Zusammenarbeit mit dem Arbeitsbereich Thaiistik
der Abteilung Sprachen und Kulturen Südostasiens des AAI
lädt Sie zu folgendem Online-Vortrag ein:

Japanese-Siamese Relation during the Absolute Monarchy

In 2017, Japan and Thailand celebrated the 130th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations according to modern norms with a series of events in both countries. The development of political, economic, cultural but also military exchanges between the two countries during the late 19th and early 20th century remains, however, overshadowed by the Japanese-Thai Alliance during World War II.

The intensification of the bilateral relations after 1932 is thus usually interpreted as a rupture from the past and the existing continuities with the period of the absolute monarchy are neglected. Accordingly, Japanese-Thai relations during the time of absolutist Siam have received little attention in the Western and Thai literature.

Drawing on primary sources and the Japanese language literature, this talk will explore Japanese-Thai relations during the absolute monarchy in Siam arguing that they were of greater significance for modern Siam than they are usually given credit for. In particular, it will be shown that Imperial Japan quickly became a role model for both the court and critics of the ancien régime.



Online-Lecture *via Zoom & in English*

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Thursday, 17th September

14h-16h (CEST)

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