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Challenges and opportunities in seeking an ever more autonomous and comprehensive maritime order

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Draft programme/Suggested speakers and topics of presentation

08:30-09:00	Registration
09:00-09:15	Opening Remarks
	(TBC – Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs) Dr Atsushi Sunami, President, Ocean Policy Research Institute, Sasakawa Peace Foundation
09:15-09:45	Keynote Address
	Prof Atsuko Kanehara , Councilor of the National Headquarters for Ocean Policy Professor, Faculty of Law, Sophia University
09:45-11:00	Panel 1: Normative assessment of baselines
	MODERATOR: Prof Kentaro Nishimoto, Professor, Faculty of Law, Tohoku University
	SPEAKERS: 15 minutes each
	Mr Epeli Maisema, Senior Marine Affairs Officer, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Fiji Topic: <u>Actual situations in geographical fluctuation of coastline in the South Pacific</u>
	Capt Massimiliano Nannini, Vice-Director, Italian Navy Hydrographic Institute Topic: Contemporary issues regarding the surveillance of coastline
	Prof Elizabeth Mendenhall, Assistant Professor, Department of Maritime Affairs/Department of Political Science, University of Rhode Island Topic: Ensuring legal stability and predictability of baselines
	Q&A: 30 minutes
11:15-12:30	Panel 2: Peaceful settlement of maritime boundary disputes - norms, procedures and the obligations of states concerned
	<u>MODERATOR</u> : Prof Kazuhiro Nakatani , Professor, Graduate Schools for Law and Politics, University of Tokyo
	SPEAKERS: 15 minutes each
	Prof Yurika Ishii , Associate Professor, Department of International Relations, National Defense Academy of Japan Topic: <u>Development of methodologies for maritime boundary delimitation and obligations of the parties during the transitional period</u>
	Prof Stuart Kaye, Director and Distinguished Professor, Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS), University of Wollongong Topic: Lessons learned from the Timor-Leste/Australia delimitation case & the environmental aspects of the South China Sea case
	Prof Kentaro Furuya , Japan Coast Guard Academy/National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies <i>Topic:</i> <u>Law enforcement in disputed areas</u>
	Q&A: 30 minutes
12:30-14:00	Lunch reception for moderators/speakers/organisers (invitation only)

14:00-15:15

Panel 3: Marine scientific research – developments in EEZ, new challenges in ABNJ

MODERATOR: Dr Miko Maekawa, Senior Research Fellow, Ocean Policy Research Institute

SPEAKERS: 15 minutes each

Prof Vasco Becker-Weinberg, Professor, School of Law, New University of Lisbon

Topic: Rationale behind the regime of marine scientific research under the UN Convention

on the Law of the Sea

Dr. Yoshihisa Shirayama, Associate Executive Director, Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology (JAMSTEC)

Topic: Contemporary importance of marine scientific research

Prof Sookyeon Huh, Associate Professor, College of Law and Politics, Rikkyo University

Topic: Implications of upcoming new legal instrument on BBNJ and deep seabed mining

<u>rules</u>

Q&A: 30 minutes

15:30-16:45

Panel 4: Ocean governance – learning from regional experiences to address global challenges

MODERATOR: Prof Chie Kojima, Faculty of Law, Musashino University

SPEAKERS: 15minutes each

Mr Masanori Kobayashi, Senior Research Fellow, Ocean Policy Research Institute

Topic: Regional ocean-governance in the Indo-Pacific region

Dr David Freestone, Executive Secretary, Sargasso Sea Commission

Topic: Experiences in the Sargasso Sea

Ms Kristine Dalaker Kraabel, Research Fellow, K. G. Jebsen Centre for the Law of the Sea,

University of Tromsø

Topic: Experiences in the Arctic Ocean

Q&A: 30 minutes

16:45-17:00

Closing remarks

HE Mr Francis M Matsutaro, Ambassador of the Republic of Palau to Japan

17:30-19:00

Welcome reception

Keynote address by **Mr Masataka Okano**, Director-General for International Legal Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan