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# 20 Years of Peacekeeping Operations for the UN and Japan *-Taking on New Challenges*

United Nations Peacekeeping Operations (PKOs) are one of the best known means for the UN to carry out its responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security. This year marks the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Japan's participation in UN Peacekeeping Operations, as well as of the creation of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO) within the UN Secretariat. During this period, what roles had been played by UN peacekeeping? What challenges are being faced by peacekeeping in today's drastically changing world? In what ways should peacekeeping respond to them? What contributions could Japan make in its participation to UN peacekeeping?

In this symposium, we will discuss important issues surrounding UN Peacekeeping from the viewpoint of both the UN and Japan, with participation of prominent policy makers, practitioners, leading scholars and others from Japan and the international community.

- \*Admission: Free of charge    \*Languages: Japanese and English (Simultaneous interpretation is available.)
- \*Inquiry: Registration office for the symposium (within Nissansha Inc.) Tel: 03-5570-3509
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## Program

### Opening Remarks

**Mr. Koichiro GEMBA**, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan (TBC)

### Session 1: Keynote Speech "The Recent 20 years of Peacekeeping: A perspective from the UN"

**Mr. Hervé LADSOU**, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, United Nations (TBC)

Commentator: **Prof. Takahiro SHINYO**, Vice-President, Kwansei Gakuin University

### Session 2: Special Report "Japan's Footprints in UN peacekeeping in the Past 20 years"

**Mr. Reiichi TAKAHASHI**, Director-General, International Peace Cooperation Headquarters Secretariat,  
Cabinet Office

### Session 3: Panel Discussion "Future Challenges for UN peacekeeping"

**Mr. Hervé LADSOU**, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, United Nations

**Prof. Richard GOWAN**, Center on International Cooperation, New York University

**Dr. Shinichi KITAOKA**, President, International University of Japan

/ Professor, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies

**Ambassador Tsuneo NISHIDA**, Permanent Representative  
of Japan to the United Nations  
and others

Moderator: **Prof. Toshiya HOSHINO**, Osaka University



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