

Delegation of the European Union to Japan



### The EU Delegation to Japan and the EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation Joint Hybrid Seminar

# Renewable energy: the business case for going green

## **Testimonies from European and Japanese SMEs**

#### Monday, April 17, 2023 17:00-18:45 Tokyo/10:00-11:45 Brussels Venue: Delegation of the European Union to Japan (See appendix) + ZOOM Webinar with Simultaneous Interpretation/ Free event

Both the EU and Japan have set the target for their economies to become climate neutral by 2050; By 2030, EU leaders aim to have 45% of all energy consumed in the EU coming from renewables, while Japan aims to generate 36%-38% of its energy from renewables. The energy landscape long dominated by large fossil fuel market players is changing at a rapid pace and new players are emerging with innovative solutions attracted by the perspective of huge markets. Can the private sector meet the challenge to create sufficient capacities to reach those targets? What are the necessary conditions for the development of competitive renewable energy markets? How to ensure that the required technological solutions will be available for the integration of massive deployment of renewables, that the supply chains will be resilient, that sufficient skilled labor will be available and that the necessary financing will be attracted? How can the EU and Japan cooperate to achieve their common objective of a decarbonized society?

## Program

17:00-17:05 Opening remarks

- Jean-Eric Paquet, Ambassador of the EU to Japan, the EU Delegation to Japan

17:05-17:20 Keynote speech

- Ditte Juul Jørgensen, Director-General, Directorate-General for Energy, <u>European</u> <u>Commission</u>

17:20-18:00 Presentation

- Tomohiro Yamazaki, CEO, earthsolar, Inc.
- Takamasa Takeuchi, Project Manager, Chiba Ecological Energy Inc.
- Dariusz Chrząstowski, Supervisory Board Chairman, Saule technologies
- Miguel Sakamoto, Sales Director, GridBeyond

18:00-18:40 Q&A/Discussion

- Moderator: Manuel Hubert, EU-side MD, EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation

18:40-18:45 Closing remarks

- Yasuo Tanabe, Japan-side MD, EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation

18:45-20:00 Networking Reception

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