An international seminar hosted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan "Emerging Trend toward Responsible Natural Resource Development"

DATE: January 26 (Tue), 2010 VENUE: MITA KAIGISHO, Tokyo

LANGUAGE: Japanese-English (simultaneous interpretation)

The seminar will focus on emerging trend toward enhancing international cooperation in natural resource extraction to help achieve sustainable development and poverty reduction in resource-rich countries, thereby ensuring a long-term win-win relationship between the people/ government of the host country and investors. A particular emphasis will be placed onto examining the merits of the Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative (EITI).

Representative stakeholders from the extractive industries, international organizations and governments are invited to speak at the event. Audiences should include stakeholders from extractive companies, service companies, academics, civil society organizations, embassies in Tokyo, and the government and its agencies.

PROGRAM:

14:00	Opening Remarks
	Mr. Yoichi Otabe, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs
14:10-14:55	Overview and challenges in resource development and management
Session I	Set the scene by reviewing the current situation in natural resource extraction around the
	world and highlight challenges ahead in achieving more prudent development and use of natural resource wealth.
	Speakers should include:
	Mr. Natsumi Kamiya, Deputy Director General, Japan Oil, Gas and Metals
	National Corporation (JOGMEC)
	Mr. Masatsugu Taniguchi, CEO, Strategy Design Institute Resources and
	Environment
	Mr. Bashir Mrindoko, Commissioner for Energy and Petroleum, Ministry of
	Energy and Minerals, Tanzania
14:55-15:40	EITI and responsible business conduct in the mining sector
Session II	Provide the context, principles, procedures and other basic information about the EITI and
	examine its merits from the perspectives of extractive industries and host governments, thereby illustrating emerging trend toward responsible business conduct in mining sector.
	Speakers should include:
	Mr. Jonas Moberg, Head of EITI Secretariat
	Mr. Graham Baxter, Director for Responsible Business Solutions of the
	International Business Leaders Forum and Former Vice President of BP
	Mr. Muhamad Husen, Assistant Deputy Minister, Coordinating Ministry for

Economic Affairs, Indonesia

16:10-17:40	Panel Discussion: Roles of Japan and international community in
	achieving sustainable development and use of natural resources
Session II	Discuss what Japan and international community should do to address challenges in natural resource extraction and management particularly in resource-rich developing countries for the sake of prudent and sustainable development of finite resources that will ensure stable supply to countries in need including Japan.
	Moderator:
	Mr. Katsumi Hirano, Director-General, Institute of Developing Economies -
	Japan External Trade Organization (IDE-JETRO)
	Panelists should include the speakers in the previous session
17:40	Closing Remarks
	Mr. Shuichi Akamatsu, Director, Economic Security Division, MOFA
18:00-19:00	Reception (cocktail)