

## The global financial crisis and its impact on Africa: the role of Japan and TICAD

*(Tentative programme as of 21 May 2009)*

Monday, 25 May 2009, 10.30 ~ 13.00 hours --- U Thant Hall, United Nations University Headquarters, Tokyo, Japan

Co-Organizers: United Nations University and African Diplomatic Corps --- Supported by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

*Master of Ceremonies: Srikantha Herath, Senior Academic Programme Officer, United Nations University Institute for Sustainability and Peace (UNU-ISP)*

10.30~ 10.50 Opening Ceremony:

- The song "Peace to Peace" by members of the Japanese NGO Asia Human Support
- Konrad Osterwalder, Rector, UNU
- Jean Christian Obame, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Gabonese Republic, Dean of the African Diplomatic Corps (ADC)
- Nobuhide Minorikawa, Parliamentary Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs, Japan

10.50 ~ 11.10 Session I: Presentation by Keynote Speakers

- Yoshiro Mori, Former Prime Minister of Japan, Member of the House of Representatives and President of the Japan-African Union Parliamentary Friendship Association
- Elisabeth Tankeu, Commissioner for Trade and Industry, Africa Union

11.10 ~ 11.30 Coffee Break

11.30 ~ 12.55 Session II: Panel Discussion

Chair: Obijiofor Aginam, Academic Programme Officer, UNU-ISP

Panellists:

- Eiji Hashimoto, Vice-President, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
- Nobuyoshi Chihara, Deputy Director-General, Middle Eastern and Africa Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan
- Kazushige Taniguchi, Special Representative, the World Bank Tokyo Office
- Takeshi Sagawa, General Manager, Sub-Saharan Africa, Global Planning Division, The Bank of Tokyo Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd.
- June Kunugi, Director, United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), Tokyo
- Drine Imed, Research Fellow, UNU World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER)

12.55 ~ 13.00

- Concluding Remarks by Noureddine Hached, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Republic of Tunisia and Chairperson of the 2009 Africa Day Symposium

-----Symposium Ends at 13.00