



U.S.-Japan Council Inaugural Annual Conference 2010:
SHAPING THE FUTURE OF U.S.-JAPAN RELATIONS

Sunday, September 19th – Monday, September 20th, 2010
Washington, DC



A close-up photograph of a branch with several pink cherry blossoms. The flowers are in various stages of bloom, with some showing prominent yellow stamens. The background is dark and out of focus, showing more blossoms and leaves.

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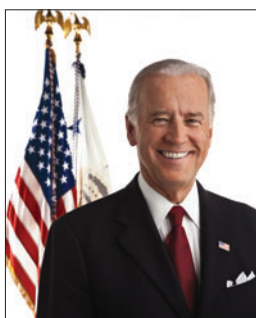
in its efforts to promote
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U.S.-Japan Council Keynote Speaker 2010 Vice President Joe Biden



Joseph Biden, Jr., is the current Vice President of the United States. He graduated from the University of Delaware and Syracuse Law School and served on the New Castle County Council. Then, at age 29, he became one of the youngest people ever elected to the United States Senate.

As a Senator from Delaware for 36 years, Senator Biden established himself as leader on some of our nation's most important domestic and international challenges. As Chairman or Ranking Member of the Senate Judiciary Committee for 17 years, then-Senator Biden was widely recognized for his work on criminal justice issues including the landmark 1994 Crime Bill and the Violence Against Women Act. As Chairman or Ranking Member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee since 1997, then-Senator Biden played a pivotal role in shaping U.S. foreign policy. He has been at the forefront of issues and legislation related to terrorism, weapons of mass destruction, post-Cold War Europe, the Middle East, and Southwest Asia.

Now, as the 47th Vice President of the United States, Joe Biden has continued his leadership on important issues facing the nation. The Vice President has been tasked with implementing the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, helping to rebuild our economy and lay the foundation for a sustainable economic future. He is also the chair of the administration's Middle Class Task Force, a major White House initiative targeted at raising the living standards of middle class families in America. In addition, he is providing sustained, high level focus for the administration on Iraq policy and has traveled to the country multiple times since being elected as Vice President. Vice President Biden continues to draw on his vast foreign policy experience, advising the President on a multitude of international issues and representing our country to many regions of the world, including travel to Germany, Belgium, Chile, Costa Rica, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Kosovo, Lebanon, Georgia, Ukraine, Iraq, Poland, Romania, the Czech Republic, Israel, the Palestinian Territories, Jordan, Spain, Egypt, Kenya and South Africa.



Ms. Irene Hirano Inouye, Secretary Norman Mineta,
Mr. Fred Katayama and Vice President Joe Biden

"All has changed in the last 15 years, circumstances have changed and it requires new thinking. I can think of no better group of folks to sit down and think together through these changes than with our Japanese colleagues."

- Vice President Joe Biden at the U.S.-Japan Council Inaugural Annual Conference, September 20th, 2010.

The U.S.-Japan Council Inaugural Annual Conference came to a close with a reception on Capitol Hill. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Ambassador John Roos, Ambassador Ichiro Fujisaki, former Ambassador Thomas Schieffer and Ms. Irene Hirano Inouye made closing remarks.



"This Council is a manifestation of the importance of the relationship between our two countries and our great friendship. In our country, we have been blessed with a great Japanese American population."

- House Speaker
Nancy Pelosi

Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Ambassador John Roos, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Ambassador Ichiro Fujisaki and USJC President Ms. Irene Hirano Inouye

"The U.S.-Japan Council has a window of opportunity and perhaps even a necessity right now to begin a broad discussion about the future of U.S.-Japan Relations to involve business leaders, academicians, think tankers and leaders of civil society."

- Secretary Norman
Mineta, USJC Board
of Councilors



U.S.-Japan Council Board of Councilors & Board of Directors at the Annual Members Meeting on September 19th, 2010.

04 WELCOME

We are pleased to welcome you to the Inaugural U.S.-Japan Council Annual Conference. The Conference brings together Japanese American leaders with leading experts from the United States and Japan who are committed to strengthening and deepening the relationship between our two countries.



Eighteen months ago, the U.S.-Japan Council opened its offices in Washington, D.C. and Los Angeles. We have enlisted a committed group of Board of Directors, Board of Councilors, a small staff, and an impressive group of Council members who have made the Council a reality. During this time, we have seen challenges as well as new opportunities within the U.S.-Japan relationship. The Conference will enable our members and Conference participants to explore several of these issues and will result in Action Plans to ensure our dialogue begins to build a strong foundation for future work by the Council and its members.

Our vision is to ensure a vibrant Asia Pacific region through engaged and interconnected individuals and communities committed to a strong U.S.-Japan relationship. As new leaders have emerged in the U.S., Japan and throughout Asia, we recognize that, now more than ever, we need to build strong people-to-people relationships within the U.S. and between countries.



Our sincere appreciation goes to the Board members, Council members and Staff who worked hard to organize the 2010 Annual Conference. We are proud to have outstanding Speakers, Panelists, Moderators and Emcees and we thank them for sharing their time and expertise. We extend special thanks to our Washington, D.C. staff of Saki Takasu, Emi Swaim, and Laura Goldstein and the Program Development Committee of Glen Fukushima, Fred Katayama, and Moni Miyashita, without whom this event would not have been possible.

We are grateful to the generous sponsors of this Inaugural Conference. Their participation in the Conference reflects their partnership with the Council and our members and we look forward to working with them in the future. Special thanks to Dr. Paul Terasaki and the Terasaki Foundation. Their early and generous involvement and support of the USJC enabled the Council to achieve many important milestones.

We look forward to an exciting exchange of information and ideas and to the Action Plans that will result from this Inaugural Conference.

THOMAS IINO
Chairman, Board of Directors

IRENE HIRANO INOUE
President

05 A LETTER FROM AMBASSADOR ROOS



AMBASSADOR OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
TOKYO

U.S.-Japan Council Annual Conference
September 19-20, 2010
“Shaping the Future of U.S.-Japan Relations”



Congratulations to all of you attending the Inaugural U.S.-Japan Council (USJC) Annual Conference. I applaud your commitment to strengthening U.S.-Japan relations. Your promotion of people-to-people connections is critical to strengthening this important bilateral relationship, and the steps you take today will ensure that the ties between Japan and the United States remain vibrant for years to come.

Maintaining a meaningful bilateral relationship requires vision and dedication from governments and citizens on both sides of the Pacific. The USJC Board of Councilors and Board of Directors represents an impressive roster of government, private sector, and NPO leaders who are all committed to maintaining the U.S.-Japan relationship, and we at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo appreciate the tremendous support the USJC's activities and initiatives add to our efforts to foster strong ties between our countries.

The key topics of the USJC “Shaping the Future of U.S.-Japan Relations” conference are remarkably similar to our U.S. Mission goals in Japan. The U.S. Embassy in Tokyo as well as our constituent posts in Sapporo, Nagoya, Kansai, Fukuoka, and Naha are all committed to furthering green and renewable energy initiatives, increasing public outreach, fostering innovation and entrepreneurship, promoting study in the United States, and addressing the role of women in the workplace.

Congratulations on reaching this new milestone with your inaugural conference, and we look forward to seeing the success of your initiatives and the new activities you inspire in the decades ahead.


John V. Roos
Ambassador

06 A LETTER FROM AMBASSADOR FUJISAKI



EMBASSY OF JAPAN
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Congratulations!



Since I began my post as Ambassador in June of 2008, I have had many opportunities to interact with the Nikkei community. Through my many experiences, I have learned of the trials and tribulations that Japanese-Americans have surpassed in order to be where they are today. We in Japan are all very proud of their accomplishments.

