

Japan-US Kanazawa Conference

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The Japan Institute of International Affairs (JIIA)

Venue: Shiinoki Cultural Complex,

Kanazawa City, Ishikawa Prefecture, Japan

(1) Session 1 [Agenda Item 1(a)]

The strategic environment surrounding Japan and the US in 2025-30 (overview)

- General discussion on the strategic environment in 2025-30, covering not only Asia but also the Middle East and the global commons; also to be discussed are domestic developments in Japan and the US that might be pertinent to the alliance.

(2) Session 2 [Agenda Item 1(b)]

China and Korean Peninsula in 2025-30

(as part of the strategic environment surrounding Japan and the US)

- Will also discuss the respective roles of the alliance and regional frameworks.

(3) Session 3 [Agenda Item 2(a)]

The Japan-US alliance in the world of 2025-2030 (conventional security)

- Following up on the discussions of Agenda Item 1, the discussion will focus in particular on the relevance and roles of the Japan-US alliance for stability in the Asia-Pacific region and on if/how the alliance should be transformed.

(4) Session 4 [Agenda Item 2(b)]

The Japan-US alliance in the world of 2025-30

(addressing unconventional security and threats to the global commons)

- Following up on the discussions of Agenda Item 1, the discussion will be on the relevance and roles of the Japan-US alliance in dealing with unconventional security and threats to the global commons and on if/how the alliance should be transformed. These deliberations will also take into consideration trilateral (Japan-US-ROK, Japan-US-Australia, and Japan-US-China) cooperation as well as cooperation within regional frameworks.

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-*Keynote Speaker: Ambassador Ryozo Kato*, former Japanese Ambassador to the US

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