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# Exhibition "Shibusawa Eiichi and Sun Yat-sen" Commemorating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Xinhai Revolution



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From June 11 to September 19, 2011, the Shibusawa Memorial Museum will present an exhibition entitled "Shibusawa Eiichi and Sun Yat-sen."

This year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the outbreak of the Xinhai Revolution in October 1911 in the city of Wuchang in China's Hubei province. The Revolution brought an end to the Quin Dynasty as the Republic of China was declared by Sun Yat-Sen, who became the provisional president of the Republic. Shibusawa Eiichi first met Sun in Tokyo in February 1913 and the two developed a close friendship as they worked together to promote Sino-Japanese economic partnership through the establishment of a bilateral joint venture company. Their dream for economic partnership, however, was thrown into confusion by the turmoil in China.

This exhibition will use historical documents from the collections of the Shibusawa Memorial Museum to look back on Eiichi's exchanges with Sun and thereby illustrate Eiichi's responses to the contemporary situation in China as well as his vision for Sino-Japanese relations. We hope the exhibition will provide an opportunity to think about Sino-Japanese relations and international peace on a larger scale.

### "Shibusawa Eiichi and Sun Yat-sen"

Organized by: Shibusawa Memorial Museum, Shibusawa Eiichi Memorial Foundation

Dates: Saturday, June 11 – Monday, September 19, 2011

Hours: 10:00 - 17:00 (last entry by 16:30)

Closed: July 19 and Mondays (except July 18 and September 19)
Venue: Permanent Exhibition Hall, Shibusawa Memorial Museum

(2-16-1 Nishigahara, Kita-ku, Tokyo)

Admission: Adults 300 yen, children (up to 18 years) 100 yen

Groups of 20 or more: adults 240 yen, children (up to 18 years) 80 yen per person

### Exhibition contents:

- 1 First Meeting
- 2 Seeking Sino-Japanese Economic Partnership in the Midst of Revolution
- 3 Farewell: Longing for Sino-Japanese Economic Partnership

#### Main items to be exhibited:

- Telegram from Sun Yat-sen to Shibusawa Eiichi, December 1, 1924
- Telegram from Shibusawa Eiichi to Sun Yat-sen, December 2, 1924
- Calligraphy by Sun's comrade Huang Xin, June 1916
- Calligraphy by Sheng Xuanhuai (the Quin government official who triggered the revolution by promoting the nationalization of the railway)

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