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U.S.-Japan Economic and Security Relations: One Year after Prime Minister Abe’s Historic Visit

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The annual Japan Update Symposium provides an in-depth look at key trends in U.S.-Japan relations and their particular relevance to North Texas business and trade. The 2016 theme, *U.S.-Japan Economic and Security Relations: One Year after Prime Minister Abe’s Historic Visit*, was selected to examine recent developments since April 2015 and key issues on the horizon, such as the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) and new security cooperation efforts.

The Japan-America Society of Dallas/Fort Worth, as the leading non-profit organization promoting U.S.-Japan relations in North Texas, presents high quality and timely discussions on economics, trade, and business. The increasing number of Japanese firms in North Texas underscores the importance of the Japan Update Symposium and other programs offered by JASDFW to promote mutual understanding, friendships, and economic ties.

Today’s program is part of a series presented by Japan-America Societies across the U.S., made possible through the cooperation of the Sasakawa Peace Foundation and the National Association of Japan-America Societies. The series brings new perspectives on contemporary issues to local audiences and fills an important need for information at a time of increased interest in the bilateral relationship between the two countries.
Friday, February 12, 2016

12:00 – 1:30 pm  Luncheon Program - Symphony Ballroom 4-5

U.S.-Japan Relations: Progress, Momentum and Direction

Mistress of Ceremonies

Dr. Anny Wong
Research Fellow, John G. Tower Center for Political Studies, SMU;
Director, Japan-America Society of Dallas/Fort Worth

Welcome

Elaine Browning
President, Japan-America Society of Dallas/Fort Worth

Introductions

Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi
Associate Professor and Director, Sun & Star Program on Japan and East Asia,
Tower Center for Political Studies, SMU

Keynote Remarks

Professor Koji Murata
President of Doshisha University, Kyoto; Ph.D., Political Science

Ambassador Ira Shapiro
President of Ira Shapiro Global Strategies, LLC; former Chief U.S. Negotiator for
Japan and Canada, Office of the United States Trade Representative

Discussion / Q&A

1:30 – 2:00 pm  Break - Move to Symphony Ballroom 1-3

2:00 – 3:30 pm  Panel Session - Symphony Ballroom 1-3

U.S.-Japan Economic and Security Relations in North Texas

Panel Chair

Dr. Anny Wong

Panel Members

Masao Yamagami
Chairman & CEO, Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation Americas, Inc.

Joel Malone
Senior Manager for Japan F-35 Business Development, Lockheed Martin

Bryan Daniel
Executive Director, Economic Development and Tourism Division,
Office of the Governor, State of Texas

Discussion / Q&A
Professor Koji Murata
President of Doshisha University, Kyoto
Ph.D., Political Science

Dr. Koji Murata is president of Doshisha University and professor of political science at the Faculty of Law. Previously he served as dean of the Faculty of Law and the Graduate School of Law. Before joining Doshisha University in 2000, he was associate professor of American Studies at Hiroshima University. He received his Ph.D. in political science at Kobe University, M.Phil. in political science from George Washington University, and B.A. in political science from Doshisha University. Dr. Murata is a leading scholar on U.S.-Japan relations, American foreign policy, and international security relations and author of numerous articles and books, including *Ronald Reagan: How He Became an American Idol* (in Japanese, 2011), *Transfiguration of Contemporary American Foreign Policy: From Reagan and Bush to Obama* (in Japanese, 2009), *The Playback of the 1980s* (in Japanese, 2006), and *American Foreign Policy: Agony and Hope* (in Japanese, 2005).