The activities of the Nikkei community have been a great asset to U.S.-Japan relations. Today, members of this community continue to act as bridges between Japan and the United States. The founding of the U.S.-Japan Council is so timely. As this year is the 150th anniversary of the first diplomatic mission from Japan to the United States and is the 50th anniversary of the signing of the U.S.-Japan Security Treaty. It happens that 2012 will mark the centennial of the first cherry blossom tree planting in Washington, D.C. We have begun efforts to work together to commemorate this symbol of everlasting friendship. I look forward to the cooperation of the Nikkei community in this endeavor.

I look forward to meeting with many Nikkei friends in the Council meeting.

A handwritten signature in Japanese calligraphy, reading 'Fujisaki Ichiro'.

Ichiro Fujisaki

Ambassador of Japan

07 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Sunday, September 19th, 2010

USJC SESSION 1

Emcee: [Robert Ichikawa](#), Managing Partner, Kobayashi, Sugita & Goda

10:00 – 10:20am

Opening Remarks & USJC Overview

[Thomas Iino](#), Chairman, Board of Directors, U.S.-Japan Council

[Masaru Sakato](#), Acting Executive Director, Japan Foundation CGP

[Irene Hirano Inouye](#), President, USJC

10:20 – 11:45am

Overview of Current U.S.-Japan Issues

Moderator: [Glen Fukushima](#), Chairman & Director, Airbus Japan K.K.

Speakers: [Dr. Sheila Smith](#), Senior Fellow for Japan Studies, Council for Foreign Relations

[Professor Daniel Okimoto](#), Professor Emeritus, Stanford University

[His Excellency Ambassador Ichiro Fujisaki](#), Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary of Japan to the United States of America

12:00 – 1:45pm

Lunch

Members & Invited Guests: Lunch

Informal Networking

Joint Board of Councilors and Directors Meeting & Luncheon

Moderator: [Thomas Iino](#)

USJC SESSION 2

Emcee: [Frank Buckley](#), Co-Anchor, KTLA Morning News

2:00 – 2:45pm

Transportation/High-Speed Rail

Moderator: [Mr. Hideki Hamamoto](#), President, HHTransPac Corp.

Speakers: [Mr. Randell Iwasaki](#), Executive Director, Contra Costa Transportation Authority

[Mr. Torkel Patterson](#), President, U.S.-Japan MAGLEV

2:45 – 3:30pm

Education: Study Abroad and Language

Moderator: [Mr. Paul Niwa](#), Associate Professor, Department of Journalism, Emerson College

Speakers: [Professor Naoyuki Agawa](#), Vice President, International Collaborations, Keio University

[Mr. David Jänes](#), Director of Foundation Grants, United States-Japan Foundation

[Ms. Jeanette Takamura](#), Dean of School of Social Work, Columbia University

USJC SESSION 3

Emcee: [Henry Ota](#), Counsel, Reed Smith LLP

3:50 – 4:30pm

USJC Vision and Impact

Moderator: [Fred Katayama](#)

Speakers: [Senator Daniel K. Inouye](#)

[Ambassador Ryoza Kato](#)

4:30 – 5:45pm

Leadership Roundtable Discussions

Board of Councilors, Board of Directors and Members

5:45 – 7:00pm

Cocktail Reception & Networking

7:30pm – evening

No-Host Dinner at Meiwah Restaurant

Chevy Chase, MD

08 MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Monday, September 20th, 2010

9:00 – 10:15am

OPENING PLENARY SESSION & KEYNOTE SPEAKERS [INDEPENDENCE F, G, H, I]

Emcee: Fred Katayama, USJC Board of Directors

U.S.-Japan Council Welcoming Remarks

Thomas Iino, Chairman, USJC

Remarks

The Honorable Norman Y. Mineta, Vice Chairman, Hill & Knowlton, Inc., and Former U.S. Secretary of Transportation, Former U.S. Secretary of Transportation and Commerce

Introduction of Keynote Speaker

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye, U.S. Senate

Keynote Speaker

Vice President Joe Biden, Vice President of the United States of America

Remarks

His Excellency Ambassador Ichiro Fujisaki, Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary of Japan to the United States of America

His Excellency Ambassador John Roos, Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary of the United States to Japan

U.S.-Japan Council Annual Conference Introduction and Opening Session Conclusion

Irene Hirano Inouye, U.S.-Japan Council President

10:30AM – 12:00PM

PANEL SESSION 1

Session 1: Clean & Green Technology

Moderator: Maurice Kaya, Consultant and Project Director, Pacific International Center for High Technology Research

Panelists: Guido Bartels, General Manager Global Energy & Utilities Industry, IBM and Chairman, GridWise Alliance
Osamu Onodera, Director General, General Affairs and Policy Planning Department, New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization
Bill Parks, Senior Technical Advisor, OE, U.S. Department of Energy

Session 2: People-to-People Organizations & Community Engagement

Moderator: Glen Fukushima, Chairman & Director, Airbus Japan

Panelists: Robert Asher, Chairman Emeritus, AIPAC, American Israeli Public Affairs Committee
Karen Donfried, Executive Vice-President, German Marshall Fund

12:00pm – 1:45pm

LUNCHEON

U.S.-Japan-China: Impact of Triangular Relationships

Emcee: Fred Katayama, Anchor, Reuters Television

Introductions: Senator Daniel K. Inouye, U.S. Senator (HI)

Panelists: James Jaska, Executive Vice President, Government, AECOM
The Honorable Ryoza Kato, Former Ambassador of Japan to the U.S.
Savio Tung, Managing Director, Investcorp and CFO, Committee of 100

2:00 – 3:30pm

PANEL SESSION 2**Session 3: Entrepreneurship & Innovation**

Co-presented with GOLD (Global Organization for Leadership and Diversity)

Moderator: **Dan Okimoto**, Professor Emeritus, Stanford University

Panelists: **Emiko Higashi**, Managing Director, Tomon Partners, LLC
Darren Kimura, President, Founder & CEO, Sopogy
Wallace Tsuha, Chairman & CEO, Saturn Electronics & Engineering, Inc.

Session 4: Women in the Workplace & LeadershipModerator: **Jan Yanehiro**, President, Jan Yanehiro, Inc.

Panelists: **Barbara Adachi**, National Managing Principal, Initiative for the Retention & Advancement of Women, Deloitte LLP
Royanne Doi, Chief Legal Officer, The Prudential Life Insurance Company, Ltd.
Irene Natividad, President, Global Summit of Women

3:45 – 5:00pm

STRATEGIC WORKING GROUPS

Co-Leaders will facilitate discussions with the USJC Members and invited guests on the role of USJC in these topic areas and recommended action of the USJC in the months ahead. All groups will report back to the entire group at 4:30pm.

Clean & Green Technology

Maurice Kaya, (PICHR), Moni Miyashita, (IBM), Dennis Teranishi, (PICHR)

People-to-People Organizations

Allen Okamoto, (T. Okamoto & Co.), Susan Onuma, (Kelley Drye & Warren, LLP)

Women in the Workplace & Leadership

Tracey Doi, (Toyota), Hiroko Tatebe, (GOLD), Jan Yanehiro, (Jan Yanehiro, Inc.)

