



BRT 2019 Annual Meeting – Morning & early Afternoon Sessions  
Wednesday, 15 May 2019 / Palais d'Égmont, Brussels – @EUJapanCentre, #EUJapan

Meeting Chairmen: Masaki Sakuyama (Chairman, Mitsubishi Electric Corporation) & Ben Story (Strategic Marketing Director, Rolls-Royce plc)

*The discussions will take place in the Arenberg Room*

08:30	<b>Registration and Welcome Coffee</b>	<i>outside the Arenberg Room</i>
09:00	<b>Separate EU and Japan-side Briefings</b>	
	<b>EU-side Briefing</b> <i>in the Blue Room</i>	<b>Japan-side Briefing</b> <i>in the Orange Room</i>
09:45	<b>Opening Session</b> Opening remarks by the BRT co-Chairmen (Ben Story and Masaki Sakuyama)	Chair: Ben Story (2 minutes each)
09:50	<b>Reports by the BRT Working Parties</b>	Chair: Masaki Sakuyama
	Summary of Recommendations (5 minutes each)	
	WP1: Michael Mroczek (EBC) <i>Trade Relations; Investment and Regulatory Cooperation; Financial Services, Accounting &amp; Taxation</i>	
	WP2: Keiji Kono (Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.) <i>Life Sciences &amp; Biotechnology, Healthcare and Well-Being</i>	
	WP3: Jean-Jacques Lavigne (Fives Japan) <i>Digital Innovation &amp; Mobility</i>	
	WP4: Mark Pleško (Cosylab d.d.) <i>Environment and Sustainable Development</i>	
	Endorsement of the BRT's 2019 Summary of Recommendations and Working Party Reports	
10:15	<b>Future EU-Japan Cooperation on Climate Issues, Innovation, and Sustainable Finance for Growth</b>	Chair: Ben Story
	EC: Mauro Petriccione, Director-General for Climate Action (5 minutes)	
	MOFA: Kenji Yamada, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs (5 minutes)	
	Q&A and discussion (90 seconds per speaker)	
10:45	<b>Coffee Break</b>	<i>outside the Arenberg Room</i>
11:00	<b>Digital Economy</b> - IoT, AI, data governance, eHealth, 5G & networks -	Chair: Masaki Sakuyama
	MIC: Akihiko Miyamoto, Director-General for International Affairs, Global Strategy Bureau (5 minutes)	
	• BRT EU-side: Markus Beyrer (BusinessEurope) (3 minutes)	
	• BRT Japan-side: Norihiko Ishiguro (NEC) (3 minutes)	
	• BRT EU-side: Pascal Kerneis (European Services Forum) (3 minutes)	
	• Q&A and discussion (90 seconds per speaker)	
11:30	<b>UK Withdrawal from the EU</b>	Chair: Ben Story
end 11:50	BRT discussion on how Brexit will impact EU-Japanese business and how to address this challenge (90 seconds per speaker)	
12:00	<b>Lunch (end 13:20)</b>	<i>in the Mirror Gallery</i>
13:35	<b>Bilateral Investment / Investment Cooperation in Third Countries</b> - Quality infrastructure investment and international initiatives as the foundations for sustainable growth -	Chair: Masaki Sakuyama
	European Investment Bank: Edvardas Bumsteinas, Head of Division – Mandate Development, Mandate Management Department, Operations Directorate (5 minutes)	
	Japan Bank for International Cooperation: Masayuki Tanimoto, Resident Executive Officer, Regional Head for Europe, the Middle East and Africa (5 minutes)	
	Nippon Export and Investment Insurance: Kei Kawahara, Head of Paris Office; Chief Representative for Europe, Russia CIS, Middle East and Africa Region (5 minutes)	
	European External Action Service: Romana Vlahutin, EEAS Ambassador at Large for Connectivity (2 minutes)	
end 14:05	Q&A and discussion (90 seconds per speaker)	



14:10	<b>Building on the EU-Japan EPA</b> - <i>Helping SMEs take advantage of the EPA</i> -	Chair: Ben Story
	<b>EC:</b> Elżbieta Bieńkowska, Commissioner for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (5 minutes)	
	<b>METI:</b> Akimasa Ishikawa, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Economy, Trade and Industry (5 minutes)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>EU-side:</b> SMEunited: Véronique Willems, Secretary-General (3 minutes)</li> <li>• <b>Japan-side:</b> Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO): Yasukazu Irino, Executive Vice President (3 minutes)</li> </ul>	
end 14:40	• <b>Discussion</b> (90 seconds per speaker)	

14:45	<b>Keynote Addresses</b>	Chair: Masaki Sakuyama
	<b>EC:</b> Jyrki Katainen, Vice-President: “EU-Japan overall economic cooperation in a challenging global environment” (8 minutes)	
	<b>MOFA:</b> Kenji Yamada, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs (8 minutes)	
	<b>Discussion</b> (90 seconds per speaker)	

15:25	<b>Handover of the BRT's 2019 Recommendations</b>	Chair: Ben Story
	<b>Recipient on behalf of the European Commission:</b> Vice-President Jyrki Katainen	

15:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>	<i>outside the Arenberg Room</i>
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15:50	<b>Circular Economy, SDGs</b> - <i>Climate, environment, social</i> -	Chair: Masaki Sakuyama
	<b>METI:</b> Akimasa Ishikawa, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Economy, Trade and Industry (5 minutes)	
	<b>EC:</b> Daniel Calleja Crespo, Director-General for Environment (5 minutes)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>BRT Japan-side:</b> Yoji Ohashi (ANA Holdings) (3 minutes)</li> <li>• <b>BRT EU-side:</b> Laurent Dublanquet (Air Liquide) (3 minutes)</li> </ul>	
end 16:20	• <b>Discussion</b> (90 seconds per speaker)	

16:25	<b>Building on the EU-Japan EPA</b> - <i>Advancing regulatory cooperation, free trade, WTO reform, untying market distorting measures</i> -	Chair: Ben Story
	<b>EC:</b> Cecilia Malmström, Commissioner for Trade (5 minutes)	
	<b>METI:</b> Akimasa Ishikawa, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Economy, Trade and Industry (5 minutes)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>BRT Japan-side:</b> Toru Morita (JBCE) (3 minutes)</li> <li>• <b>BRT EU-side:</b> Wolfgang Weber (BASF) (3 minutes)</li> <li>• <b>BRT Japan-side:</b> Miyuki Takahashi (Nissan) (3 minutes)</li> </ul>	
end 16:55	• <b>Discussion</b> (90 seconds per speaker)	

17:00	<b>Building on the EU-Japan EPA</b> - <i>Developing the EU-Japan agri-food industry</i> -	Chair: Masaki Sakuyama
	<b>EC:</b> Phil Hogan, Commissioner for Agriculture & Rural Development (5 minutes)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>BRT EU-side:</b> Frank van Stipdonk (Interfood Holding) (3 minutes)</li> </ul>	
	• <b>Discussion</b> (90 seconds per speaker)	

17:30	<b>Closing Session</b>	Chair: Ben Story
end 17:35	<b>Closing remarks</b> by the BRT co-Chairmen (Ben Story and Masaki Sakuyama)	

17:45	<b>Evening Reception</b>	<i>in the Marble Gallery</i>
17:50	<b>METI:</b> Akimasa Ishikawa, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Economy, Trade and Industry	
	<b>EC:</b> Timo Pesonen, Director-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs	
	<b>MOFA:</b> Kenji Yamada, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs (3 minutes each)	