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“Legal Technical Assistance in the New Era:
Commemorating the 20th Anniversary of ICD”



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and Commercial Law Centre Foundation (ICCLC)



Program

* Honoric titles omitted, Panelists in alphabetical order.

Opening Address 10:30-10:50

Deputy Minister, MOJ
President, RTI, MOJ
Senior Vice President, JICA

TADOKORO Yoshinori
UETOMI Toshinobu
NAKAMURA Toshiyuki

Congratulatory messages 10:50-11:20

Session 1: Keynote Speech 11:20-12:00

Emeritus Professor, Nagoya University

MORISHIMA Akio

Lunch Break 12:00-13:00

Session 2: Activity Reports 13:00-14:30

Deputy Director, ICD, RTI, MOJ
Deputy Director, UNAFEI
Senior Director, Law and Justice Team, Governance Group,
Governance and Peacebuilding Department, JICA
President, ICCLC
Director, Center for Asian Legal Exchange, Nagoya University
Professor, Kobe University Center for Social System Innovation
Attorney, Japan Federation of Bar Associations, Member of
Committee on International Relations, Attorney-at-Law(Research Fellow) of ICD
Director, Law and Institution Studies Group, Inter-disciplinary Studies Center,
Institute of Developing Economies, JETRO

SUDA Hiroshi
IRIE Junko
KOBAYASHI Yosuke

OHNO Kotaro
FUJIMOTO Akira
KANEKO Yuka
ISHISAKI Akito

Break 14:30-14:45

Session 3: Panel Discussion 1 14:45-15:45

Looking back on the history of Legal Technical Assistance in Japan

—Panelists—

Advisor, Ministry of Justice, Kingdom of Cambodia
Deputy Director, ICD, RTI, MOJ
President, Tokyo Bar Association, Vice-President, Japan Federation of
Bar Associations (Ex-chairperson of the Committee of International Relations)
Notary (Advisor of ICCLC, Vice Chairperson of ACPF)

SAKANO Issei
SUDA Hiroshi
YABUKI Kimitoshi
YAMASHITA Terutoshi

—Moderator—

Director, ICD, RTI, MOJ

MORINAGA Taro

Break 15:45-16:00

Session 4: Panel Discussion 2 16:00-17:15

Future perspective of Legal Technical Assistance in Japan

—Panelists—

President, Aichi Public University Corporation,
Emeritus Professor, Nagoya University
Attorney, JICA international cooperation specialist
Director, International Affairs Division, Minister's Secretariat, MOJ
Professor, Keio Law School
Director, ICD, RTI, MOJ

AIKYO Masanori
KOMATSU Kenta
SHIBATA Noriko
MATSUO Hiroshi
MORINAGA Taro

—Moderator—

Professor, ICD, RTI, MOJ

SHOJI Minako

Q & A Session 17:15-17:25

Closing Address 17:25-17:30

President, ICCLC

OHNO Kotaro

Session 1 *Keynote Speech*



Prof. MORISHIMA Akio

Jurist (Civil law · Environmental law). 1958 Faculty of Law, University of Tokyo, LL.B, 1968 Harvard Law School, LL.M. 1971 Professor of Law at Nagoya University. 1988 Dean, Faculty of Law, Nagoya University. 1996 Professor Emeritus, Nagoya University. While teaching at universities in Japan and overseas, Prof. Morishima has served as member of various governmental councils, having paved the way for Japan's legal development support.

Session 3 *Panel Discussion 1*

Looking back on the history of Legal Technical Assistance in Japan

Panelists



Mr. SAKANO Issei

Advisor for MOJ in Cambodia. After working as UNTAC (United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia) election division officer since 1998, Mr. Sakano engaged in drafting support for Cambodia's Civil Code and Civil Procedure Code as JICA long-term expert from 1998. Utilizing proficient Khmer language ability, Mr. Sakano has greatly contributed to legal development in Cambodia and assumed current position in 2018.



Mr. SUDA Hiroshi

Appointed as public prosecutor in 2001. After working at various prosecution offices, Mr. Suda worked as a ICD professor in 2013. Dispatched to the People's Democratic Republic of Laos as JICA long-term expert in 2015. After returning to Japan, he worked in Tokyo prosecution office and assumed current position at ICD in April 2021.



Mr. YABUKI Kimitoshi

Attorney-at-law in Japan and State of New York, contributing to international assistance projects in Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Indonesia, Mongolia, Philippines, etc. Mr. Yabuki assumed various key positions such as Chairperson of the Committee of International Relations of the Japan Federation of Bar Associations (the "JFBA"), leading various international assistance programs initiated by the JFBA. Mr. Yabuki has been in the current positions at the bars since April 2021.



Mr. YAMASHITA Terutoshi

Appointed as public prosecutor in 1984 and worked at various prosecution offices until retirement. Mr. Yamashita contributed to the founding of the ICD and assumed important positions including the director of ICD, director of UNAFEI etc. Currently, he is a notary as well as advisor for ICCLC and Vice Chairperson of ACPF.

Moderator

Mr. MORINAGA Taro

Session 4 *Panel Discussion 2*

Future perspective of Legal Technical Assistance in Japan

Panelists



Prof. AIKYO Masanori

President, Aichi Public University Corporation, Professor Emeritus, Nagoya University. Specializes in Constitutional Law and Asian Law. Director of Center for Asian Legal Exchange, Dean of Graduate School of Law, Vice President, Nagoya University.



Mr. KOMATSU Kenta

Attorney-at-law. After working for a private company and a law firm, Mr. Komatsu has been engaged in legal cooperation project in Myanmar and other countries as JICA's senior advisor since 2013. Long-term expert in Myanmar from 2014 to 2017. In 2019, he was dispatched to Myanmar again.



Ms. SHIBATA Noriko

Appointed as public prosecutor in 1998. Dispatched to the Royal School for Judges and Prosecutors of Cambodia as JICA long-term expert in 2006. After returning to Japan, Ms. Shibata served as Deputy Director of ICD for two years from 2013 and worked as UNODC officer in the Regional Office for Southeast Asia and the Pacific. Assumed current position in July 2019.



Prof. MATSUO Hiroshi

Professor at Keio University, Director, Keio Global Law Institute. Specializes in Civil Law and Law and Development. Visiting professor at University of Sydney, and University of Oxford. Served as secretary of the Legislative Council, member of the Social Infrastructure Development Council, special member of the National Land Council etc. Prof. Matsuo is engaged in research and practice on how legal technical assistance should be in development process based on the history of each country.



Mr. MORINAGA Taro

Appointed as public prosecutor in 1994. While working as ICD professor, Mr. Morinaga was dispatched to MOJ of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam as JICA long-term expert in 2004. After the position of Deputy Director of UNAFEI etc., Mr. Morinaga assumed current position in October 2017.

Moderator

Ms. SHOJI Minako

Appointed as public prosecutor in 2008. After working at various prosecution offices, Ms. Shoji worked as a government attorney of the Rehabilitation Bureau of MOJ and assumed ICD professor in 2020.