Transportation/High-Speed Rail

Hideki Hamamoto, (HHTranspac), Randell Iwasaki, (Contra Costa Transportation Authority)

Education: Study Abroad & Language

Paul Niwa, (Emerson College), Dean Jeanette Takamura, (Columbia University)

**Transportation for those who are not involved in the strategic working groups will be available at 4:45pm.*

5:30 – 7:00pm

RECEPTION & CONFERENCE CLOSING ON CAPITOL HILL

Dirksen Senate Building SD-G50

Welcome

Thomas Iino, Chairman, Board of Directors, U.S.-Japan Council

Emcees: **Frank Buckley**, Co-Author, KTLA-TV and Council Member
Jan Yanehiro, President, Jan Yanehiro, Inc. and Council Member

Speakers: **The Honorable Thomas Foley**
His Excellency Ambassador Ichiro Fujisaki
The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
His Excellency Ambassador John Roos
The Honorable John Thomas Schieffer

Closing

Irene Hirano Inouye, President, USJC

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PANEL DESCRIPTIONS

The following topics will be discussed during the USJC Annual Conference panel discussions for the purpose of educating and initiating thought-provoking dialogues about issues that are critical to current and future U.S.–Japan relations.

Clean & Green Technology

Damaging oil spills, changing climate and unpredictable energy costs preoccupy media attention today. At the same time, the U.S. and Japan are both technological leaders in clean & green technology, such as renewable resources, smart grid, and ecological construction and design. Government policies, coupled with strategic private investment, are transforming energy markets worldwide. This session will explore the noteworthy programs of both countries and the synergies that are possible. What is the state of collaboration by the two countries? The panel will present projects and opportunities that highlight the competitive advantage of each nation and discuss areas of cooperation for global leadership in clean & green technology.

Entrepreneurship & Innovation

Over the past 25 years, the U.S., particularly the Silicon Valley, has been the cradle of global innovation and entrepreneurship. The U.S. has given birth to seminal breakthroughs in basic research (integrated circuit and recombinant DNA), applied technologies (semiconductors and the internet), path-breaking companies (Intel, Microsoft, and Google), and whole new industries and sectors (wireless telecommunications, biotechnology, and clean technology). What accounts for America's entrepreneurial dynamism? While Japan has elevated the level

and quality of production technology and the assembly process, it has not had the same impact as the U.S. on the creation of vibrant new start-ups and the emergence of whole new industries and sectors. Why? What lies ahead for the two post-industrial giants? Are the two countries poised to achieve major breakthroughs in the promising new sectors of clean technology and health care? The panel discusses the current initiatives and potential of collaboration between the two countries.

Education: Study Abroad & Language

Over the past 10 years, there has been more than a 35% decline in the number of Japanese students studying in the United States. Students from China, India and South Korea exceed the number of students from Japan, which in 2009, was less than 29,000. In contrast, the number of American students studying in Japan has increased from approximately 2,000 in 1996 to 5,700 in 2008 – an upward trend but still far less than those coming to the United States. The conference will explore how to address these trends and how to increase the interest and number of Japanese and American students studying in the U.S. and Japan. This group will also focus on the important issue of Japanese language education in the United States and English education in Japan.

People-to-People Organizations & Community Engagement

People-to-people organizations bring together extraordinary individuals to achieve an organizational mission through mutual understanding, education and personal relationships. A panel of experts from various organizations and communities will discuss how they are building international relationships by engaging individuals in meaningful ways through creating strong networks that are contributing to global change. The group will also discuss the National 2012 Centennial Anniversary of the planting of the cherry blossom in Washington, DC, which will be commemorated by nation-wide planting of cherry trees and connecting of regional Cherry Blossom Festivals.

Transportation/High Speed Rail

President Obama initiated a High Speed Rail (HSR) initiative in early 2010, awarding \$8 billion to states across the U.S. to develop America's first nationwide program of high-speed intercity passenger rail service.

There have been intensive pursuits of the potential business from Japan, Canada, France, Germany and others. Several key USJC members have been involved in communicating and supporting a successful U.S.-Japan collaboration in rail transport. These members will present their current activities and recommendations, and a consultant who is directly involved with the High Speed Rail initiative will provide views on current strategies and issues.

Women in the Workplace & Leadership

The U.S. and Japan face different challenges in diversifying their workforce and diversifying senior levels of management, including the board room. Given the workforce trend, 21st Century leaders must focus on talent management to be competitive and deliver positive bottom-line results. Focusing on women in the workplace, a panel of top Japanese and American women executives will discuss opportunities and challenges for the future, especially in senior management and board leadership positions.

12 BIOGRAPHIES



Barbara Adachi

**Principal, Deloitte Consulting LLP
National Managing Principal, Initiative for the Retention and
Advancement of Women, Deloitte LLP**

Ms. Adachi is the National Managing Principal for Deloitte LLP's award-winning Women's Initiative (WIN). In this role, she focuses on driving marketplace growth and creating a favorable market culture for men and women. Ms. Adachi is also the national Chief Talent Officer for Human Capital Consulting. Prior to this, she led Deloitte Consulting LLP's Human Capital Practice in the West region for 8 years with responsibility for the region's financial performance, operations, talent, and client service delivery. Ms. Adachi actively serves clients and is the Lead Client Services Partner for the University of California system. In

addition, Ms. Adachi serves on the board of Deloitte Consulting LLP. She has been named one of the "100 Most Influential Women in Business" by San Francisco Business Times from 2003 through 2010 and one of the "Women Worth Watching in 2009" by Profiles in Diversity Magazine. Ms. Adachi serves on the boards of Girl Scouts of the USA, American Heart Association, Forbes Executive Women, Professional Business Women of California Advisory Council, Santa Clara University HR Leadership Advisory Board and Blue Cross of California Consumer Relations Committee.



Naoyuki Agawa

Vice President, International Collaborations, Keio University

Professor Agawa is the Vice President in charge of international affairs at Keio University in Tokyo, Japan. He previously served as Dean of Faculty of Policy Management at the university from June 2007 to June 2009. Earlier in his career, Mr. Agawa worked on international trade and copyright law for Sony Corporation in Tokyo and from 1987 to 1995 Mr. Agawa worked for the law firm Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher in both Washington, D.C. and Tokyo. Mr. Agawa joined Keio University as professor at its SFC campus in 1999. In 2002, he was appointed Minister for Public Affairs at the Embassy of Japan in Wash-

ington, D.C. and served there until he returned to Keio in April 2005. Mr. Agawa has taught at the University of Virginia School of Law, Georgetown University Law Center, Elon University School of Law, Doshisha University and Tokyo University. Mr. Agawa received the Yomiuri-Yoshino Sakuzo Award in 2005 and is a frequent contributor to Japanese publications. Mr. Agawa graduated from the School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, with magna cum laude in 1977 after transferring from Keio University in 1975. He later he received his law degree from the Georgetown University Law Center.



Robert Asher

**Chairman Emeritus, AIPAC, American Israeli Public Affairs Committee
Chairman, ICEE, Israel Center for Excellence through Education**

Mr. Asher is Chairman of Israel Center for Excellence through Education (ICEE) in Israel and the United States. ICEE is the parent organization of the Israel Arts and Sciences Academy, a national, residential high school in Jerusalem that was founded by Mr. Asher in 1990. Previously, Mr. Asher served as a president of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) from 1984 – 1988 and is currently a Chairman Emeritus. He was also the Chairman of the American Committee for the Weizmann Institute, the United States support organization for the Weizmann Institute in Rehovot, Israel. He is a Member Emeritus

of the Executive Committee of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, a think tank that studies and analyzes Middle East issues. Mr. Asher's community involvement includes being immediate past President of the Feinberg Graduate School and a member of the International Board of Governors of the Weizmann Institute, where he received an honorary doctorate degree. Additionally, he served the maximum term on the board of the Jewish Federation of Chicago and was Chairman of the Chicago Federation Jewish Community Relations Council.

