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In June 2020, Mr. Kosei Kobayashi was appointed Deputy Managing Director of International House of Japan.

He is the President and CEO of KK Holdings Inc, a consulting and M&A advisory company from 2016. He has also been Senior Advisor of several companies including a Japanese auction house and investment advisory company based in Hong Kong. Prior to founding KK Holdings Inc, Mr. Kobayashi held the position of Senior Managing Director at a Japanese luxury magazine publisher from 1996, which helped him to establish an extensive business network in Japan. Before pursuing a career in publishing, he worked at several investment banks in New York, including Mitsubishi UFJ Bank from 1987.

Mr. Kobayashi holds a Bachelor of Economics degree from Keio University (1987). He earned a Master of Science in Publishing from the School of Professional Studies at New York University in 1998. He served as the President & Chairman of the NYU Alumni Club in Japan from 2017 to 2019 and he is now a member of the Club's Asian committee. He is also a founding member of Asia Society Japan center.