

# The Japanese economy and economic structural reform in Japan

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## □ SUMMARY

The Japanese economy is recovering gradually with the recovery of the world economy. However, the Japanese economy has structural problems, and without addressing these problems, Japan's economy cannot achieve robust economic growth even after the end of the economic crisis. In this seminar, firstly, the three structural problems of Japan's economy will be discussed. Secondly, the necessary challenges to overcome these problems amid population decline will be considered. Thirdly, the terrible fiscal situation in Japan will be presented. And on the basis of these economic and fiscal situations, the speaker will argue the problems of the current administration.

## □ ABOUT THE SPEAKER

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