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Guido Bartels

**General Manager Global Energy & Utilities Industry, IBM
Chairman, GridWise Alliance**

Mr. Bartels heads up IBM's energy and utilities business and leads IBM's corporate Intelligent Utility Network initiative, IBM's portfolio of solutions for the Smart Grid. He is also Chairman of the GridWise Alliance, a leading advocacy group that supports a national imperative for modernizing the United States electric system. Under his leadership, the Alliance has grown its membership and set up similar organizations overseas. Mr. Bartels is a member of the US Depart-

ment of Energy's Electricity Advisory Committee (EAC), serves as vice-chair of the New York State Smart Grid Consortium, and recently joined the Board of Directors of Evergreen Energy Inc. Earth2Tech ranked Mr. Bartels on its 2009 "Top 15 Smart Grid Influencers" list and Greentech Media included him on "The Networked Grid 100 list," naming him among the top "Movers and Shakers" of the Smart Grid. Mr. Bartels earned an MBA from the University of Amsterdam.



Frank Buckley

Co-Author, KTLA Morning News

Mr. Buckley is co-anchor of KTLA's signature KTLA Morning News on Channel 5 in Los Angeles. Previously, he was a CNN national correspondent. His international assignments have taken him around the world and across the U.S. and have included stories from Kobe, Hong Kong, Turkey, Ireland and Iran, as well as the Persian Gulf and Arabian Sea where he reported live from aircraft carriers. He has also reported from the White House and the Pentagon.

Mr. Buckley has covered the Kerry-Edwards campaign, the Hillary Clinton Senate run and the 2000 presidential race and its aftermath. He is the recipient of numerous awards including multiple Emmy awards and currently serves on the board of the Japanese American Cultural Community Center and the Los Angeles chapter of the Asian American Journalists Association. He is a graduate of USC with a double major in history and broadcast journalism.



Royanne Doi

CLO and "Shikko Yakuin," The Prudential Life Insurance Company, Ltd.

Ms. Doi is Chief Legal Officer at The Prudential Life Insurance Company, Ltd. and also serves as Legal Counsel to Prudential Holdings of Japan, Inc., a Japanese insurance holding company. She has spent more than 15 years in Japan. Previously she was Senior Regional Counsel for Asia Pacific for State Street Bank and Trust Company, covering banking, asset management, foreign exchange and securities.

Before that, she served as Regional Director, ASIA for Legal/Government Affairs for CIGNA Songai/ACE Insurance, handling legal, regulatory, and trade issues with a variety of industry associations and government officials. She graduated Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa from Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, and received her law degree from UCLA School of Law.



Karen Donfried

Executive Vice President, German Marshall Fund

Dr. Donfried is the Executive Vice President of the German Marshall Fund (GMF) of the United States. She provides strategic direction to GMF's programs on transatlantic relations, oversees and helps manage GMF's headquarters in Washington and offices in Europe, and works closely with GMF's Board of Trustees. She previously served as GMF's director of foreign policy and, prior to that, worked as a European Affairs specialist in the Foreign Affairs, Defense, and

Trade Division of the Congressional Research Service (CRS). Dr. Donfried also served in the U.S. Department of State from October 2003 through May 2005, where she handled the Europe portfolio on the Policy Planning Staff. She has written on German foreign and defense policy, European integration, and transatlantic relations. She appears regularly on U.S. and European television and radio. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the American Council on Germany.

14 BIOGRAPHIES



The Honorable Ichiro Fujisaki **Ambassador of Japan to the United States**

Ambassador Fujisaki has had a distinguished diplomatic career, most recently serving as Ambassador to the United Nations and the World Trade Organization in Geneva. While there, he served as the Chairman of the Executive Committee of UNHCR (UN High Commissioner for Refugees). At the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Tokyo, he was Deputy Director General for Asian Affairs, Director General for North American

Affairs and was appointed Deputy Foreign Minister. He has served in Jakarta, Paris (OECD) and London, and was also the Sherpa, or personal representative, of the Prime Minister to G8 Summit meetings. Ambassador Fujisaki has spoken at various prestigious universities including Harvard, Columbia, Yale, Georgetown and Stanford.



Glen S. Fukushima **Chairman & Director, Airbus Japan K.K.** **Senior Vice President, Airbus SAS**

Mr. Fukushima is Senior Vice President of Airbus SAS and Chairman & Director of Airbus Japan K.K. Prior to joining Airbus in 2005, he headed the Japan operations of several companies, including NCR Corporation and Cadence Design Systems Inc., and was Vice President of the Japan operations of AT&T Corp. From 1985 to 1990, Mr. Fukushima was based in Washington, D.C. as Director for Japanese and Deputy Assistant United States Trade Representative for Japan and China at the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR), Executive Office of the

President. Mr. Fukushima also served as President of the American Chamber of Commerce in Japan and currently sits on the Board of the Japan Association of Corporate Executives, the America-Japan Society, and the Japanese American National Museum. He was Vice Chairman of the Japan-United States Friendship Commission and Vice Chairman of the U.S. panel of CULCON (Joint Committee on United States-Japan Cultural and Educational Interchange), and was a Fulbright Fellow and Japan Foundation Fellow at the Faculty of Law, University of Tokyo.



Emiko Higashi **Founder & Managing Director, Tomon Partners, LLC**

Ms. Higashi has spent 25 years working for companies in the high technology industry as an investor, board member, advisor and manager. She is currently the Founder and Managing Director of Tomon Partners, LLC, a Silicon Valley based M&A advisory firm, consulting primarily for Asian and U.S. companies. Ms. Higashi was a co-founder of Gilo Ventures LLC in 2000 and served on the board of Zen Research, Stentor Inc., and Silicon Design Systems. In these roles, she has reviewed hundreds of investment proposals from high technology start-up companies. She was also one of the founding members of Wasserstein Perella in 1988, and led the firm's technology M&A business until 1994. Ms. Higashi was recruited to build the

technology investment banking M&A practice of Merrill Lynch in 1994, and remained as managing director responsible for global technology M&A business until 2000. During her tenure at Merrill Lynch, Ms. Higashi personally advised on transactions valued at over \$17 billion. Her practice was global, with clients including Cisco Systems, DSP Communications, H&R Block, Hyundai Electronics, IBM, KLA Tencor, LSI Logic, Maxtor, SHL Systemhouse, USCS, and Xerox. Ms. Higashi is active in the non-profit community and is currently on the board of BUILD, a four year entrepreneurship-focused college preparation program. She is a graduate of the International Christian University and received her MBA from Harvard Business School.

15 BIOGRAPHIES



Robert K. Ichikawa
Managing Partner, Kobayashi, Sugita & Goda

Mr. Ichikawa is a Managing Partner at the law firm Kobayashi, Sugita & Goda in Honolulu, Hawaii. His practice concentrates in the areas of corporate, real estate and government affairs, with a specialty in immigration law. Mr. Ichikawa is the past president of the Hawaii Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association and has been recognized in "The Best Lawyers in America," and Honolulu Magazine's "Hawaii's Top Lawyers" in the areas of immigration law and government relations law. He is active in the

community and coaches for several community youth baseball and basketball leagues. He also serves on the boards of Atlas Insurance Agency, Big City Diner, Inc., kya design group, and the Japan-America Society of Hawaii. Since participating in the Japanese American Leadership Delegation program in 2006, he has taken a leadership role in numerous events between Japanese American leaders and Japan business leaders in Hawaii, including serving as JALD reunion chair in Hawaii in 2007.



