

The EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation ZOOM webinar

Series: Industrial Sector Roadmap to Carbon Neutrality

~Efforts of European and Japanese Chemical industries~

Monday, February 27, 2023 17:00-18:30 Tokyo (9:00-10:30 Brussels)

(With English-Japanese Simultaneous Interpretation / Free event)

The EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation will host a webinar on the EU-Japan approach to carbon neutrality in the chemical industry, which is considered to be the second largest CO₂ emitter after steel. Products manufactured by the chemical industry cover many fields, but a significant portion of raw materials are petroleum-derived, and the challenge is how to convert these into recycling-oriented materials. Meanwhile, energy sources used in manufacturing must also adopt substitution systems. From this perspective, relevant governmental agencies and industry experts of the EU and Japan will discuss about their efforts, challenges and future initiatives, and explore the possibilities for bilateral and regional industrial cooperation in the energy & chemical field.

Program

17:00 -17:05 (9:00 – 9:05) Opening remarks

- **Manuel Hubert**, Managing Director European Side, [the EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation](#)

17:05-18:05 (9:05 – 10:05) Presentation

- **Roberto Rinaldi**, Policy Officer; [Bioeconomy, Chemicals & Cosmetics Unit; Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs; European Commission](#)
- **Katsumoto Yoshimura**, Director, Material Industry Division, Manufacturing Industries Bureau, [Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry \(METI\)](#)
- **Elena Leonardi**, Manager Energy and Climate, [the European Chemical Industry Council \(CEFIC\)](#)
- **Noriyuki Mita**, Director, Strategy and Planning Division, Petrochemical/Carbon Business Group, [Mitsubishi Chemical Corporation](#) & Chair, Energy and Climate Change Leadership Group, [International Coalition of Chemical Associations](#)

18:05-18:30 (10:05 – 10:30) Discussion & Q&A

Moderator

- **Yasuo Tanabe**, Managing Director Japan Side, [the EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation](#)

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- Q&A: Questions during the webinar can be entered in the Q&A box on your screen. In addition, it's possible to accept questions in advance when registering for ZOOM participation.



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