



European Economic and Social Committee



JOINT SEMINAR WITH THE EU-KANSAI INSTITUTE

EU-JAPAN COOPERATION IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE:
TRADE & MIGRATION POLICIES

9 March 2016

EESC – Meeting room JDE 63 – rue Belliard/Belliardstraat 99

DRAFT PROGRAMME

9.00–9.30

Registration

9.30–10.00

Opening Session

Chair: Mr Krzysztof Pater, President of the EU-Japan Follow-up Committee, EESC

- **Mr Gonçalo Lobo Xavier**, Vice-President of the EESC
- **Mr Keiichi Katakami**, Ambassador of Japan to the European Union
- **Professor Noriyuki Inoue**, President of the EUJ-Kansai

Questions and answers

10.00–11.15

Session 1: How will the TPP agreement and the TTIP negotiations influence the EU-Japan FTA/EPA?

Chair: Ms Eve Päärendson, Member of the EU-Japan Follow-up Committee, EESC

Speakers:

- **Professor Masahiko Yoshii**, Vice President of the EUJ-Kansai
- **Mr Hosuk Lee-Makiyama**, Director of European Centre for International Political Economy (ECIPE) (*tbc*)
- **Ms Iana Dreyer**, founder and editor-in-chief of Borderlex.eu

Commentators:

- **Mr Tsutomu Koizumi**, Mission of Japan to the European Union, Minister, Economic Department (*tbc*)
- **Mr Philippe Duponteil**, Head of Unit C1, Far East, DG TRADE

Discussion

11.15–11.30

Coffee break

11.30–12.45

Session 2: Differences and similarities in both countries' approaches to Asylum and Migration policies

Chair: Ms Laure Batut, Member of the EU-Japan Follow-up Committee, EESC

Speakers:

- **Mr Eugenio Ambrosi**, Regional Director, International Organisation for Migration Regional office for the European Economic Area, the EU and NATO (*tbc*)
- **Professor Noriyuki Inoue**, President of the EUJ-Kansai

Commentators:

- **Mr Cristian Pirvulescu**, President of the Permanent Study Group on Immigration & Integration, EESC
- **Ms Cindy Munro**, Councillor (Immigration), Mission of Canada to the EU

Discussion

12.45–13.00

Concluding remarks

- **Professor Masahiko Yoshii**, Vice President of the EUJ-Kansai
- **Mr Krzysztof Pater**, President of the EU-Japan Follow-up Committee, EESC

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