Thomas Iino
Chairman of the Board, U.S.-Japan Council
Chairman of the Board, Pacific Commerce Bank

Mr. Iino is the Chairman of the Board at Pacific Commerce Bank. It is the only Japanese American-owned bank in the continental United States and focuses on serving the Japanese American community. He is also a Board member at Southwest Water Co. Previously, Mr. Iino served as Partner-in-Charge at Deloitte & Touche's International Practice in southern California, a group focused on meeting the local needs of its Japan-based clients. He is also the former president of both the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy and the California State Board of

Accountancy, receiving "Distinguished Service Awards" from both organizations. Mr. Iino is the past Chairman of the Japanese American Cultural Community Center, and past Chair of the International Advisory Committee for Los Angeles County Supervisor, Don Knabe. He currently serves on the Mayor's Trade Advisory Council and the boards of the Japanese American National Museum and Keiro Retirement Home. He holds a B.S. in Accounting from UCLA, with a California certification as a CPA.



Daniel K. Inouye
United States Senator, State of Hawaii

Senator Inouye, the most senior member of the U.S. Senate and the President Pro-Tempore is known for his distinguished record as a legislative leader, and as a World War II combat veteran with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. He earned the nation's highest award for military valor, the Congressional Medal of Honor. He was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1959 when Hawaii became a State, and elected to the U.S. Senate in 1962. He was thrust into the limelight in the 1970s, serving as a member of the Watergate Committee, then became the first Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence in 1976 and served as Chairman of the Iran-Contra Committee in 1987. Senator Inouye currently serves as Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Commit-

tee and Chairman of the Senate Defense Appropriations Subcommittee. He is the Ranking Member of the Commerce, Science & Transportation Committee, Indian Affairs Committee and the Rules Committee. Senator Inouye has championed the interest of Hawaii's people throughout his career. With his support, Hawaii's infrastructure has been strengthened, its economy diversified, and its natural resources protected and restored. His many accomplishments also include the passage of the Redress Act of 1988 and compensation for Filipino veterans in 2009. He helped establish the Inter-parliamentary Exchange Program between the U.S. Senate and Japan's legislature, and in 2000 the Government of Japan presented him with the Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun.

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Irene Hirano Inouye
President, U.S.-Japan Council

Ms. Hirano is President of the U.S.-Japan Council. She is the former President and founding CEO of the Japanese American National Museum in Los Angeles, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution. After 20 years, she stepped down from her CEO position in 2008 with her marriage to U.S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye. During her tenure, she led U.S.-Japan initiatives and accompanied nine Japanese American Leadership Delegations to Japan and co-chaired the annual Consuls General and Japanese American Leader's meetings. She has more than 35 years of experience in nonprofit administration, community education, and public

affairs. She serves as the Chair of the Ford Foundation Board of Trustees; board member and immediate past Chair of the American Association of Museums; Ford Foundation trustee; trustee and immediate past chair of the Kresge Foundation; member of the Smithsonian Institution National Board; trustee of the National Trust for Historic Preservation; board member and past chair of LA Inc./Los Angeles Convention & Visitors Bureau; and former member of the Business Advisory Board of Sodexo Corporation and the Toyota Diversity Advisory Board. She holds a B.A. and M.A. from the University of Southern California



Randell "Randy" Iwasaki
Executive Director, Contra Costa Transportation Authority

Mr. Iwasaki is the Executive Director of the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) which administers a one-half percent sales tax program. The 1988 "Measure C" program consists of \$1.1 billion in projects and programs; the 2004 "Measure J" program totals \$2 billion and will run from 2009 through 2034. The Authority is the Congestion Management Agency, which makes recommendations on how to allocate funds in Contra Costa. Previously, he was appointed by Governor Schwarzenegger as Director of the California Department of Transportation where he was in charge of the operation of the California state transportation system and oversaw an annual budget of \$14 billion. A licensed civil engineer, Mr. Iwasaki was at

Caltrans for more than 26 years. He sits on a number of panels, including chairing the Technology Coordinating Committee for the renewal portion of the Strategic Highway Research Program and AASHTO's Special Committee on Transportation Security and Emergency Management. In 2009, he was named on Government Technology's list of 25 "Doers, Dreamers and Drivers," and in 2008 he was the recipient of the Thomas H. McDonald Memorial Award, the highest award presented by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials. Iwasaki earned his Bachelor's Degree from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, and a Master's in Engineering from California State University, Fresno.



David P. Jänes
Director of Foundation Grants, United States-Japan Foundation

Mr. Jänes is Director of Foundation Grants and Assistant to the President at the United States-Japan Foundation, where he directs Education, Policy, and Communications grant portfolios. He specializes in promoting mutual understanding between Japan and the U.S. through education. Mr. Jänes created the Elgin Heinz Outstanding Teacher Awards, a national award program for pre-collegiate educators demonstrating exemplary and innovative teaching on Japan, its language, and its culture. Mr. Jänes is one of the first two University in Exile Fellows at The New School for Social Research where he is engaged in Ph.D. studies in Sociology. Previously, he served as Director

of College and University Relations for the International Partnership for Service-Learning & Leadership, which develops and administers programs that unite academics and community service internationally. Mr. Jänes is a Trustee of the Japan, a Board Member of the Mike and Maureen Mansfield Center at the University of Montana, a Board Member of Saeko Ichinoh and Company, Inc., a Scott M. Johnson Fellow of the United States-Japan Leadership Program and Fellow of the British-American Project, is a participant in the Pacific Forum/CSIS Young Leaders Program, was a Nakasone Scholar at the Aspen Institute and a Term Member at the Council on Foreign Relations.

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James Jaska

Executive Vice President, Government, AECOM Technology Corporation

Mr. Jaska is Executive Vice President, Government, for AECOM Technology Corporation, a \$6-billion global provider of professional technical and management support services. In this role, Mr. Jaska oversees worldwide operations of the company's Government Group, which has annual revenue in excess of US\$1 billion. He holds line responsibility for all operating and professional aspects of the Group's 10,000 employees in over 50 countries. Prior to joining AECOM, Mr. Jaska was with Tetra Tech, Inc., a global provider of professional technical services in engineering, ap-

plied sciences, resource management, infrastructure, and systems development and integration. Serving most recently as president, he is credited as one of the principal architects of the company's sustained growth since joining the firm in 1994. Before joining Tetra Tech, Mr. Jaska held several operations and management positions at Alliant Techsystems, Inc., a multi-billion-dollar defense firm, as well at Honeywell, Inc., a Fortune 100 diversified technology and manufacturing company.



Fred Katayama

Anchor, Reuters Television

Mr. Katayama is an award-winning anchor for Reuters Television, based in New York. He anchors "Reuters World Update," "Reuters Insider," "Reuters Industry Summits," and "Reuters Technology Week." Prior to Reuters, he worked as an anchor and correspondent at CNN Business News, a division of the CNN News Group. He received an honorable mention in 1997 from the Asian American Journalists Association for his special report on the Asian American campaign financing scandal. Before joining CNN in 1995, Mr. Katayama was a business and general news reporter

for CBS's Seattle affiliate, KIRO-TV. Prior to that, he was a correspondent for four years at "Japan Business Today", an NHK production that aired daily on CNBC. While reporting for NHK, he won the Asian American Journalists Association's national award in 1994 for a humorous piece on executives competing in the food industry. Before beginning his career in television news, Mr. Katayama was a reporter for Fortune magazine in Tokyo and New York. In addition to his professional career, he serves on the Board of Directors at the Japan Society in New York.