Ambassador Ira Shapiro
President of Ira Shapiro Global Strategies, LLC
Former Chief Negotiator for Japan and Canada, Office of the United States Trade Representative

Ambassador Shapiro is the president of Ira Shapiro Global Strategies, LLC, as well as a senior advisor with Albright Stonebridge Group’s East Asia practice. He also serves as chairman of the National Association of Japan-America Societies and is the author of *The Last Great Senate: Courage and Statesmanship in Times of Crisis*. Shapiro served as the General Counsel and chief U.S. trade negotiator with Japan and Canada in the office of the U.S. Trade Representative for more than four years, during which he contributed to building and fortifying trade relations between Japan and America; he now has 30 years of experience working with the Japanese government and business community and 40 years as a senior staff member in both government and private law positions. Shapiro graduated magna cum laude with honors in politics from Brandeis University, then went on to earn his M.D. in political science at the University of California at Berkeley, and his J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania.
**Bryan Daniel**  
Executive Director, Economic Development and Tourism Division  
Office of the Governor, State of Texas

Bryan Daniel was appointed to lead the Governor’s Office of Economic Development and Tourism (EDT) in January 2015. The EDT promotes the State of Texas as a leading global business climate and premier travel destination. As executive director, Daniel provides leadership to the Commission for Women; Office of Aerospace, Aviation, and Defense; Texas Military Preparedness Commission; Texas Small Business Advocacy; Texas Workforce Investment Council; Texas Music Office; and the Texas Film Commission. He previously served as the senior administrator for trade and business development at the Texas Department of Agriculture, and as the Texas State director of rural development in President George W. Bush’s administration. Daniel holds a master’s degree in agricultural education and a bachelor’s degree in agricultural communications from Texas Tech.

**Masao Yamagami**  
Chairman and CEO  
Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation Americas, Inc.

Masao Yamagami is executive vice president of Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation and chairman and CEO of Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation Americas, Inc. In this position, he oversees all efforts of Mitsubishi Aircraft in the Americas, including sales and marketing, engineering, and customer support. Since joining the company in 2008, he has been initiating sales promotion of the MRJ (Mitsubishi Regional Jet) worldwide. Mr. Yamagami started his career at Mitsui & Co., Ltd., where he was responsible for various aviation related business including exports, sales, and financing. He was a member of the board of directors at ISTAT (International Society of Transport Aircraft Traders) from 1997 to 2001 and thus far is the only Japanese person to take such an important position in the industry. He holds both bachelor’s and master’s degrees in Mechanical Engineering from Waseda University.
Joel Malone
Senior Manager for Japan F-35 Business Development
Lockheed Martin

Joel Malone leads market development and strategy supporting F-35 sales and future capability improvements for Japan. Previously, he served as senior manager for U.S. Air Force F-35 customer engagement and business development from 2009 to 2013. Malone served more than 26 years in the U.S. Air Force, where he started as a civil engineer but quickly earned his pilot “Silver Wings”. At the time of his retirement from the Air Force in 2008, he was 35th Vice Wing Commander at Misawa Air Base, Japan. He holds a B.S. in building construction from Texas A&M University. A graduate of Squadron Officer’s School, Fighter Weapons School, Air Command and Staff College, and Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Malone has also earned an M.S. in political science from Auburn University and an M.S. in national resource strategy from National Defense University at Ft. McNair.

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Hiroki Takeuchi received his B.A. in economics from Keio University in Japan, his M.A. in Asian studies from University of California at Berkeley, and his Ph.D. in political science from UCLA. His research interests include Chinese and Japanese politics, comparative political economy of authoritarianism, and international relations of East Asia, as well as applying game theory to political science.

Dr. Anny Wong
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Anny Wong joined the Tower Center in January 2013; prior to this, she was a political scientist at the RAND Corporation in Virginia and did policy research for a variety of clients including the U.S. Department of Defense, Japan’s National Institute for Science and Technologies, and other government agencies. She was an East-West Center graduate fellow in Honolulu and obtained her doctoral degree in political science from the University of Hawai‘i at Manoa.
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The Japan-America Society of Dallas/Fort Worth furthers mutual understanding and ongoing engagement between Japanese and Americans. We provide quality programs in arts and culture, education, business, public policy, and international exchange, and create opportunities for friendship and meaningful interaction.

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