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The 10th Anniversary Kobe University Brussels European Centre Symposium

**Open Science, Evolving Societies:
New Horizons for EU-Japan Research**

Organised jointly with Vrije Universiteit Brussel
Tuesday 22 October 2019

VENUE Vrije Universiteit Brussel Conference Centre, U-Residence, Bld Général Jacques 271, 1050 Brussels.

8:45-9:15 REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE

9:15-10:00 OPENING ADDRESSES (CONFERENCE ROOM A)

Moderator Introduction by the Moderator, **Prof. Kazunari Sakai**, Kobe University (Japan)

Speakers **Prof. Hiroshi Takeda**, President, Kobe University (Japan)
Prof. Dr. Caroline Pauwels, Rector, Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Belgium)
H.E. Mr. Kazuo Kodama, Ambassador of Japan to the European Union (Japan)
Mr. Jean-Eric Paquet, Director-General, DG RTD, European Commission (TBC)

10:00-13:30 MORNING PARALLEL SESSIONS

10:00-13:30 PARALLEL SESSION 1: ECONOMICS (CONFERENCE ROOM A)
EU – JAPAN EPA AND SPA: JOINING FORCES FOR A RULE-BASED INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER

10:00-11:35 Theme 1: EU-Japan EPA: A New Paradigm for International Trade

Moderator **Prof. Masahiko Yoshii**, Vice-President, Kobe University (Japan)

Speakers **Prof. Masahiko Yoshii**, Vice-President, Kobe University (Japan)
Prof. Taiji Hagiwara, Kobe University (Japan)
Speaker, Vrije Universiteit Brussels (Belgium)
Ms. Eve Päärendson, European Economic and Social Committee (EU)

Discussant **Prof. Noritsugu Nakanishi / Prof. Yo-ichi Matsubayashi**, Kobe University (Japan)

11:35-11:55 Coffee and networking break

11:55-13:30 Theme 2: What next for EU-Japan Strategic Partnership Agreement?

Moderator **Mr Piet Steele**, Honorary Consul for Japan (Belgium) (TBC)

Speakers **Prof. Jean-Christophe Defraigne**, UCLouvain Saint-Louis (Belgium)
Mr. Gunnar Wiegand, Managing Director Asia, European External Action Service (EU) (TBC)
Representative from Japanese Mission (TBC)
Additional Speaker (TBC)

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10:00-13:00 **PARALLEL SESSION 2: NATURAL SCIENCES** (CONFERENCE ROOM B)
FOOD SYSTEMS FOR QUALITY SAFETY AND FUNCTIONALITY

10:00-11:40 **Theme 1: Food Systems for Quality and Safety**

Moderators **Prof. Ken-ichi Yoshida**, Kobe University (Japan)
 Prof. Stefan Weckx, Vrije Univesiteit Brussel (Belgium)

Speakers **Prof. Hideyuki Mannen**, Kobe University (Japan)
 Prof. Hiromichi Itoh, Kobe University (Japan)
 Additional Speaker (University of Milano) (TBC)
 Additional Speaker (EU Food Safety Authority) (TBC)

11:40-12:00 Coffee and networking break

12:00-13:30 **Theme 2: Food Systems for Functionality**

Moderators **Prof. Ken-ichi Yoshida**, Kobe University (Japan)
 Prof. Stefan Weckx, Vrije Univesiteit Brussel (Belgium)

Speakers **Prof. Ro Osawa**, Kobe University (Japan)
 Dr. Philippe Langella , INRA (France)
 Additional Speaker (University of Bari) (TBC)

10:00-13:00 **PARALLEL SESSION 3: SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES** (CONFERENCE ROOM C)
PRESERVING THE PAST, CELEBRATING THE PRESENT, EMBRACING THE FUTURE: A NEW AGE FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE RESEARCH IN EU AND JAPAN

