

Panelists (1)

Moderator



Mr. NIMURA Shin, NHK News Commentator

Joined NHK in 1980. As a foreign correspondent, stationed in the Middle East, Africa, Europe, and Southeast Asia, covered politics, economy and conflicts. After serving as a Director General for Asia, became an Executive Commentator in 2009.

14:10~15:10 Panel 1 : 30 years' history of TICAD



Dr. TANAKA Akihiko (President, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)) Served as a professor at the Institute for Advanced Studies on Asia at the University of Tokyo (1998-2012, 2015-2017), vice president of the University of Tokyo (2009-2012), president of JICA (2012-2015, 2022-), and president of the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (2017-2022)).



His Excellency Mr. Estifanos Afeworki Haile (Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Embassy of the State of Eritrea in Japan)

Began working in the Provisional Government of Eritrea in 1991. Ambassador to Japan since 2003. Dean of the African Diplomatic Corps in Tokyo since 2014.



Mr. YONEYAMA Yasuaki (Special Representative in Japan, World Bank)

Joined the Ministry of Finance in 1995. Assumed current position in 2021 after having served at the African Development Bank and the IMF.



Ms. NAGASAKA Yuko (Representative of Kenya, RESULTS Japan)

Coordinated health policy advocacy in RESULTS Japan. Since 2018, contributed to doubling the TB detection rate with a total of 200 volunteers in the slums of Nairobi, Kenya. Assisted the Ministry of Health to improve the quality of health services in Kenya.

Panelists (2)

15:30~16:30 Panel 2 : Evolution of TICAD from assistance to investment



Dr. HIRANO Katsumi (Chief Senior Economist, Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO))

Joined Institute of Developing Economies in 1991. Executive Director of JETRO Johannesburg Office (2004-2007). Executive Vice President of JETRO until 2019. Assumed current position in 2023.



on Sub-Saharan Africa, KEIDANREN) Joined Marubeni Corporation in 1981. After serving as Managing

Mr. KAWAMURA Hajime (Chair, Sub-Committee, Committee

Executive Officer of Plant Div. and then Senior Executive Officer, he was appointed Senior Corporate Advisor in 2023. Assumed current position at Keidanren in 2020.



Mr. SHIBUSAWA Ken (Chairman, Global South Africa Committee of Keizai Doyukai)

Founded Shibusawa and Company Co, Inc., in 2001 and & Capital Inc. in 2023. Member of the Council for New Form of Capitalism, steering committee member of UNDP SDG Impact.



Mr. HONDO Kazuki (Managing Executive Officer, Member of Board, Nippon Export and Investment Insurance (NEXI))

Joined the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (now METI) in 1991. In charge of natural resources and energy, manufacturing industries, SMEs, trade policy etc. After working at NEXI(2015-2019) and Okinawa General Bureau, assumed current position in 2023.

Mr. WAKUDA Hajime (President, Japan Organization for Metals and Energy Security (JOGMEC))

Joined the Ministry of International Trade and Industry in 1992. In charge of aerospace and defense industry, policy planning of natural resources. Assumed current position in 2020.



Ms. Enora LE BORGNE

Originally from Seychelles. Graduated from a master's degree in marine biology at the faculty of Bioresources of Mie University by ABE Initiative. In charge of the international sales and marketing of Tokyo8 microfranchise at Taiyo Yuka Co.Ltd.

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16:50~17:50 Panel 3 : Future of TICAD



Ms. SUZUKI Takako (Member of the House of Representatives, Japan-African Union (AU) Parliamentary Friendship League)

Elected to the House of Representatives in 2013. Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Defense (2018-2019). State Minister for Foreign Affairs (2021-2022). Deputy Secretary-General of the Liberal Democratic Party.



Ms. Ahunna Eziakonwa (Assistant Administrator and Director of the Regional Bureau for Africa, UNDP)

Leads over 4000 staff implementing a \$1.2 billion annual development programme in 46 African countries. As Chief (Africa) at UN OCHA, she led response to natural disasters, emergencies and transitions to recovery.



Dr. KITANAKA Makoto (President, Sasakawa Africa Association)

Joined JICA in 1985. Contributed to the expansion of the African Rice Farming Community (CARD) and SHEP, a market-oriented approach to agriculture, and the launch of the Africa Initiative on Food and Nutrition (IFNA). Assumed current position in 2019.



Mr. OMORI Kenta (Chief Operations Officer, STANDAGE)

Majored in chemistry and biotechnology at the University of Tokyo. Joined ITOCHU Corporation and in charge of pharmaceuticals business and M&A. Founded STANDAGE Inc. in 2017.