Ryozi Kato

**Commissioner, Nippon Professional Baseball
Former Japanese Ambassador to the U.S.**

Ambassador Kato has served as the Commissioner of Nippon Baseball, the highest level of professional baseball in Japan, since 2008. He is also currently a Member of the Board for Mitsubishi Corporation in Tokyo, Japan and an advisor to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Renowned as the longest serving Japanese Ambassador to the United States, Ambassador Kato served in this role from 2001 to 2008. A career diplomat of over 40 years, he served in Japan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs in numerous posts, including the Director of the North American Affairs Bureau, the Japanese Consul General in San Francisco, the Deputy

General of the Foreign Policy Bureau, and the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs. Ambassador Kato has been recognized and respected on both sides of the Pacific for his understanding of policy issues and his clarity in direction to resolve them. A graduate of Tokyo University Faculty of Law and Yale Law School, Ambassador Kato served his country in Australia, Egypt, and the United States, in addition to multiple global assignments within the Ministry in Tokyo. A lifelong baseball fan, he became the Commissioner of Nippon Baseball at the end of his diplomatic career.

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Maurice Kaya

Consultant and Project Director, Pacific International Center for High Technology Research

Mr. Kaya serves as Project Director for the Pacific International Center for High Technology Research and the Hawaii Renewable Energy Development Venture. He also consults on clean energy policies, investments, and management strategies to clients in Hawaii and the US mainland. He previously served as Chief Technology Officer (CTO) for the Hawaii Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism. Mr. Kaya developed a comprehensive energy policy strategy for the State of Hawaii known as Energy for Tomorrow, which is being implemented as the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative, a unique partnership between Hawaii and the US Department of Energy. He currently serves as a board member of Energy Industries,

a leading clean energy project integrator in Hawaii and the mainland US. The US Secretary of Energy appointed him to the State Energy Advisory Board and the Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technical Advisory Committee. In the past, he served as the Vice President and Chief Engineer of a major civil engineering firm in Honolulu; as the Deputy Director and Chief Engineer for the City and County of Honolulu; and as the Director of Facilities Planning and Engineering, US Navy Public Works Center, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. A registered professional engineer, he received a Masters Degree in Environmental Engineering and Bachelors Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Hawaii.



Darren Kimura

President, Founder & CEO, Sopogy

Mr. Kimura is the President, Founder & CEO of Sopogy, a company focused on developing the new sector of solar power known as "MicroCSP." During his career, he created several companies which he grew internationally, led teams with several hundred employees and grew his businesses to multi-million dollar success. He founded Energy Conservation and Management Hawaii (ECMH) now called Energy Industries in 1994, Pacific Energy Services in 1998, TechnO3 in 1999, Energy Laboratories in 2000, Sopogy in 2002, Energy Smart News in 2004 and Keahole Solar Power in 2007. He gained experience in acquisitions leading the purchase of three energy companies and exits in

selling two portfolio companies. He has raised more than \$30 million in venture capital, secured \$45 million in bond financing, \$10 million in debt facilities and sold over \$1 billion in energy technology, systems and services. Mr. Kimura has been recognized as the "Emerging Entrepreneur of the Year 2000," "Top 40 under Forty 2000," SBA Regional "Young Entrepreneur of the Year 2002," "Green Entrepreneur of the Year 2007," Recipient of the Honua (Earth) Award 2009 and named as "Top 10 for Today in Hawaii 2010." He studied electrical engineering at Portland State University and holds a B.A. from the University of Hawaii.



Norman Y. Mineta

Vice Chairman, Hill & Knowlton Inc.

Former U.S. Secretary of Transportation, Former U.S. Secretary of Commerce

Secretary Mineta is Vice Chairman of Hill & Knowlton, Washington, DC office, where he provides counsel to Hill & Knowlton clients on a wide range of issues, including expertise in transportation and national security. Secretary Mineta served in Congress for over twenty years and in the Cabinets of Republican and Democratic presidents. For almost thirty years, he represented San Jose, California on the City Council, as Mayor, and as a Member of Congress. Secretary Mineta served as the U.S. Secretary of Commerce under President William Jefferson Clinton, making him the first Asian American to serve in a Presidential Cabinet. He was appointed the U.S. Secretary of Transporta-

tion by President George W. Bush from 2001 to 2006. Secretary Mineta received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian honor in the United States, and the Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy for significant public service to aviation in the U.S. He also received the Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun in 2007. A leader in the Japanese American and Asian Pacific American communities, he was the co-founder of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus and helped lead the successful passage of H.R. 442, the Civil Liberties Act of 1988, which redressed the injustices perpetrated against Japanese Americans during World War II.

19 BIOGRAPHIES



Irene Natividad
President, Global Summit of Women

Ms. Natividad is President of the Global Summit of Women, an annual international gathering of women leaders from around the world. She also co-chairs Corporate Women Directors International and runs her own public affairs firm, GlobeWomen, based in Washington, D.C. Ms. Natividad's commitment to promoting women, nationally and internationally, stems from her decade-long involvement with the National Women's Political Caucus, a 30-year-old bipartisan organization dedicated to electing and appointing more women

to public office. During the 1990s, she assumed the chairmanship of the National Commission on Working Women, which works on economy equity issues affecting women through groundbreaking research and training programs. Ms. Natividad was named one of the "21 Leaders for the 21st Century" by *Women's eNews* and was one of the "74 Women Changing American Politics" in *Campaign & Elections Magazine*.



Paul Niwa
Professor, Emerson College

Mr. Niwa is an Assistant Professor of Journalism at Emerson College, where he teaches broadcast, online and financial journalism. He has received national awards for his innovative teaching, scholarly research and creative work. Mr. Niwa studies journalistic quality by analyzing the sources journalists quote. His creative portfolio includes *bostonchinatown.org*, a social networking mapping site, and documentaries that have been shown nationally at film festivals, academic conferences, and on public radio and television. He is a frequent commentator on the business of journalism and the treatment of Asian Americans

in the news for media outlets worldwide. During his professional career, Mr. Niwa launched two international television networks in Asia, six newscasts and a streaming media news program for NBC, the Gannett Company and Stockhouse Media. He produced "Today's Business," CNBC's international finance program; co-created "NBC Asia Evening News;" and launched the nationally broadcasted "Early Today" program. Mr. Niwa holds a B.A. in Economics from the University of California, Riverside and an M.A. from Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism.



Daniel I. Okimoto
Professor Emeritus, Stanford University

Dr. Okimoto is Professor Emeritus, Department of Political Science, and the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, at Stanford University, where he has been based since 1977. In 1978, Professor Okimoto co-founded the Shorenstein Asia/Pacific Research Center. He has been Vice-Chairman of the Japan Committee of the National Research Council at the National Academy of Sciences, the Research Institute on the Economy, Trade, and Industry, and a member of the Advisory Council of the Department of Politics at Princeton University. He is currently a Senior International Advisor to the Development Bank of Japan and to Harbor Pacific Capital, a venture capital fund. From 1984 – 2000, Dr. Okimoto served as a special policy advisor to US Senator Bill Bradley. Since August 2009, Dr. Okimoto has been a Special Policy Advisor for US Ambassador to Japan, John V. Roos,

particularly on policy issues related to clean technology. In 2004, Professor Okimoto received the Japanese Foreign Minister's Commendation in recognition of his contributions to US-Japan relations and in 2007 he was awarded the "Order of the Rising Sun with Goldray Neck Ribbon" by the Japanese government, the highest honor that can be conferred on a non-Japanese. In 2009, Professor Okimoto was awarded "The Lifetime Achievement Award" by the Keizai Society, US-Japan Business Council of Silicon Valley. He is the author and editor of numerous books and articles, including "The Financial Crisis and America's Capital Dependence on Japan and China," in *Asia-Pacific Review*, Vol. 16, No. 1, May 2009. Professor Okimoto earned a BA from Princeton University, MA from Harvard University, and a PhD in Political Science from the University of Michigan.

