

Programme

(All the times indicated are in Japan time)

13.00 | Arrival of the participants

13.15 | Introduction

Chair

Sébastien Lechevalier

President of the Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS, Professor at EHESS

Speakers

Yuko Harayama

Co-President of the Cercle de la FFJ, Professor Emeritus at Tohoku University

Bernard Delmas

Co-President of the Cercle de la FFJ, Director of Nissan Motor

Round table 1 | Diversity and creativity

13.30 - 14.50

Chair

Yuko Harayama

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Speakers

Reiko Kanda

Executive Vice President and Senior Director, Nippon Institute for Research Advancement

Toshiko Kobayashi

General Manager, Diversity Development Office, Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.

Charles Kokorian

Managing Director, CCIFJ

Reiko Mazuka

Head of Laboratory for Language Development, RIKEN

Noriko Osumi

Vice-President for Public Relations and Promotion of Diversity, Tohoku University

Masae Sugawara

Manager at Office of STI for SDGs, Japan Science and Technology Agency

Break

Round table 2 | Experiences of Members of the Cercle de la FFJ

15.00 - 16.20

Chair

Sébastien Lechevalier

President of the Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS, Professor at EHESS

Speakers

Kae Amo

Lecturer, Tokyo Seika University

Naonori Kodate

Associate Professor, University College Dublin

Naoko Hosokawa

Postdoctoral fellow, Tokyo College in University of Tokyo

Hiromi Matsui

Associate professor, University of Tokyo

Sayaka Sakoda

Associate professor, Doshisha University

Naho Tanimoto

Professor, Kansai University

Break

Keynote speech

16.30 - 17.00

Chair

Bernard Delmas

Co-President of the Cercle de la FFJ, Director of Nissan Motor

Speaker

Tomoko Kusuda

Vice President, Corporate Responsibility, L'Oréal Japan

Cocktail at the Residence of the French Ambassador

17.30 - 19.00

Opening remarks

Nicolas Thiriet

Minister Counsellor, French Embassy in Japan

Sébastien Lechevalier

President of the Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS, Professor at EHESS

Award ceremony of the Prix FFJ/Christian Polak

Chairs

Christian Polak

Benefactor of the prize

Sébastien Lechevalier

President of the Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS, Professor at EHESS

Speakers

Sania Carbone

1st prize

Lise Bénézet

2nd prize

Françoise Hallez

3rd Prize

Toast

Speakers



Kae Amo
Lecturer, Kyoto Seika University

PhD in anthropology, Kae Amo is currently a lecturer at Kyoto Seika University in the Faculty of Global Studies. Her current areas of research focus on Islam and education in West Africa, new media and social change, Asia-Africa relations. Research Coordinator for the France-Japan Foundation (FFJ) at the EHESS for several years, she had launched a research program the New territorialities between Asia and Africa (2015-2018). She is now an active member at the Center for Africa-Asia Contemporary Culture Studies at Kyoto Seika University and is the primary point of contact for the different stakeholders; be they academics, business leaders, government officials, media members, and civil society representatives. Dr. Amo holds three Master's degrees in political science (Keio University, Japan, 2010), anthropology (EHESS, France, 2009), and sociology (UCAD, Senegal, 2007).



Bernard Delmas
Co-President of the Cercle de la FFJ, Director of Nissan Motor

Bernard Delmas is currently Independent outside director of Nissan Motors, Honorary President of the French Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Japan and French Foreign Trade Advisor in Japan. After graduating from the École Nationale Supérieure des Mines (1977) and HEC (1979), he joined the Michelin Group where he held a number of positions in Asia. He is former President & CEO of Nihon Michelin Tire Co.



Yuko Harayama
Co-President of the Cercle de la FFJ, Professor Emeritus at Tohoku University

Dr. Yuko Harayama is Professor Emeritus at Tohoku University. Shi is also the former Executive Director of RIKEN and the former Executive Member of the Council for Science, Technology and Innovation, Cabinet Office of Japan. She is the former Deputy Director of the Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation, OECD. She is a Legion D'Honneur recipient (Chevalier), and was awarded honorary doctorate from the University of Neuchâtel. Previously, she was Professor in the Department of Management Science and Technology at the Graduate School of Engineering of Tohoku University. She holds a Ph.D. in education sciences and a Ph.D. in economics, both from the University of Geneva.



