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JIIA Public Symposium

Strengthening Japan-Pacific Island Countries Partnership

The Japan Institute of International Affairs, with the support of the Japan Ministry of Foreign Affairs, is proud to announce that it will be hosting a public symposium on **Strengthening Japan-Pacific Island Countries Partnership**.

Japan and Pacific Island Countries have historically maintained close bilateral relations, based on strong historical connections and active economic support. However in recent years, with the changing generation of people of Japanese descent and the expanded influence of other countries, such strong relations can no longer be taken for granted.

Initiated on such foundations, the object of the upcoming forum is to deepen debate on policies aimed at strengthening partnerships between Japan and Pacific Island Countries in the medium to long term. The forum will facilitate the exchange of opinions between government affiliates and experts on a number of subjects related to Pacific Island Countries, and encourage discussions as to how best Japan should cooperate in the region.

We are delighted to extend to you an invitation to this symposium. If you are able to attend, we ask that the completed attendance form is forwarded to JIIA via fax or E-mail by September 8th (Wed). We thank you in advance and very much look forward to your attendance.

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Date/Time: Monday, September 13, 2010, 10:30-16:00

Language: English and Japanese (Simultaneous interpretation)

Agenda: 10:30-12:30 : *Strengthening Japan-Pacific Island Countries Partnership*

Chairperson: *Ms. Keiko Chino*: Sankei Newspaper Columnist/Editorial Writer

Keynote speaker: *Mr. Akitaka Saiki*: (To be confirmed)

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Director General of the Asian and Oceanian Affairs Bureau

Panellists: *H.E. John Fritz*: Ambassador of the Federated States of Micronesia

Mr. Kenichi Sudo: Director, National Museum of Ethnology

Mr. Biman Prasad: Professor, University of the South Pacific

Mr. Akira Nakamura: Professor, Meiji University Graduate School

14:00-16:00: *Seeking Japan's Way to Support Sustainable Development in the Pacific Island Region: Assessment of the Pacific Island Forum Summit Process*

Chairperson: *Mr. Yoshiji Nogami*: JIIA President

Keynote speech: *Mr. Feleti Teo*, Deputy Secretary General of the Pacific Islands Forum (PIF)

Briefing: *Mr. Mitsuru Kitano* (To be confirmed)

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Deputy Director General of the Asian and Oceanian Affairs Bureau

Panellists: *Mr. Izumi Kobayashi*: Professor, Osaka Gakuin University

Director, the Global Issues Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, (To be confirmed)

Mr. Suka Mangisi: Official, Tongan Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Venue: First Floor, Kasumigaseki Building, Plaza Hall

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