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## Applications Invited for 2008 Kobe-Awaji Session of UNU Global Seminars

**Event:** UNU Global Seminar – 14th Kobe-Awaji Session  
**Theme:** “New Challenges for the UN: Strategy, Theories and Perspectives from the Field”  
**Date:** 16–19 September 2008 (Tuesday–Friday)  
**Venue:** JICA Hyogo (Kobe), Sanyo Training Center (Kobe) and Awaji Yumebutai International Conference Center  
**Organizers:** United Nations University (UNU), Hyogo International Association, and Kobe International Center for Cooperation and Communication

### Event Information:

- UNU Global Seminars are designed to enhance awareness among university students and young professionals about issues of global concern. In 2008, a series of seven sessions will be held in locations throughout Japan.
- Participants in the 2008 UNU Global Seminar – Kobe-Awaji Session will explore current and emerging global challenges for the United Nations in such areas as peace, human security, development and environment.
- The Kobe-Awaji Session will open on Tuesday afternoon (16 September) with keynote lectures by Dan Rohrmann, Director of the UNICEF Tokyo Office, and Kenzo Oshima, Senior Vice President of the Japan International Cooperation Agency and former Ambassador of Japan to the United Nations.
- Media representatives are cordially invited to attend the keynote lectures, to be held at JICA Hyogo. Simultaneous Japanese-English interpretation will be provided.

For more information, contact Naoko Yano, UNU Office of Communications (tel.: 03-5467-1311; e-mail: [media@unu.edu](mailto:media@unu.edu)).

### Information for Applicants:

- Applications are now being accepted for the 14th UNU Global Seminar Kobe-Awaji Session. The session is open to students enrolled in a Japanese university (undergraduate or graduate level) and young professionals residing in Japan.
- Participants are required to understand both English and Japanese, as lectures may be delivered in either language without interpretation.
- The deadline for applications is Friday, 27 June 2008.
- Approximately 50 applicants will be selected to participate. A participation fee of JPY30,000 covers meals, accommodation and seminar documentation. Foreign students who do not receive a full scholarship for their studies in Japan may apply for a waiver of up to 50 per cent of the participation fee.
- The seminar will open with keynote lectures (see above) on 16 September. On 17 and 18 September, seminar participants will attend lecture/discussion sessions on “Perspectives from the Field” and “Linking Strategy, Theory and the Field”. The seminar will conclude on Friday, 19 September, with group presentations, a closing ceremony and a farewell lunch.
- For more information and an application form, go to <http://www.unu.edu/gs/> or contact the UNU Global Seminar Secretariat at the Kobe International Center for Cooperation and Communication (tel.: 078-291-8415; fax: 078-291-0691; e-mail: [kic\\_jigy2@kicc.jp](mailto:kic_jigy2@kicc.jp)).

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