A Study on building Activities of Japanese Architects in the East Asia in the First Half of Twentieth Century

This study shows a history and some characteristics about building activities of Japanese architects in the East Asia in the first half of twentieth century. Their building activity started from 1880's in Korea and China, but mainly their activity started from the Sino-Japan War in 1904. This study points out five characteristics. The first one is that a lot of Japanese architects had worked in Japanese colonies or occupied areas, especially twenty percents of member of AIJ had been in there in 1942. The second one is that almost of them designed some architecture by modifying the Western architecture before top of 1930's, and some of them were high-definition in the world. The third one is that firstly almost of their buildings were made from brick as fireproof buildings and in order to make beautiful townscapes in each colony or occupied area. The fourth one is that some of them had only experienced of building activities in Japanese colonies or occupied area and some of them had moved between one colony and the other or occupied area. The last one is that they had made efforts to get most advanced architectural information in the world.