The Twelfth Tokyo Dialogue of the "Central Asia plus Japan" Dialogue "Connectivity with Central Asia and Caucasus" March 15, 2023, Kasumigaseki Plaza Hall, Tokyo, Japan Agenda

(Arrival of participants: 13:30-14:00)

1. Opening Session (14:00-14:35, 35 min.)

Opening Remarks

- -Ms. YOSHIKAWA Yuumi, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs
- -Ms. WATANABE Mayu, President, Global Forum of Japan (Co-organizer)

Key Note Speech

- -Professor UYAMA Tomohiko, the Slavic-Eurasian Research Center, Hokkaido University
- -Mr. KUROSU Toshihiko, Director, Russia, Central Asia and Caucasus Office, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry

Presentation on Potentials and challenges of Trans-Caspian Sea Route

2. Panel Discussion 1: Institutional coordination and human resource development for broader regional cooperation (14:50-16:05, 75min.)

- -Mr. ICHIBA Hiroaki, Director, Central Asia and Caucasus Division, MOFA (Moderator)
- -Mr. Arman ADEPBAYEV, Senior Expert of Ministry of Industry and Infrastructural Development, Kazakhstan
- -Mr. Mederbek KURMANBEKOV, Deputy Minister of Transport and Communication, Kyrgyz Republic
- -Mr. Khusrav MIRZOEV, First Secretary, External Economic Cooperation Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tajikistan
- -Mr. Abdulla KHASHIMOV, Director of Development of Transport Corridors and Logistics Department, Ministry of Investment, Industry and Trade, Uzbekistan
- -Dr. Irakli DANELIA, Business Development Head for Black Sea and Central Asia Regions of Maersk Tbilisi, Georgia
- -Mr.Rati DEVADZE, Deputy Head of Transport and Logistics Development Policy Department, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia
- -Mr. KOIZUMI Yukihiro, Deputy Director General, Infrastructure Management Department, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
- -Ms. SASAKI Asuka, Senior Deputy Director, International Cooperation Division, Custom & Tariff Bureau, Ministry of Finance, Japan
- -Mr. OZEKI Makoto, Deputy General Manager, NVOCC Department, Nissin Corporation (Deputy Secretary General of Coordination Council on Trans Eurasian Transportation)

3. Panel Discussion 2: Digitalization in trade and customs (16:20-17:15, 55min.)

- -Mr. ICHIBA Hiroaki, Director, Central Asia and Caucasus Division, MOFA (Moderator)
- -Mr. Fariz ALIYEV, Head of Transport Policy Department, Ministry of Digital Development and Transport, Azerbaijan
- -Mr. Yklym KAKAMURADOW, Head of Department of Customs Statistics, State Customs Service, Turkmenistan
- -Mr. YAMAZAKI Kastunori, Director, Enterprise Business Department, Business and Marketing Division, Nippon Telegraph and Telephone (NTT) West Corpotation
- -Mr. YASUI Tadashi, Head, External Relations, World Customs Organization (WCO)
- -Mr. FUJIMITSU Motohiro, Manager, WCO/JICA Joint Project, Capacity Building Directorate
- -Mr. YAMAGUCHI Osamu, Senior Consultant, Research & Consulting Unit 3, NX Logistics Research Institute and Consulting, Inc.

4. Closing (17:15)

5. Reception (17:15-18:15, 60min)

*Language: Japanese (English and Russian simultaneous interpretation)

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