

The Politics of Sacred Forests in Japan: Shinto Ideology in a Secular Age

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Glossary

<i>animizumu</i> アニミズム	Animism; worship of deities in nature
<i>chinju no mori</i> 鎮守の森・鎮守の杜	Sacred shrine forest
discursive secularisation	Religious practices redefined in non-religious terms
<i>jinja</i> / <i>jingū</i> 神社・神宮	Shinto shrine
Jinja Honchō 神社本庁	Association of Shinto Shrines
<i>kami</i> 神	Shinto god
<i>kokutai</i> 国体	‘National body’ ideology
<i>kyōdōtai</i> 共同体	Community; collective body
laïcité	Separation of church and state
<i>matsuri</i> 祭	Shrine festival
<i>mori-zukuri</i> 森づくり	Forest-making
Nippon Kaigi 日本会議	Japan Conference
<i>satoyama</i> 里山	Traditional hybrid agricultural-natural landscape
Secular Age	Age in which religion has become optional (Taylor)
secularisation	1) Decline of religion; 2) privatization of religion; 3) societal differentiation (Casanova)
secularism	Ideology pertaining to religion’s societal boundaries
<i>shikinen sengū</i> 式年遷宮	Ritual rebuilding of the Ise shrines every 20 years
<i>shinboku</i> 神木	Sacred tree
<i>shintaisan</i> 神体山	Sacred mountain, embodiment of a deity
Shinto environmentalist paradigm	Redefinition of Shinto as ancient nature worship
Shintō Seiji Renmei 神道政治連盟	Shinto Association of Spiritual Leadership
<i>shokujusai</i> 植樹祭	Tree-planting festival
<i>shūkyō</i> 宗教	Religion

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