

“Beyond coal – Towards net-zero emissions: A common challenge for Japan and Germany”

18 December 2020, 4-6 pm JST, 8-10 am CET

AGENDA

FACILITATOR: Yukari Takamura, University of Tokyo

TIME	SESSION
16.00 – 16.10	<p>WELCOME</p> <p><i>Ina Lepel, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany in Japan</i> <i>Kazuhiko Takeuchi, President, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES), Japan</i></p>
16.10 – 16.20	<p>“THE LONG WAY OUT” – GERMANY AND COAL</p> <p><i>Hannah Schindler, Senior Project Coordinator, Climate Transparency</i></p>
16.20 – 16.50	<p>“...AND NOW A FAST RUN” – HOW FAST CAN WE, HOW FAST DO WE NEED TO REDUCE EMISSIONS FROM COAL?</p> <p>Japan and Germany both committed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to net-zero by 2050. This conversation will explore what this means for the phase-out of coal in both countries. <i>Hiroshi Ono, Director General, Global Environment Bureau, Ministry of the Environment, Japan</i> <i>Norbert Gorissen, Deputy Director-General, International Policy Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, Germany</i></p>
16.50 – 17.05	<p>Q&A</p>
	<p>RUNNING TOGETHER: INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION FOR DECARBONIZING THE WORLD</p> <p>Along with the principle of not financing new coal power projects, Japan’s new Infrastructure System Export Strategy set forth an approach of encouraging other countries to make the shift to decarbonisation by offering assistance with policy formulation and providing a range of decarbonisation technology options. This Session will discuss how to promote developing countries’ decarbonisation through policy engagement and the provision of technology options.</p>

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17.05 – 17.20	AN ANALYSIS OF JAPAN'S NEW INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEM EXPORT STRATEGY <i>Kentaro Tamura, Programme Director, Climate and Energy Area, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES), Japan</i>
17.20 – 17.45	ROUND OF COMMENTS BY <i>Toshihiko Masui, Head, Center for Social and Environmental Systems Research (Integrated Environment and Economy Section), National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES), Japan</i> <i>Jürgen Kern, Director Corporate Strategy and Sustainability, KfW Group</i> <i>Neil Miyabe, Head, Global Business, RENOVA, Inc.</i> <i>Fabby Tumiwa, Executive Director, Institute for Essential Service Reform, Indonesia</i>
17.45 – 18.00	Q&A AND SUMMARY

ABOUT IGES:

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