

17 July 2019

**Integrated and Inclusive Approaches to the SDGs in Asia and Globally:
Coming Together Around Shared Solutions**

HLPF 2019 Side Event

Date& Time: 17 July 2019, 17:00 – 20:40
Venue: Murase room, Japan Society (333 East 47th Street New York, NY 10017)
Host: Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)
Co-host: Ministry of the Environment Japan

Light meal and snacks to be served at 17:00-17:30 and break

The set of goals to be reviewed in depth at the High Level Political Forum (HLPF) 2019 include Goal 4 (Quality Education), Goal 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), Goal 10 (Reduced Inequalities), Goal 13 (Climate Action), Goal 16 (Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions) and Goal 17 (Partnerships for the Goals). Achieving this diverse set of goals will require taking an integrated approach in order to identify synergies and avoid trade-offs across multiple objectives. It will further involve collaborative actions between various stakeholders, including government agencies, cities, businesses, research institutions and civil society partners. Such an approach will benefit from aligning ongoing domestic efforts with international organisations, particularly those belonging to the United Nations, while ensuring that researchers and policymakers work across disciplinary and national boundaries to address related problems such as climate change and air pollution.

This event will be divided into two sections that reflect on what is needed to take an integrated and inclusive approaches to the SDGs in Asia and globally. The first section will discuss a whole-of-Japan approach to the SDGs, emphasize the need for cooperation between national-level stakeholders, and also alignment between their actions and international initiatives. The second session will offer a more focused discussion of how collaboration on air pollution and climate change co-benefits can resolve some the region's most costly problems.

Session 1 (17:30-19:40)
A Whole-of-Japan Approach to the SDGs:
Aligning Domestic Actions with International Initiatives

1. Opening Remark (5 min.)

- Prof. Kazuhiko Takeuchi (President, IGES)

2. Welcome Remark (5 min.)

- H.E. Dr. Toshiya Hoshino (Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations)
- Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana (Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)) (tbc)

3. Keynote Speech (10 min. each)

- Mr. Satoru Morishita (Vice-Minister for Global Environmental Affairs, MOEJ)
- Mr. Yuji Kuroiwa (Governor, Kanagawa Prefecture)
- Mr. Masaya Futamiya (Chair, Committee on Responsible Business Conduct & SDGs Promotion, Keidanren / Director – Chairman, Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc.)

4. Special Remark (5 min.)

- Mr. Satya S. Tripathi, (Assistant Secretary-General and Head of the New York Office of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP))

5. SDGs Actions and Initiatives on the focused goals at HLPF 2019 from key Japanese actors
(7 min. each)

- Mr. Tsuneo Oba (Executive Director, Global Compact Network Japan)
- Mr. Yuki Kawahara (President, Taiyo Jyukens Co., Ltd.)
- Ms. Nanami Kado (Branch Coordinator of New York, Japan Youth Platform for Sustainability)
- Dr. Junichi Fujino (Principal Researcher, Program Director, City Taskforce, IGES) and Ms. Nobue Amanuma (Senior Policy Researcher, Sustainability Governance Center, IGES)

6. Panel Discussion (45 min.)

Moderator:

- Prof. Kazuhiko Takeuchi, President, IGES

Panelists:

- Mr. Minoru Takada (Team Leader (Sustainable Energy), Division for Sustainable Development Goals, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA))
- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) (tbc)
- Mr. Felipe Morgado (Senior Manager, Government Relations, United Nations Global Compact)

(UNGC))

- United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) (speaker will be announced soon)
- Mr. Masao Seki (Chair of Task Force on Keidanren's Charter of Corporate Behavior / Senior Adviser on CSR, Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc.)

Discussion Topic;

- 1) Impression and Expectations of Japanese government and stakeholders
- 2) Future Activities, including ideas for SDG summit, Climate Summit and other relevant events

Session1 Moderator:

- Dr. Junichi Fujino (Principal Researcher, Programme Director of City Taskforce, IGES)

15 minute break

Session 2 (19:55-20:40)

The Co-Delivery of Air Pollution and Climate Change Co-benefits in Asia: Crafting Integrated Solutions Across Borders

1. Presentations (12 min. each)

- Yeora Chae, Korea Environment Institute,
"The scientific basis for integrated solutions to climate change and air pollution in Asia"
- Eric Zusman, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies,
"Governing integrated solutions to climate change and air pollution in Asia"
- Hu Tao, Beijing Normal University,
"The co-control of air pollution and climate change: China's experience"

2. Questions and Closing Remarks (9 min.)