Preface

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As will be explained in the Introduction, Handbook of Confucianism in Modern Japan was conceived with the aim of expanding scholarship on modern Japanese Confucianism—a field which has until recently been neglected in Anglosphere Asian studies and comparative philosophy. A secondary aim was to facilitate contributions to that scholarship by scholars who would not normally write and publish in English, thereby enriching it with perspectives cultivated in non-English speaking research communities, but under-represented in Anglosphere academic research. This handbook, then, was planned to address a double neglect, though I hope it makes clear that blame cannot easily be assigned for such neglect.

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