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# Japan SDGs Action Forum

**SDGs sought by the world and SDGs from Japan –SDGs action toward change–**

Tuesday, March 29, 2022, Online

Japan SDGs Action Promotion Council (Chair: KANIE Norichika, Professor of Keio University Graduate School of Media and Governance) will hold “Japan SDGs Action Forum” online on Tuesday, March 29 on the theme **“SDGs sought by the world and SDGs from Japan — SDGs action toward change—”**. Sharing a sense of crisis and specifying what we need to do to achieve SDGs, we will have multi-stakeholder discussions and propose concrete actions we should take, such as **solving social issues at the regional level utilizing SDGs**. Anyone can view the programs. We welcome many viewers and media coverage.

## **[Outline]**

1. Date: Tuesday, March 29, 2022, 9:30 to 17:00 (Japan time)
2. Organizer: Japan SDGs Action Promotion Council
3. Form: Online live distribution (two channels)  
\*[URL for distribution will be informed later on the special website.](#)
4. Language: Japanese (Japanese-English simultaneous interpretation available for channel 1)
5. Application for participation: Apply from the site below

(Viewing is possible event without reservation)

<https://japansdgsactionforum.peatix.com>

## **<Highlights>**

In the “GSDR Session”, the core part of this forum, which is **co-hosted with United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)**, scientists who compiled Global Sustainable Development Report (GSDR) will share the world’s latest information on SDGs discussing what gives impact on the progress in achieving the goals.

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Channel 1 (MC: SAKURADA Ayako, eco announcer)	Channel 2 (MC: MITSUMI, radio DJ)
<p>9:30-10:00 <b>Opening</b></p> <p>◆ <b>Greetings</b> •KANIE Norichika, Chair, Japan SDGs Action Promotion Council/Member of the Independent Group of Scientists (IGS)* (*Scientists appointed by UN Secretary General to prepare Global Sustainable Development Report (GSDR))</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•UNDESA executive (TBD)</li> <li>•KUROIWA Yuji, Governor of Kanagawa Prefecture</li> <li>•NEMOTO Kaoru, Director, United Nations Information Centre</li> </ul>	
<p>10:00-11:00 <b>[GSDR Session co-hosted with UNDESA]</b></p> <p><b>What gives an impact in changing the world to achieve SDGs</b></p> <p>[Keynote speech]—Insights into GSDR2023 interim report—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•UNDESA official (TBD)</li> <li>•KANIE Norichika, Chair, Japan SDGs Action Promotion Council</li> <li>•Member, IGS</li> </ul>	
<p>11:00-12:15 <b>[GSDR Session co-hosted with UNDESA] Present state and future development of SDGs action toward “change” based on global trend including GSDR2023 interim report</b></p> <p>—What will be the key for “change”?—</p> <p>[Panel discussion]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•KANIE Norichika, Chair, Japan SDGs Action Promotion Council/Member, IGS</li> <li>•HASEGAWA Tomoko, Managing director, Japan Business Federation</li> <li>•ARIMA Toshio, Representative director, Global Compact Network Japan</li> <li>•MIWA Atsuko, Co-representative director, Japan Civil Society Network on SDGs</li> <li>•KANAI Tsukasa, Managing organization, Principles for Financial Action for the 21st Century/Fellow director, Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings, Inc.</li> <li>•Member, IGS</li> </ul>	<p>11:00-12:00 [Local Session Part I]</p> <p><b>SDGs action for regional vitalization</b></p> <p>[Case examples]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•SDGs at the regional level from the perspective of a regional economy expert</li> <li>•Organizations that won the regional restoration award and recommending newspaper companies (anomiana, Fukui Shimbun, Fukui Pref.) (dgreen Co., Ltd, Ise Shimbun, Mie Pref.)</li> </ul> <p>*Regional restoration award program is created by 46 local newspaper companies and Kyodo News to give awards to organizations engaged in</p>
<p>12:30-13:30 <b>[GSDR session co-hosted with UNDESA]</b></p> <p><b>Presentations on specific actions for solutions by businesses from global perspective</b></p> <p>[Case examples]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•KANIE Norichika, Chair, Japan SDGs Action Promotion Council</li> <li>•TSURYU Mayumi, Executive director, Seven &amp; i Holdings Co., Ltd.</li> <li>•SAKAI Kayoko, Executive board director, Sampo Japan Insurance Inc.</li> <li>•TAKEDA Tatsuya, Sustainability promotion manager, Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc.</li> <li>•Member, IGS</li> </ul>	<p>12:10-13:40 [Local Session Part II]</p> <p><b>Wider-area local governments×SDGs</b></p> <p><b>SDGs action for solution of social issues at the regional level</b></p> <p>[Case examples]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Kanagawa Pref.: Solving social issues through mutual help utilizing SDGs</li> <li>•Shiga Pref.: SDGs Lake Biwa version Mother Lake Goals (MLGs) program</li> <li>•Tokushima Pref.: 4 steps to expand ethical consumption—from Tokushima to the world</li> <li>•Okinawa Pref.: Solving children's poverty through private and public cooperation</li> </ul>
<p>14:00-15:00 <b>[Youth Co: Lab (by UNDP and Citi Foundation) Session]</b></p> <p><b>Young social entrepreneurs making a change—Raise a voice to create a “society where no one left behind”—</b></p> <p>Japan &amp; India competition prize winners of Youth Co: Lab business contest for young people</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•KURIMOTO Hiroyuki, Representative director &amp; CEO, Liquitous Inc.</li> <li>•YAMAGUCHI Yujin, Representative director, General Incorporated Association Sustainable Game (Second-year student in high school)</li> <li>•Shorya Mittal, CEO, Humans of Safe Space</li> </ul>	<p>14:00-15:00 [Local Session Part III]</p> <p><b>Scheme building for SDGs localization</b></p> <p>[Panel discussion]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•KAWATEI Masahiro, Japan SDGs Action Promotion Council general producer</li> <li>•HASHIDA Yoshinori, Kyodo News editorial office planning member</li> <li>•ONUKI Moeko, SDGs- SWY Co-representative</li> <li>•YAMAMOTO Mayuko, Business leader, Regional Business Planning &amp; Promotion Department, The Bank of Yokohama, Ltd.</li> <li>•Kyodo News secretariat staff</li> </ul>
<p>15:30-16:30</p> <p><b>Conclusion—Think Globally, Act Locally</b></p> <p>[Panel discussion] •KANIE Norichika and other members of the council, etc.</p>	
<p>16:30-17:00 <b>Closing</b></p>	