Tokyo Dialogue on Sustainable Finance
- an event in view of the G20 summit in Japan -
3 June 2019, Tokyo

On the occasion of the Japan presidency of the G20, Tokyo Dialogue on Sustainable Finance is a full day conference which aims to provide a platform for a profound discussion among various stakeholders in the region and in the world. Healthy planet is a prerequisite for all sustainable economic and social activities, and climate is a fundamental element, however the foundation is being undermined. On the other hand, it is recognized that the Paris Agreement as well as Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) have become real game changers in the business for the 21st century and bring risks and opportunities in business. This conference is to be held in the lead of private sector with the support by relevant Ministries of Japanese government and other international organisations, and to intend sustainable finance in Japan, in the region and in the world to become in full swing on the occasion of G20 summit.

Date and Time: 3 June 2019, 9:00 -18:00 (Reception starts at 8:30)
Venue: International House of Japan
Capacity: 200 people (invitation only)
Language: English/Japanese (Simultaneous Interpretation)
Organizers: Japan Climate Initiative (JCI), UN Environment Finance Initiative (UNEP FI)
Supporters: Financial Services Agency, Ministries of the Environment, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Sponsors:

(In alphabetical order)
Draft Agenda: Morning Session (9:00-12:30)

Master of Ceremony  Hiroko Kuniya, Board Member, Renewable Energy Institute

9:00 - 9:10  Opening Remarks  
•  Takejiro Sueyoshi, Special Advisor to UNEP FI in the Asia Pacific Region, and Chairperson of the Japan Climate Initiative

9:10 - 9:15  Special video message 1: Mark Carney, Governor of Bank of England

9:15 - 9:30  Speeches of guest of honors: High level government officials from Ministries  
•  Takashi Nagao, Parliamentary Vice-Minister, Financial Services Agency  
•  Takaaki Katsumata, Parliamentary Vice-Minister, Ministry of the Environment  
•  Hideo Suzuki, Ambassador, Assistant Minister for Global Issues/Director-General for Global Issues, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

•  Tetsuo Yamaori, Scholar of Religion

9:50 - 9:55  Special video message 2: Christiana Figueres, Chairperson of Mission 2020

9:55 - 10:10  Commemorative Speech 2:  
•  Masamichi Kono, Deputy Secretary-General, Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

10:10 - 10:25  Networking break

10:25 - 10:30  Special video message 3: Al Gore, Former Vice President of the United States

10:30 - 10:40  Special Guest Speech: Yuriko Koike, Governor of Tokyo Metropolitan Government (TBD)

10:40 - 11:50  High-level Panel Session on “Aligning financial industry with societal needs”  
It is Paris Agreement and SDGs that lead the way for 21st sustainable society. What transformation is needed and viable to make it happen? In this session, distinguished speakers from various sector will share and exchange the high-level perspectives. This session will explore what it means for financial industry to align with Paris Agreement and SDGs.

•  Robert Youngman, Team Leader, Green Finance and Investment, OECD  
•  Stephen Nolan, Managing Director, UN Environment Financial Centres for Sustainability (FC4S)
Paul Dickinson, CDP Executive Chair
Takanobu Suehiro, Head of Corporate Sustainability Dept, Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group and Co-Chair of Principles for Financial Action for the 21st Century
Moderator: Hideki Takada, Secretary General, Green Finance Network Japan / Ministry of Finance, Japan

11:50 - 12:30 High-level Dialogue on “Financial Regulation and Sustainability from Japanese, Chinese and European perspectives”
A strong leadership by financial regulators and policy makers is a key to foster a stronger enabling environment for sustainable finance. Within the context that different jurisdictions have different perspectives and approaches to reach for the same goal, in this session, high level officials who engage in promoting green and sustainable finance policies in different jurisdictions will update the audience about the recent developments and exchange views and ideas through the dialogue, and explore how the international harmonization would be feasible.

- Satoshi Ikeda, Chief Sustainability Officer, Financial Services Agency of Japan
- Wang Qingrong (Dr.), Branch Director of the Policy and Research Bureau, China Banking and Insurance Regulatory Commission
- Eric Usher, Head of UNEP FI

Afternoon session (13:30-18:00)

13:30 - 13:50 Commemorative Speech 3:
- Pavan Sukhdev, TEEB, President of WWF International

13:50 - 15:00 Panel Session 1: “A vision for the three Principles for Sustainable Finance: PRI, PSI and PRB”
When the "Principles for Responsible Banking (PRB)" is officially announced at the UN General Assembly held in New York in September this year, international initiatives for the three types of finance - investment (PRI), insurance (PSI) and banks (PRB) will be in place. Panelists will discuss what collaborations by these three principles would be desired to further accelerate sustainable finance in the world.

- Eric Usher, Head of UNEP FI
- Hiroko Urashima, Sustainability Section, Corporate Planning Department, MS&AD Insurance Group Holdings, Inc.
- Takayuki Tsujii, General Manager, Patagonia Japan
- Minoru Matsubara, Asset Management Department, Resona Bank, and Co-Chair of
Panel Session 2: “Opportunities derived from the implementation of Paris Agreement”
The Paris Agreement does not just give warning to business and finance. It brings new opportunities. Various zero emission initiatives have already started and private sector are engaging in fierce competition for the cutting-edge technologies. How business could follow this trend is crucial to the survival of business. In this session, panelists will discuss from a practical point of view how to capture this new growth opportunity.

- Satoshi Abe, General Manager of Social Environment Department, Sustainability Management Division, Ricoh Corporation
- Kenji Kawado, Representative Director, Shizen Energy Inc.
- Shiho Koshikawa, General Manager, Corporate Social Responsibility Department, Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc.
- Hitoshi Suzuki, Assistant Director, Social Policy Division, Department of Economic and Social Policy, The Japanese Trade Union Confederation
- Remco Fischer, Climate Change Lead, UNEP FI
- Moderator: Masaya Ishida, Manager, Renewable Energy Business Group, Renewable Energy Institute

Panel Session 3: “Positive Impact as a new paradigm for SDG solution”
This session aims to introduce the concept, definition, principles and frameworks of UNEP FI’s Positive Impact initiative, which is a new paradigm for business and finance to contribute to the achievement of SDGs. In this session, speakers will showcase and share their outlook on existing business cases or potential business area based on holistic impact-based approaches in environmental, social and economic dimensions.

- Pierre Rousseau, Senior Strategic Sustainable Business advisor, BNP Paribas Group
- Tsukasa Kanai, Chief Sustainability Officer, Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings
- Hideki Kobayashi, Head of ESG Office, Japan Real Estate Asset Management
- Mari Kojima, Manager CSR group, Corporate Planning Div., FUJIFILM Holdings Corporation
- Moderator: Careen Abb, Positive Impact Lead, UNEP FI

Conference Summary and Closing Remarks
- Takejiro Sueyoshi, Special Advisor to UNEP F, and Chairperson of the Japan Climate Initiative
- Eric Usher, Head of UNEP FI

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