

Africa Business Seminar in Nagoya - Highlighting the Potential of African Students -

Organizers: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, JICA, JETRO, UNDP
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Date : Thursday, 19th December 2019 13:30 – 16:30pm
Venue: Seminar Room A, JICA Nagoya Global Plaza



Program

13:00 Doors open/registration

13:30 Opening Remarks (MC: JICA Chubu Center)

Mr. Eiichi Hasegawa, Special Advisor to the Prime Minister of Japan

Mr. Yasuhiko Yokoi, Chairman of Africa-Japan Relations Committee, Japan Association of Corporate Executives
(Senior Executive Advisor, Toyota Tsusho Corp.)

13:50 Panel Discussion

Keynote Speech

Mr. Mikio Mori, Director General, African Affairs Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Dr. Yasuhiro Doi, Professor and International Coordinator at Graduate School of Economics, Nagoya University

Panel Discussion

Mr. Masashi Suzuki, CEO, FD Corporation (Kariya-city, Aichi)

Mr. Shinji Inoue, Director in charge of Africa, Otowa Electric Co., Ltd. (Amagasaki-city, Hyogo)

Ms. Kaori Fujita, Director, Hinode Sangyo Co., Ltd. (Yokohama-city, Kanagawa)

Ms. Juvencia Deschamps Ralay Harisoa (Nagoya Univ. of Commerce&Business,
Graduate School of Management, Madagascar)

Mr. Agbewonou Helton Yawovi (Nagoya Institute of Technology, Graduate School of Engineering, Togo)

Mr. Tagy Aldeen Abdalmoniem Ahmed Mohamed (Nagoya Institute of Technology, Computer Science, Sudan)

Facilitator

Dr. Seiichiro Yonekura, Professor, Hosei Business School / Professor emeritus, Hitotsubashi Univ.

15:05 Sector-based Presentation

①Infrastructure:

Mr. Norio Kani, Representative Director/Ms. Junko Kani, Director of Management Planning
Kani Construction Co., Ltd. (Komaki-city, Aichi)

Mr. Mekaoui Nabil (Toyoashi Univ. of Technology, Architecture and Civil Engineering, Morocco)

②Transport/Car:

Mr. Kentaro Mizuguchi, Manager, General Affairs Division, Management Department, Trust Co., Ltd.
(Nagoya-city, Aichi)

Mr. Essam Kaoud Mohammed Mouhran (Toyoashi Univ. of Technology, Mechanical Engineering, Egypt)

Mr. Akandwanaho Edwin (Nagoya University, Environmental Engineering and Architecture, Uganda)

③IT:

Mr. Hiroya Kudo, Senior Director, Business Development Division, Soft Bank Group (Minato-ku, Tokyo)

Mr. Daniel Elliot Kwantwi (Univ. of Tokyo, Agricultural Life Sciences, Ghana)

Comment: Mr. Satoshi Abe, Deputy Director of UNDP Tokyo Office

16:05 Closing Remarks/Networking

Mr. Osamu Kubota, Executive Vice President, JETRO

Mr. Kazuhiko Koshikawa, Executive Senior Vice President, JICA

16:30 Closure

Introduction of Corporations & African Students to Present

FD Corporation (Kariya-city, Aichi) - The corporation in Aichi manages solar power generation and has accommodated 11 interns from 9 countries in total especially from Africa since 2018. It provided them with opportunities to attend trainings on solar power generation and to propose business models applicable in their home countries. It employed an intern from Senegal in 2018 and is currently concretizing a business plan to design and construct solar power generation facilities in Africa.



Otowa Electric Co., Ltd.(Amagasaki-city, Hyogo) - The corporation is a manufacturer of Lightning Protection related products. It came to know about serious lightening damages in Rwanda through engagement of interns from the country. Utilizing the JICA's SDGs Business Supporting Surveys, it transfers technologies of lightening protection and promotes business operation, collaborating with local partners. With the intern who returned to Rwanda functioning as a bridge, it aims to offer sustainable solutions suitable to local challenges and contexts.

Hinode Sangyo Co., Ltd. (Yokohama-city, Kanagawa) - The corporation is located in Yokohama-city and deals with waste water treatment. Prompted by its participation to TICADV at Yokohama in 2013, it has accommodated 39 ABE Initiative participants from 15 countries in total as interns since 2016. It employed interns from Senegal and Morocco in 2019 and currently engages in product development and joint research with universities utilizing rich network with Africa.



Ms. Juvencia Deschamps Ralay Harisoa (Nagoya Univ. of Commerce & Business, Graduate School of Management, Madagascar) - She came to Japan as an ABE Initiative participant in 2016. She learned quality process of TOFU during the internship at Otoufu Factory Ishikawa Co., Ltd in Aichi. After graduation in 2018, she was employed at GPSS Holdings Inc., and in charge of public relations and employing foreign personnel including Africa.



Mr. Agbewonou Helton Yawovi (Nagoya Institute of Technology, Graduate School of Engineering, Togo) - He came to Japan as an ABE Initiative participant in 2018. He Proposed some new ideas of using IoT and AI during the internship at MARUHACHITENT CORPORATION in Aichi, and exploring the possible collaboration with the IT Company he established in Togo.



Mr. Tagy Aldeen Abdalmoniem Ahmed Mohamed (Nagoya Institute of Technology, Information Engineering, Sudan) - He has worked as a software engineer for two years after graduation in Sudan and came to Japan to obtain master's degree in engineering. Utilizing his experience at Ever System Inc., a start-up in Nagoya where he learnt about corporate culture and environment specific to Japanese companies, he got a job offer at a corporation developing smartphone apps in Tokyo.



Venue Capacity :100
Language :Japanese/English (Simultaneous Translation)
Registration : <https://bit.ly/2Dmscr3>

(Venue Access)

13 minutes walk from Nagoya Station
5 minutes walk from Sasashima-Live Station, Aonami Line
10 minutes walk from Komeno Station, Kintetsu Nagoya Line

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