10:00-11:35 **Theme 1: Celebrating the Present, Embracing the Future: Communities and Cultural Heritage**

Moderator **Mr.Patrick Vittet-Philippe**, Kobe University Brussels European Office

Speakers **Prof. Gàbor Sonkoly**, ELTE University (Hungary)
 Dr. Dorota Nigge, European Commission (EU)
 Prof. Jörg B. Quenzer, University of Hamburg
 Prof. Delheye, University of Gent (Belgium)

11:35-11:55 Coffee and networking break

11:55-13:30 **Theme 2: Making History Come Alive: New Challenges and Opportunities for Cultural Heritage Institutions**

Moderator **Prof. Hiroko Masumoto**, Kobe University (Japan)

Speakers **Prof. Simon Kaner**, University of East Anglia and Sainsbury Institute for the Study of Japanese Arts and Culture (UK)
 Prof. Makoto Goto, National Museum of Japanese History (Japan)
 Prof Arturo Rodríguez Morató, University of Barcelona (Spain) (TBC)
 Dr.Constanze Itzel, Director, House of European History (EU)
 Dr. Benedek Varga, Hungarian National Museum (Hungary)

13:30-14:30 **JAPANESE NETWORKING LUNCH**

14:30-17:00 **AFTERNOON - OPEN INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS AND BROKERAGE EVENTS**

14:30-17:00 **OPEN INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP/BROKERAGE EVENT A:** (CONFERENCE ROOM A)
NEW HORIZONS IN ECONOMIC RESEARCH

Session producer/leader: **Prof. Masahiko Yoshii**, Kobe University

Participants: morning session speakers, additional experts, graduate students, and **Mr. Massimiliano Porto**, Kobe University (Japan)

Objective: to prepare joint EU-Japan research projects (including towards future Horizon 2020 and Horizon Europe Calls)

14:30-17:00 **OPEN INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP B** (CONFERENCE ROOM B)
FOOD SYSTEMS FOR QUALITY, SAFETY AND SUSTAINABILITY

Session producers/leaders: **Prof Ken-ichi Yoshida**, Kobe University, and **Prof. Stefan Weckx**, VUB

Speaker:

Prof. Hideaki Shimizu, National Research Institute of Brewing (Japan)

Discussants:

Prof. Hideyuki Mannen, Kobe University (Japan)

Prof. Hiromichi Itoh, Kobe University (Japan)

Philippe Langella INRA (France)

Objective: open round table to share mutual scientific interests and discuss funding possibilities for international collaborative projects; two presentations (and tasting) of Japanese and Belgian beers,

14:30-17:00 **OPEN INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP C:** (CONFERENCE ROOM C)
TOWARDS A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO CULTURAL HERITAGE RESEARCH: CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

Session producers/leaders: **Prof. Okamura** and **Masumoto**, Kobe University, **Prof Gabor Sonkoly**, ELTE, **Prof Kaner**, East Anglia

Participants: morning session speakers, additional experts, graduate students, and

Prof. Hiroshi Okumura, Kobe University (Japan)

Prof. Masashi Amano, National Museum of Japanese History (Japan)

Dr. Zoltan Krasnay, European Commission (EU) (TBC)

Dr. Virginie Fermaud, University of Strasbourg (France) (TBC)

Prof. José Maria Civantos, University of Granada (Spain) (TBC)

Discussant: **Prof. Hiroshi Kurushima**, National Museum of Japanese History (Japan)

Objective: to prepare joint EU-Japan research projects on Cultural Heritage issues, a priority issue for both the EU and Japan (including towards future Horizon 2020 and Horizon Europe Calls)

17:00-17:15 **CONCLUDING SESSION AND CLOSING REMARKS**

Prof. Matsuto Ogawa, Executive Vice-President, Kobe University

Prof. Romain Meeusen, Vice-Rector, Vrije Universiteit Brussel

17:15-18:30 **NETWORKING RECEPTION AND DRINKS**