Naoko Hosokawa
Postdoctoral researcher, Tokyo College, University of Tokyo

Naoko Hosokawa is a postdoctoral researcher at Tokyo College, the University of Tokyo. She previously worked at the University of Strasbourg (Assistant Professor) and the European University Institute (Max Weber Fellow). She obtained a DPhil (PhD) in Oriental Studies from the University of Oxford. She holds an MSc in International Relations from the London School of Economics and

Political Science, an MA in Political Science from Columbia University, and a BA in Policy Management from Keio University.



Reiko Kanda
Executive Vice President and Senior Director, Nippon Institute for Research Advancement

Ms. Kanda joined the Nippon Institute for Research Advancement (NIRA) in 2008 as Senior Director, and was appointed as an Executive Vice President in 2014. She is responsible for project planning and the overall management of the institute. Following her graduation from The University of Tokyo, she joined the Economic Planning Agency (now the Cabinet Office), where she worked in the areas of economic analysis and policy development.



Toshiko Kobayashi
General Manager, Diversity Development Office, Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.

General Manager of Diversity Development Office at Nissan Motor Co, Ltd. Studied international law as BA at Sophia University in Tokyo Japan, and started career as a currency analyst at Chase Manhattan Bank (currently JPMorgan Chase & Co.) in Tokyo. After graduating from School of International and Public Affairs of Columbia University in NY, USA, joined Nissan Motor Co, Ltd. in 2003. Being at Corporate Strategy Department of Nissan, led Business Intelligence team to provide business insights to executive members of Nissan and also led a number of strategic projects including developing Nissan's Corporate Purpose and Long-term Strategy "Ambition 2030". Became in charge of Diversity Development Office in 2022 to drive diversity and to enhance inclusive culture in Nissan.



Naonori Kodate
Associate Professor, University College Dublin

Naonori Kodate is Associate Professor in Social Policy at University College Dublin (UCD), and Director of the UCD Centre for Japanese Studies. He holds a BA (International Relations) and LL.M from the University of Tokyo, MSc in European Politics and Policy, and a Ph.D. in Political Science from the London School of Economics and Political Science. His main research interests include comparative public policy, and science, technology and society (STS), particularly in the use of eHealth (e.g. home care robots) in older people's care, patient safety, and gender equality in STEM education in different cultural settings. His books include Japanese Women in Science and Engineering: History and Policy Change. 'Good health', 'gender equality' and 'quality education' would be the three primary areas, covered by his research, out of 17 UN's Strategic Development Goals (SDGs).



Charles Kokorian
Managing Director, Chambre de Commerce et d'industrie française au Japon

Charles Kokorian is a Global Retail, Brand and Consumer Leader in the Luxury Fashion and Beauty Industry. He is currently the Managing Director of the French Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Japan. He started his career in Marketing in L'Oréal in Paris then moved to LVMH group where he held different positions in Retail in Paris and London for

Louis Vuitton and Loro Piana. In 2015, he became the Retail Director of the Bicester Collection in London (Global Retail group owning 11 shopping malls in Europe and China) and in 2019 he joined Byredo as General Manager UK, a contemporary luxury fragrance brand owned by the Investment Fund Manzanita Capital. He has recently relocated to Japan since 2021.



Tomoko Kusuda
Vice President, Corporate Responsibility, L'Oréal Japan

Tomoko Kusuda has been with L'Oréal Japan for more than 20 years. She held positions in marketing and general management in various divisions and brands including Shu Uemura, La Roche Posay, L'Oréal Professionnel, and Kerastase. She was appointed as a member of Nihon L'Oréal Executive Committee in 2017. She became Vice President in 2020, first to lead Corporate Affairs and Engagement Division. Later in 2022, upon creation of Corporate Responsibility Division, she was appointed as a first General Manager to establish and lead the function. At her current position, she leads CSR and sustainability actions in Japan. She also promotes and protects Group's values of ethics, human rights and DE&I in Japan. In her spare time, she enjoys flower arrangement, cooking and travelling. She is a certified master of Sogetsu School of Ikebana.



