



EU-Japan Relations 1970-2012: Tokyo Book Launch and Panel Discussion

Date & Time	Thursday, 26 September 2013, 14:00 - 17:00
Place	Delegation of the European Union to Japan (Tokyo)
Co-organised by	Delegation of the European Union to Japan EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation
Participation	Free (120 seats; pre-registration required)
Language	English

Overview

EU-Japan relations have moved from serious trade frictions in the 1970s and 80s towards comprehensive cooperation among likeminded strategic partners.

In a recently published monograph titled "EU-Japan Relations, 1970-2012 - From Confrontation to Global Partnership" (Routledge, 2013) 12 senior former and current EU officials analyse this dramatic transformation, its background and its implications. On 26 September (14 to 16 hrs) the book will be introduced by one of its editors, Professor Franz Waldenberger (University of Munich and Tsukuba) during a presentation session at Europa House in Tokyo, the official seat of the European Union Delegation to Japan.

Subsequently, one of its principal authors, Joern Keck, former EU ambassador to Japan, will discuss with Hiroshi Tsukamoto, former DG at METI and General Manager of the EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation, as well as with leading European and Japanese businessmen the lessons from the past and their implications for future free trade and scope for substantial cooperation between the world two major trading partners.

Programme

- 14:00 – 14:10 Opening words by Mr. Hans Dietmar Schweisgut, Ambassador of the European Union to Japan
- 14:10 – 14:30 Presentation of the Book Project by Prof. Franz Waldenberger, University of Tsukuba/Munich
- 14:30 – 16:00 Panel Discussion: "EU – Japan relations: Lessons from the Past and Prospects for Free Trade and Strategic Cooperation"
- Moderation: Prof. Toshiro Tanaka, Professor Emeritus, Keio University
- Panelists: Mr. Joern Keck, Former EU Ambassador and Deputy Director General, European Commission
Mr. Hiroshi Tsukamoto, General Manager, EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation
Mr. Bjorn Kongstadt, Policy Director, European Business Council in Japan
Mr. Hitoshi Kawaguchi, Senior Vice President, NISSAN MOTOR Co., Ltd.
- 16:00 – 17:00 Small networking event, refreshments

To Register

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