20 BIOGRAPHIES



Osamu Onodera

**Director General, General Affairs and Policy Planning Department
New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization**

Mr. Onodera is the Director General, General Affairs and Policy Planning Department, for the New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization. Prior to that, Mr. Osamu was Director for International Affairs in the Energy Conservation and Renewable Energy Department in the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry in Japan. He was responsible for bilateral and multilateral cooperation in energy conservation and renewable energy, and was the lead organizer on the Japanese side for the China-Japan Energy Conservation Environment Forum in 2008 and 2009. Mr. Osamu has co-chaired two working groups, Energy

Efficiency and Renewable Energy in the India-Japan Energy Dialogue, and has served as the head of delegation for METI on other bilateral meetings. Mr. Osamu headed the METI delegation for various multilateral meetings including the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) preparatory meetings, the Energy Efficiency Working Party at the International Energy Agency (IEA), the newly formed International Partnership for Energy Efficiency Cooperation (IPEEC), and other renewable energy and energy efficiency meetings in Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) and Asia-Pacific Partnership (APP).



Henry Y. Ota

**Board Secretary, U.S.-Japan Council
Counsel, Reed Smith LLP**

Mr. Ota is the Chair and founder of the Japan Business Team at Reed Smith LLP, one of the top 15 global law firms. Mr. Ota has represented Japanese clients in the United States and worldwide for 39 years, focusing on international business transactions, corporate law, M&A, and strategic alliances. He served as the Chairman of the Japanese American National Museum (JANM) and has been a JANM trustee for 20 years. He was a co-chair of the International Initiative at JANM that included key U.S.-Japan programs, such as the Japanese American Leadership Delegation to Japan, the Annual Symposium, the annual meeting with the

U.S. Consul Generals, and the Japanese American and Japanese Business Network project. He is also a Board member of the Japanese American Cultural & Community Center, a nationally recognized sponsor of traditional Japanese programs. He currently serves as the Vice-Chairman of Pacific Commerce Bank, the only Japanese American community bank in the continental United States. He was a member of the Asian International Advisory Council to LA County Supervisor Don Knabe, and an Advisor to Los Angeles Mayor James Hahn.



Bill Parks, Jr.

Senior Technical Advisor, OE, U.S. Department of Energy

Mr. Parks currently serves as Senior Technical Advisor, OE, of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). He has led or directed several departmental initiatives within the DOE including the Electricity Vision and Roadmap, the Hydrogen Vision and Roadmap, Clean Energy for the 21st Century, Distributed Energy Resources and the Advanced Turbine Systems Program. He also led the development of the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative, with a goal to reach 70% clean energy by 2030. Between 2000 and 2003, Mr. Parks directed the formation of the Office of Electric Transmission and Distribution and the Office of Power Technologies

in EERE which combines all renewable technologies, distributed generation, energy storage, and other related groups. He has served in advisory roles to the California Energy Commission, Electric Power Research Institute, Gas Technology Institute, NRECA, FERC and other institutions. In 2005, he was awarded a lifetime achievement award from US industry for his contributions to Distributed Generation. Mr. Parks received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Materials Engineering at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

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Torkel Patterson
President, U.S.-JAPAN MAGLEV

Mr. Patterson is President of U.S.-Japan MAGLEV, LLC, which has partnered with Central Japan Railway Company's (JRC) to market and deploy JRC Superconducting MAGLEV (SCMAGLEV) systems and technology to selected international markets, including the United States. Additionally, he supports JRC and U.S.-Japan High-Speed Rail efforts to introduce JRC's N700-I Bullet train worldwide. Mr. Patterson previously served for more than six years with Raytheon Company, including more than four years as President, Raytheon International Inc., leading Raytheon's

international business development. Mr. Patterson also served in a variety of posts in the U.S. Government in three administrations, including Special Assistant to the President for Asia, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for South Asia, and Senior Country Director for Japan in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. Mr. Patterson is a member of the Board of Governors of Pacific Forum CSIS. He is a distinguished graduate of the United States Naval Academy and was an Olmsted Scholar at the University of Tsukuba in Ibaraki, Japan.



Sheila A. Smith
Senior Fellow for Japan Studies, Council on Foreign Relations

Dr. Smith, an expert on Japanese politics and foreign policy, is Senior Fellow for Japan Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR). Dr. Smith is directing the CFR's New Regional Security Architecture for Asia Program. She joined CFR from the East-West Center in 2007, where she specialized in Asia-Pacific international relations and U.S. policy toward Asia. She was also recently affiliated with Keio University in Tokyo, where she researched and wrote on Japan's foreign policy toward China and the Northeast Asian region on an Abe Fellowship. For three years, she directed a multinational research team in a cross-national study

of the domestic politics of the U.S. military presence in Japan, South Korea, and the Philippines. Among Dr. Smith's publications are *Shifting Terrain: The Domestic Politics of the U.S. Military in Asia*, East-West Center Special Report No. 8 (East-West Center, 2006), and "A Place Apart: Okinawa in Japan's Postwar Peace" in *Partnership: The United States and Japan, 1951-2001* (Kodansha International, 2001). She currently serves on the Editorial Board of the *Contemporary Issues of Asia Pacific* and is a research associate at Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies at Harvard University.



Dean Jeanette C. Takamura
Dean of School of Social Work, Columbia University

Dean Takamura is the first female Dean of the Columbia University School of Social Work, the first school of social work in the nation. From 1996 to 2001 she was the Assistant Secretary for Aging at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Prior to this, she served in senior positions in the state government of Hawaii and held faculty and administrative appointments in higher education. She has received numerous awards, among them the Lucy Stone Award from the White House for her advocacy and the enactment of the National Family Caregiver

Support Program, which provides a range of supportive services to millions of family caregivers. She has been a member of national and international boards and working groups. Dean Takamura has been named a Social Work Pioneer by the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) Foundation, the premier professional association for social workers. She earned her Ph.D. in Social Policy from Brandeis University and both her Master of Social Work and bachelor's degrees from the University of Hawaii.

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Wallace K. Tsuha

Chairman and CEO Saturn Electronic & Engineering, Inc.

Mr. Tsuha founded Saturn in late 1985 to provide engineering design and electronics assembly to the automotive, commercial, and military markets. Prior to starting Saturn, Mr. Tsuha played major roles in two successful start-ups: Rockwell Automotive Electronics and TRW Transportation Electronics, where he held various key management positions over seven years. Mr. Tsuha began his career in the U.S. Army, where he was instrumental in developing their global communications infrastructure. He then went on to work at General Motors' Advance Electronics Research Laboratory for 10 years. Mr. Tsuha brings with him 40 years

of electronics operations, design, and manufacturing experience – specifically in the automotive component industry. He is a board member of the Original Equipment Suppliers Association (OESA), board member of Gentex Corporation, director at the National Minority Supplier Development Council, and Chairman and founder of the Asian Pacific American Chamber of Commerce (APACC). Mr. Tsuha was recognized by Inc. 500 Magazine as one of the "Fastest Growing Companies," six years consecutively. He has also received numerous awards for excellence as a minority businessperson and small business entrepreneur.