Sébastien Lechevalier
President of the Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS, Professor at EHESS

Sébastien Lechevalier is an Economist, Professor at EHESS (School of Advanced Studies in Social Sciences, Paris), he is specialised in Asian Capitalisms. He is also the founder and the president of the Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS (FFJ). He recently joined the Canon Institute for Global Studies (CIGS) as an International Senior Fellow. His book, *The Great Transformation of Japanese Capitalism* (Routledge, 2014) was published in three languages. It posits an alternative analysis of the Japanese economic trajectory since the early 1980s, and argues that whereas policies inspired by neo-liberalism have been presented as a solution to the Japanese crisis, these policies have in fact been one of the causes of the problems that Japan has faced over the past thirty years. Based on the experience gained in studying the Japanese economy case, he wishes to extend his research to other forms of capitalism in Asia in a comparative perspective with Europe



Hiromi Matsui
Associate professor, University of Tokyo

Hiromi Matsui is associate professor of Comparative Literature and Culture at University of Tokyo, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. After receiving her Ph.D. in Art History at the Université Paris Ouest Nanterre La Défense, she was assistant professor of Art History at Nagoya University, Graduate School of Letters from 2015, and associate professor of Art and Culture at Kobe University, Graduate School of Intercultural Studies from 2018. Her field is French modern art history, and her recent research interests cover the conception of "reality" in modern and contemporary art.



Reiko Mazuka
Head of Laboratory for Language Development, RIKEN

After obtaining her BA and MA in psychology from Nagoya University, she received an MSc in general linguistics from University of Edinburgh. Her PhD was granted by Cornell University in the field of developmental psychology. In 1989 she joined the Department of Psychology (currently Psychology & Neuroscience) at Duke University, where she continues to hold the position of Research Professor. In 2004, she joined RIKEN Brain Science Institute and opened the Laboratory for Language Development. Her investigations center on how infants learn the sound system of languages using behavioral, computational, and imaging techniques, especially in relation to language-specific characteristics of Japanese.



Noriko Osumi
Vice-President for Public Relations and Promotion of Diversity, Tohoku University

Prof. Osumi has graduated Tokyo Medical and Dental University, been given PhD thesis from the same university, and becomes a professor of Tohoku University School of Medicine since 1998. She was one of the 25 Distinguished Professors in Tohoku University from 2008 to 2011, and has become Vice President of Tohoku University and Director of University Libraries from 2018. Osumi served as a member of Science Council Japan for three terms, and is now EMBO Associate Member from 2019. Her research background is developmental biology, and she has interest in brain development, evolution, and disease. She has been appointed in various governmental committees such as ethical issues, grant system development, gender equality and career paths for young scientists, and recently awarded with Commendation for Science and Technology by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology.



Sayaka Sakoda
Associate professor, Doshisha University

Sayaka Sakoda is an Economist and an Associate Professor at Doshisha University, Kyoto, after finishing JSPS Post-Doctoral Fellow at Kyoto University in FY2021. Her specialty is Income Distribution, Health Economics and Gender Issues. She is also an Associate Researcher of Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS (FFJ). She published books "Unequal Society in Married Couples" and "The Economics of Divorce", and the last of these trilogies "Infidelity: a social science perspective-who does it and why?", which will be published

soon.



Masae Sugawara
Manager at Office of STI for SDGs, Japan Science and Technology Agency

Masae Sugawara is Manager in the Office of STI for SDGs at the Department of Strategic Planning and Management, the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST). She joined JST in August 2009 and gained experience in the Department of Industry-Academic Collaboration, Department of International Affairs and JST Paris Office, before taking her current position in October 2022. She also spent two years at the Division of Medical Device Research at the Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (AMED) from 2015 to

2017. Masae holds a Ph. D. in Biophysics from Paul Sabatier University, France, was a CNRS postdoc at the University of Strasbourg, France, and a CRUK research fellow at the University of Birmingham, UK.



Naho Tanimoto
Professor, Kansai University

Professor at Kansai University, Naho Tanimoto specializes in sociology of culture. She has her Ph.D at Osaka University in 2001. Her books, "Sociology of Cosmetic Surgery and Makeup" (sinyosha) and "Sociology of Love" (Seikyusha) was published in 2008,"Cosmetic Surgery as Communication: Beyond Social Norms and Self-Satisfaction" (Kadensha) in 2018.