

The EU and Japan – Really getting things done?

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The EU-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) and the EU-Japan Strategic Partnership Agreement (SPA) were concluded in 2018 and have now entered the implementation phase. What kind of concrete steps have the EU (and its member states) and Japan taken to strengthen cooperation, coordination and synergies in view of both agreements' ambitious agenda?

This 1-day conference accompanied by a public forum/panel addresses these question and pinpoints common areas of interest where EU and Japan cooperation could make a difference. The conference, thus, will besides assessing progress, analyse likely areas for cooperation. The purpose of the conference is to move the process and come up with suggestions for the next steps to take.

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08:30	Registration of participants
09:00	Opening and Keynote
	CHAIR: Rabea Brauer, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS)
	Welcome remark Marie Söderberg, European Japan Advanced Research Network (EJARN)
	Keynote Speech Francesco Fini, The European Union Delegation to Japan
	Q & A Session
Panel 1: The EU-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA)–State of Play, Problems and Progress	
09:35	CHAIR: Toshiro Tanaka, Keio University
	Speakers: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Marjut Hannonen, EU Delegation to Japan2. Kyoichiro Kawakami, Ministry of Foreign Affairs3. Yorizumi Watanabe, Keio University4. Martin Schulz, Fujitsu Research Institute Q & A and plenary debate
	Coffee Break
Panel 2: The EU-Japan Strategic Partnership Agreement (SPA) in the regional and global context – Results, Perceptions and Prospects	
11:30	CHAIR: Ian Neary, Oxford University
	Speakers: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Yoshihide Soeya, Keio University2. Robert Dujarric, Tempel University3. Chiyuki Aoi, University of Tokyo4. Axel Berkofsky, University of Pavia Q & A and plenary debate

13:00	Lunch Buffett for all
Panel 3: Forging synergies to address economic challenges: energy, connectivity and export controls	
14:00	CHAIR: Yuichi Hosoya, Keio University
	Speakers: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hiroshi Ohta, Waseda University 2. Paul Midford, NTNU 3. Maaike Okano-Heijmans Q & A and plenary debate
Panel 4: EU-Japan cooperation in the field of development	
15:30	CHAIR: Rabea Brauer, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS)
	Speakers: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Izumi Ohno, JICA Research Institute 2. Marie Söderberg, European Institute of Japanese Studies 3. Aiichiro Yamamoto, Independent consult EU-Japan SPA Support Facility Q & A and plenary debate
16:30	Coffee Break
PUBLIC FORUM/PANEL: Japan and EU cooperation in Foreign and Security Policies: Proposals for concrete actions	
16:45	CHAIR: Maaike Okano-Heijmans
	Speakers: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Roland Honekamp, EU political section in Tokyo 2. Michito Tsuruoka, Keio University 3. Shogo Yoshitake, Ministry of Foreign Affairs 4. Paul Midford, NTNU Q & A and plenary debate
18:15 – 20:00	Networking Reception – Dinner Buffett for all

