



"Japan and the EU in the global economy - challenges and opportunities"

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Programme

Welcome remarks by **Masahiko Yoshii**, Dean of Graduate School of Economics, Kobe University,
Sébastien Lechevalier, Associate Professor at EHESS (Paris), president of Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS
and **Guntram Wolff**, Director, Bruegel.

09:00-10:00

First panel: Trade and financial linkages between Europe and Japan: new evidence and scope for improvement

- **André Sapir**, Senior Fellow, Bruegel; Professor, Free University of Brussels
- **Takuji Kinkyo**, Professor, Graduate School of Economics, Kobe University; Senior Research Fellow, Policy Research Institute, Ministry of Finance, Japan
- Discussant: **Michael G. Plummer**, ENI Professor in International Economics; Faculty and Academic Liaison, SAIS Bologna

10:15-11:15

Second panel: Housing Bubbles, Government Responses and Economic/Corporate Adjustments: can Europe learn from Japan?

- **Tomomi Miyazaki**, Associate Professor, Graduate School of Economics, Kobe University
- **Sébastien Lechevalier**, Associate Professor, EHESS (Paris); President, Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS
- Discussant: **Joachim Fels**, Chief International Economist, Morgan Stanley

11:30-12:30

Third panel: Monetary, fiscal policy and the financial system in Japan and Europe: a comparative perspective

- **Wataru Takahashi**, Professor, Faculty of Economics, Osaka University of Economics; former Director General, Institute for Monetary and Economic Studies of the Bank of Japan
- **Jens Ulbrich**, Head of Economics Department, Bundesbank
- Discussant: **Zsolt Darvas**, Senior Fellow, Bruegel



12:30-13:15 Lunch

13:15-14:00 Keynote speech by Peter Praet, Member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank

14:00-15:00

Fourth Panel: Policy panel: What policy lessons to draw?

- **Kiyohiko Nishimura**, Professor of Economics, Graduate School of Economics, Faculty of Economics at Tokyo University
- **Peter Praet**, Member of the Executive Board, European Central Bank
- **Michael G. Plummer**, ENI Professor in International Economics; Faculty and Academic Liaison, SAIS Bologna
- **Guntram Wolff**, Director, Bruegel

15:00-15:30

Closing remarks by **Hideki Fukuda**, President of Kobe University; **Sébastien Lechevalier**, President, Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS and **Guntram Wolff**, Director, Bruegel