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Abenomics
The Trans-Pacific Partnership
and
Economic Opportunities for Texas



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JAPAN UPDATE

The *Japan Update* symposium is the start of a continuing program that the Japan-America Society of Dallas/Fort Worth will offer to promote mutual understanding between the United States and Japan. To that end, we have brought together speakers from Japan, the greater U.S., and the local community to facilitate dialogue between Japanese and American businesses and professionals and to offer different perspectives on current events that affect us all. Through the cooperation of the Sasakawa Peace Foundation and the National Association of Japan-America Societies, this program is part of a larger series of *Japan Update* presentations, which is bringing current thinking and new perspectives about contemporary issues to Japan-America Societies across the United States. The series fills an important need for information at a time of increased interest in the bilateral relationship in both countries. Today's theme, *Abenomics, the Trans-Pacific Partnership, and Economic Opportunities for Texas*, was selected because of the direct impact these negotiations will have on our area's economy. We hope that participants will gain a better understanding of this landmark free trade agreement and its implications on both sides of the Pacific.

AGENDA

February 11, 2014

12:30 – 2:00 pm Luncheon - San Antonio Ballroom II

Welcome by

Don Casey

President, Japan-America Society of Dallas/Fort Worth

Introduction by

Ambassador Ron Kirk

Senior Of Counsel, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher

The Trans-Pacific Partnership: Opening Markets and Opportunities in the New Japan

Keynote Address by

Wendy Cutler

Acting Deputy U.S. Trade Representative

Discussion / Q&A

2:00 – 2:15 pm Break - Move to Houston Room

2:15 – 3:10 pm Panel #1 - Houston Room

Moderator:

Dr. Hiroki Takeuchi

Associate Professor of Political Science, Southern Methodist University

The TPP as a Crucial Piece of Abenomics

Presentation by

Dr. Fukunari Kimura

Professor of Economics, Keio University, Japan

Response by

Wendy Cutler

Acting Deputy U.S. Trade Representative

Discussion / Q&A

3:10 – 3:25 pm Coffee Break

3:25 – 4:30 pm Panel #2 - Houston Room

The TPP and Opportunities for Texas

Moderator:

Dr. Anny Wong

Research Fellow, John G. Tower Center for Political Studies,
Southern Methodist University

*Texas Oil and Gas Exports:
Opportunities and Challenges under TPP*

Dr. Michelle Michot Foss

Chief Energy Economist and Head, Center for
Energy Economics, Bureau of Economic Geology,
The University of Texas at Austin

*Realizing the Promises of TPP for North Texas:
Priorities for DFW Airport*

Christopher Poinatte

Executive Vice President-Chief Financial Officer,
Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport

Discussion / Q&A

4:30 – 5:30 pm Networking Reception - San Antonio Foyer

Wendy Cutler

Acting Deputy U.S. Trade Representative



Ms. Cutler is responsible for U.S. trade negotiations and enforcement in Asia and Africa. Among her many responsibilities, she directly oversees engagement with Japan in the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP), as well as the bilateral negotiations with Japan parallel to the TPP. Over the past 25 years at USTR, Ms. Cutler has held a number of positions, working on both bilateral and multilateral issues. Most recently, she led the U.S.- Japan TPP consultations, paving the way for Japan's participation in the TPP negotiations. She has also negotiated a wide range of bilateral agreements with Japan on such issues as telecommunications, insurance, and semiconductors. Ms. Cutler received her MSFS from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service and her B.A. from the George Washington University.

Michelle Michot Foss

Head, Center for Energy Economics
Bureau of Economic Geology, The University of Texas at Austin



Dr. Foss has been an analyst of international energy and non-fuel resource development and environmental issues for 30 years. She frequently publishes and speaks on energy and natural resource topics. Dr. Foss is a member of several distinguished committees, including the Technical Advisory Board of the Natural Resources Charter; Board of Advisors, Institute for Energy in the 21st Century, U.S. Chamber of Commerce; and the Education Advisory Board, Association of International Petroleum Negotiators. A native of Louisiana, Dr. Foss holds degrees from the University of Louisiana, the Colorado School of Mines, and the University of Houston.

Dr. Fukunari Kimura

Professor of Economics
Keio University, Japan



Dr. Kimura, a respected professor and prolific author, also serves as a Representative Director of the Tokyo Center for Economic Research (TCER), Chief Economist of Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA), Representative Director of Tokyo Center for Economic Research (TCER), and a co-editor of the *Journal of the Japanese and International Economies*. His research interests encompass international trade and development economics. Before joining the Faculty of Economics at Keio University in 1994, Dr. Kimura was Assistant Professor of Economics at State University of New York at Albany. Professor Kimura received his B.A. in Law from the University of Tokyo and his M.A. and Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

Christopher Poinatte

Executive Vice President-Chief Financial Officer
Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport



Mr. Poinatte was appointed to his present position in September 2003. His many responsibilities include growing DFW Airport's core business of passenger and cargo airline service, specifically more international service; improving DFW Airport's performance measurement processes; and implementing a new Business Intelligence platform for DFW. Active in Airports Council International, he has chaired the ACI-NA Finance Committee for several years and is the current chair of the ACI-World Economics Committee. Mr. Poinatte recently received the CFO of the Year Awards from the Dallas Business Journal, the Fort Worth Business Press, and D CEO Magazine. He graduated from Notre Dame in 1979 and is a certified public account.

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