Savio Tung

Managing Director, Investcorp

Mr. Tung is a Senior Partner and the Head of the Technology Investment Group of Investcorp. The Group manages over US\$1 billion and is actively investing in small and medium sized technology buyout investments. He has been involved with most of the corporate buyouts carried out at Investcorp during his twenty plus years with the firm. Before joining Investcorp in 1984, he was a senior banker with Chase Manhattan Bank and worked at its offices in New York, Bahrain, Abu Dhabi and London. He played a key role in establishing Chase's Bahrain

office and its marketing presence in the Gulf. Mr. Tung has served on the boards of many of Investcorp portfolio companies, including Circle K, Saks Fifth Avenue, Simmons Mattresses, Star Market and Stratus Computer. He is currently a board member of Magnum and is the Chairman of the Wireless Telecom Group (WTT). Mr. Tung is a board member and treasurer of the Aaron Diamond AIDS Research Center, an affiliate of Rockefeller University, and is also an independent non-executive director of Bank of China, Hong Kong.



Jan Yanehiro

President, Jan Yanehiro, Inc.

Ms. Yanehiro is President of Jan Yanehiro, Inc., a media and marketing strategic planning firm. She is also the Founding Director of the School of Multi Media Communications at the Academy of Art University, San Francisco and Board Member of the Bank of Marin. Previously, Ms. Yanehiro co-hosted "Evening Magazine," a pioneering nightly program on KPIX TV (CBS). She has won many awards for the program, including an Emmy from the National Association of Television and Radio Artists and the Eleanor Roosevelt

Humanitarian Award from the United Nations of San Francisco. She is also a Silver Circle Inductee, an award given by the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. She has hosted several documentaries on the Japanese American experience during WWII and is very active in the Japanese American community, serving on the boards of Kristi Yamaguchi's Always Dream Foundation, N! Leadership Network, and the Osaka-San Francisco Sister City Association.

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Aimee Sueko Eng **Development Officer, On Lok, Inc.** **[Oakland, CA]**

As the current Development Officer of On Lok, Inc., Ms. Eng directs fundraising events in San Francisco for the elderly community and acts as an ambassador for the company at various community and city events. Ms. Eng is an Executive Committee Member of the San Francisco-Osaka Sister City Association, working with city leaders to build international goodwill through programs and exchanges. She was also the Cherry Blossom Queen of the San Francisco region from 2004-2005, and as Queen, spearheaded the first Orinda Pan-Asian Festival, designed to educate local youth about the diversity within Asian cultures. Ms. Eng exhibited an active interest in US-Japan relations, and her work with the Sister City Association exchange programs demonstrate her commitment to fostering relations between the two countries.

Natsuma Nate Imai **Intern, Imai Keller Moore Architects; Atelier** **Hitoshi Abe (AHA) [Los Angeles, CA]**

Mr. Imai demonstrated his leadership potential and drive in his employment experiences and community involvements. As a part of his career, Mr. Imai has worked on big architectural projects around the greater Los Angeles area while interning under the architecture studio founded by Hitoshi Abe, faculty and Chair of UCLA's Architecture and Urban Design program. In the community, he has involved himself in various local Asian American and Japanese American

organizations, including the Nikkei Community Internship in Los Angeles and the Japan Society of Boston, and served as President of the Nikkei Student Union at UCLA from 2008-2009. Mr. Imai has expressed his commitment to expanding his involvements to US-Japan related matters, and USJC's Annual Conference will provide him with the tools necessary to continue to actively learn about and participate in fostering US-Japan relations.

Janelle Yukie Kuroda **Judge Advocate, U.S. Navy [Washington, D.C.]**

Lieutenant Kuroda has extensive working experience in legal support at an international level. As the Judge Advocate to the Commander of Combined Task Force 151 Counter Piracy in the U.S. Navy, Lt. Kuroda was in charge of briefing the Commander and staff about Japanese current events, culture, and etiquette. She also organizes programs for each diversity month for the naval facilities, and has traveled to various locations in the Middle East, including Baghdad, Bahrain, and Afghanistan to provide legal support to commands. Lt. Kuroda came highly recommended by a number of USJC members and board members, and her worldview as it relates to US-Japan relations will be an asset to the leadership development group.

Michael Mikawa
Paralegal Specialist, Department of Justice
[Washington, D.C.]

Mr. Mikawa has a great range of professional experience in the legal field, currently working with the U.S. Department of Justice, and previously working for the Alameda County Superior Court, California State Assembly, and the Asian Law Caucus. He is a driven individual and poised for leadership, as demonstrated by his position as Vice President of the Nikkei Student Union from 2007–2008 as an undergraduate at UC Berkeley. Mr. Mikawa is currently involved in the Japanese American Citizens League, and Nakayoshi, a Japanese American Young Professionals Organization, located in Northern California. He is enthusiastic about tying his own Japanese ancestry to his ability to help better US–Japan relations.

John Toru Rankin
Camp Director, Camp BizSmart [Honolulu, HI]

Mr. Rankin has a remarkable entrepreneurial background with great leadership potential, experience living and working in Japan, and an interest in renewable energy, a topic that will be of focus at USJC's Annual Conference. Mr. Rankin lived in Japan for six years and worked for a number of entertainment and music companies. After relocating to Hawaii, he created and launched Camp BizSmart, a camp designed to teach youth entrepreneurial skills as a response to the current economic troubles. As a part of BizSmart Mr. Rankin also held six workshops on renewable energy, and is looking to the program to expand his knowledge and experience on this topic as it relates to the US and Japan.

Kaoru Utada
Production Associate, ABC News, NewsOne
[New York, NY]

Ms. Utada has a strong background in media and communications, and has worked on transcribing, translating, and sending stories to and from Japan for ABC news, Fuji TV, and NHK Enterprises America, Inc. She is also President of the Hoshuko Alumni Association, Inc. and a member of both the Japanese Americans, Japanese in America (JAJA) and Asian American Journalists Association (AAJA). Ms. Utada is also fluent in both English and Japanese. Her work experience involving media between U.S. and Japan adds a unique and valuable perspective to the leadership program.

Kent Mori Walther
Associate, BlackSand Capital, LLC
[Honolulu, HI]

A graduate of Harvard University and the UCLA Anderson School of Management, Mr. Walther has had experience working directly with Japanese owners of Hawaii real estate assets. Through BlackSand Capital, he currently works with Japanese institutions and individuals who are looking to invest Japanese capital in Hawaii. While at Harvard, Mr. Walther also participated in the Japan Society and the 2001 East Coast Japan America League conference. Additionally, Mr. Walther will be working on the upcoming APEC 2011, which will take place in Hawaii, and expressed a keen interest in USJC's Annual Conference to help bolster his understanding of US–Japan relations.

Kendee A. Yamaguchi
Executive Director, Commission on Asian
Pacific American Affairs [Seattle, WA]

Ms. Yamaguchi has far-reaching experience in the legal field and in Asian Pacific American affairs, and demonstrates an aptitude for leadership. Ms. Yamaguchi was appointed by the Governor in November 2009 to Executive Director of the Commission on Asian Pacific Affairs, and prior to the Commission has worked in the White House Office of Management and Administration, the Washington State Senate, and was a contract attorney with Keller Rohrback. She is also a Board Member of the Seattle Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League and is a 2005 graduate of the Asian Community Leadership Foundation Program. Her experience in policy work within the legislature and state agencies will be valuable in working with the US and Japan, and this program will enable Ms. Yamaguchi to expand her networks to contribute to the strengthening of US–Japan relations.

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