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Symposium Agenda

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Greetings

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Opening Remarks

THE HONORABLE AKIRA CHIBA

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Panel Discussion and Q&A

KAORI IIDA (MODERATOR)

Los Angeles Bureau Chief, NHK (Japan Broadcasting Corp.)

LIEUTENANT GENERAL KOICHIRO BANSHO

Commanding General, Japan Ground Self-Defense Force (Ret.)
Senior Advisor to the Marubeni Corporation

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"In Defense of Trade and the US-Japan Alliance"

AMBASSADOR J. THOMAS SCHIEFFER

28th U.S. Ambassador to Japan

Networking Reception

Panel Discussion and Q&A - MODERATOR



Kaori Iida

***Los Angeles Bureau Chief,
NHK (Japan Broadcasting Corp.)***

Ms. Kaori Iida is the Los Angeles bureau chief of NHK (Japan Broadcasting Corporation).

Ms. Iida joined NHK after graduating from Keio University in Tokyo with a major in Political Science. She was assigned to the Economics News Division in 1996 and was the Senior Economics Correspondent in the Washington, D.C. News Bureau from 2004 to 2008.

She was also the anchor for NHK's flagship business news programs, "Biz and Sports", and, "Biz Plus", conducting in-depth interviews with world leaders in business, government and finance from 2010 through 2014.

Until her assignment to Los Angeles, she was senior editor of the Economics News Division.

Panel Discussion



Lieutenant General

Koichiro Bansho

***Commanding General (Ret.),
Japan Ground Self-Defense Force
Senior Advisor,
Marubeni Corporation***

Lieutenant General Koichiro Bansho retired from the Japan Ground Self-Defense Force (JGSDF) in August 2015, after thirty-five years of military service.

LTG Bansho started his career as an infantry officer in 1980 with the Infantry and Ranger specialty after graduating from the National Defense Academy. After completing the Command and General Staff College, in 1989 he was assigned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as a military staff.

As a significant temporary assignment, he was called up as the Chief of the Japan-U.S. Bilateral Coordination Center for “Operation Tomodachi”, the first-ever Japan-U.S. bilateral disaster relief operation after Japan suffered the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami in 2011.

After his mission of G5 and Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief, he was assigned as the Commanding General, 3rd Division. In 2012, he was assigned to the Vice Chief of Staff, JGSDF. Finally, he took command of the Western Army responsible for the defense of South-western region of Japan from 2013 to 2015.

After retiring from JGSDF, he assumed the position of the senior adviser to the Marubeni Corporation in December 2015. In September 2016, he was assigned as a member of the Advisory Board of the National Security Secretariat, Cabinet Secretariat.

Panel Discussion and Q&A



Matthew P. Goodman

*William E. Simon Chair
in Political Economy and
Senior Adviser for Asian Economics,
Center for Strategic & International
Studies*

Mr. Matthew P. Goodman is senior adviser for Asian economics and holds the William E. Simon Chair in Political Economy at CSIS. Before joining CSIS in early 2012, Mr. Goodman was White House coordinator for Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) and the East Asia Summit. He also served as director for international economics on the National Security Council staff, helping the president prepare for G-20 and G-8 summits.

Before joining the Obama administration in 2009, he worked for five years at Albright Stonebridge Group, a global business advisory firm based in Washington, D.C., where he was managing director for Asia. From 2002 to 2004, he served at the White House as director for Asian economic affairs on the National Security Council staff. Prior to that, he spent five years at Goldman, Sachs & Co., heading the investment bank's government affairs operations in Tokyo and London. From 1988 to 1997, he worked as an international economist at the U.S. Treasury Department, including five years as financial attaché at the U.S. embassy in Tokyo. Mr. Goodman holds an M.A. in international relations from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) and a B.S. in economics from the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). He is a life member of the Council on Foreign Relations and serves as chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Japan-America Society of Washington.

Panel Discussion and Q&A



Toshihiro Nakayama, Ph.D.
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Dr. Toshihiro Nakayama is a Professor of American Politics and Foreign Policy at the Faculty of Policy Management at Keio University. He is also an Adjunct Fellow at The Japan Institute of International Affairs.

He was a Special Correspondent for the Washington Post at the Far Eastern Bureau (1993-94), Special Assistant at the Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations in New York (1996-98), Senior Research Fellow at The Japan Institute of International Affairs (2004-06), Associate Professor at Tsuda College (2006-10), and Professor at Aoyama Gakuin University (2010-14). He was also a CNAPS Visiting Fellow at the Brookings Institution (2005-06) and Sir Howard Kippenberger Chair Visiting Professor at the Center for Strategic Studies, Victoria University in Wellington (2017).

Dr. Nakayama received his M.A. (1993) and Ph.D. (2001) from Aoyama Gakuin University. He has written two books and numerous articles on American politics, foreign policy and international relations. He appears regularly on Japanese media.

He writes a monthly column for *Japan News* (English daily of *Yomiuri Shimbun*). In 2014, he was the recipient of Nakasone Yasuhiro Award (Incentive Award).

Dr. Nakayama is also a Visiting Fellow, Waseda University Organization for Japan-US Studies, Scott M. Johnson Fellow, United States-Japan Foundation and Project Member, American Studies Project, Tokyo Foundation.

Keynote Speech

"In Defense of Trade and the US-Japan Alliance"



Ambassador J. Thomas Schieffer

28th U.S. Ambassador to Japan

Ambassador J. Thomas Schieffer served as U.S. ambassador to Japan from 2005-2009. During his tenure in Tokyo, he was involved in negotiating the most far-reaching reorganization of the U.S.-Japan alliance since the 1960 signing of the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security. In 2009, Ambassador Schieffer received the Distinguished Public Service Award, the U.S. Defense Department's highest civilian award, in recognition of his work in strengthening the U.S.-Japan alliance. In 2013 the Emperor of Japan presented Ambassador Schieffer with the Order of the Rising Sun, the highest honor that can be bestowed on a foreigner for his contributions to the US-Japan alliance.

Ambassador Schieffer's diplomatic career began in 2001, when he was appointed U.S. ambassador to Australia. In 2006 the Governor General of Australia presented Ambassador Schieffer with the Order of Australia, the highest award a foreigner can receive, for his work in strengthening the U.S.-Australia alliance. In 2009, he was decorated by five U.S. intelligence agencies and the FBI for his work in Japan and Australia. He was elected to the American Academy of Diplomacy in 2016.

He serves on the Advisory Board of the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation, and he is a member of the Council of Advisors at the United States Studies Centre and a member of the Council of American Ambassadors.

Prior to his diplomatic service, Ambassador Schieffer was an investor in the partnership that bought the Texas Rangers Baseball Club. He served as team president for nine years and in 2014 was elected to the Texas Rangers Baseball Hall of Fame. Ambassador Schieffer also has had a long involvement in Texas politics. He was elected to three terms in the Texas House of Representatives and has been active in many political campaigns. Ambassador Schieffer is the founder and principal of Envoy International LLC, a consulting firm that provides a wide range of services to international companies. He attended the University of Texas, where he earned a BA, an MA, and studied law.

