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# ACCELERATING RESPONSES TO CHALLENGES THROUGH INNOVATION

A Multistakeholder Approach to  
Healthy and Active Aging

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This side event is held as a part of the Asia Health and Wellbeing Initiative (AHWIN).

First launched in 2016 by the Japanese government, AHWIN aims to promote bilateral and regional cooperation that fosters sustainable and self-reliant health care systems in the Asian region. The goal of the initiative is to create vibrant and healthy societies where people can enjoy long and productive lives, and to contribute to the region's sustainable and equitable development as well as economic growth.

# PROGRAM

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Rapid population aging has been recognized as a common challenge that transcends national boundaries in the Asia-Pacific region. The complex and multifaceted nature of the challenge requires a multistakeholder approach, involving policymakers, the various levels of national and local government, the business sector, the healthcare sector, and civil society.

This side event aims to promote a lively discussion on ways to enhance cross-border, cross-sectoral cooperation—including public-private cooperation—to facilitate healthy and active aging and address the rising needs of elder care, and will introduce groundbreaking innovations and community-based approaches from Japan and Thailand.

## 12:00–13:00 **Opening Remarks**

**Hiroshi Kawamura**, Minister and Deputy Chief of Mission, Permanent Representative of Japan to ESCAP, Embassy of Japan in Thailand

## **Panel Discussions**

**Reiko Hayashi**, Director, Dept. of International Research and Cooperation, National Institute of Population and Social Security Research, Japan

**Sakarn Bunnag**, Director, Institute of Geriatrics, Department of Medical Services, Ministry of Public Health, Thailand

**Masanori Kobayashi**, CFO and Director, Triple W Japan Inc.

**Eduardo Klien**, Regional Director, Asia Pacific, HelpAge International

**Rintaro Mori**, Regional Advisor on Population Ageing and Sustainable Development, UNFPA Asia-Pacific Office

## **Closing Remarks**

**Laura Londén**, Deputy Executive Director, UNFPA

**Kaveh Zahedi**, Deputy Executive Secretary, ESCAP

## **Co-Moderators**

**Osuke Komazawa**, Special Advisor on Healthcare & Long Term Care Policy, Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA)

**Ryoko Nishida**, Senior Associate, Japan Center for International Exchange (JCIE)

## OPENING REMARKS

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### Hiroshi Kawamura

Minister and Deputy Chief of Mission, Permanent Representative of Japan to ESCAP, Embassy of Japan in Thailand



Hiroshi Kawamura, who currently serves as minister and deputy chief of mission at the Embassy of Japan in Thailand, joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) in 1986. He has served as director of the Policy Planning Division in the Foreign Policy Bureau, director of the European Policy Division in the European Affairs Bureau, counsellor for foreign affairs in the Cabinet Secretariat, and deputy assistant minister and deputy director-general in the European Affairs Bureau. Prior to serving in Thailand, he was stationed in several overseas missions, serving as deputy chief of mission/minister counsellor at the Embassy of Japan in Singapore, consul-general and minister at the Embassy of Japan in the United Kingdom, and minister and deputy chief of mission at the Embassy of Japan in France. He also served as ambassador to the Asia Europe Meeting, ambassador in charge of the Visegrád Group Plus Japan, and ambassador in charge of the Western Balkans.

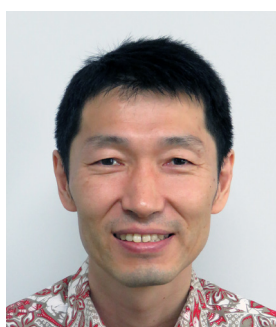
## PANEL DISCUSSIONS

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### [Moderator]

### Osuke Komazawa

Special Advisor on Healthcare & Long Term Care Policy, Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA)



Osuke Komazawa is the Special Advisor to the President for Healthcare and Long-Term Care Policy at the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA). He works in the Healthcare Unit of ERIA, which was established in 2017 to conduct research and make policy recommendations on population aging and long-term care. Since his appointment to ERIA, he has launched several research projects, such as a longitudinal survey for the older people in the Philippines and Vietnam, and a study of the development of career paths for long-term care personnel who return to their home country after working abroad. He has a background as an ENT surgeon. Dr. Komazawa graduated from the Medical School of Tohoku University in 2000 and obtained a PhD in Medical Science in 2013 from Nagasaki University. His dissertation discussed the community impact of long-lasting insecticide-treated bed nets based on data collected through a health and demographic surveillance system that was established by Nagasaki University and Kenya Medical Research Institute in western Kenya, covering about 50,000 people in the area along Lake Victoria. During his dissertation fieldwork, he stayed at a local fishing village for several months on an island off the coast of Lake Victoria. He worked for the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan from 2015 under a personnel exchange program and eventually was employed by the ministry in 2017. He is currently seconded to ERIA from the government of Japan.

## Ryoko Nishida

Senior Associate, Japan Center for International Exchange (JCIE)



Ryoko Nishida is senior associate at JCIE, responsible for coordinating research and dialogue under JCIE's healthy aging in Asia program. She has over 30 years of experience in the fields of population and sexual and reproductive health/rights, having worked for a Japan-based NGO, Japanese Organization for International Cooperation in Family Planning (JOICFP), from 1985 to 2015. Over the years, she has been extensively engaged in undertaking technical cooperation projects in the area of reproductive health and community health in Asia, Africa, and Latin

America in collaboration with MOFA, the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), UNFPA, IPPF, and other agencies. She has also undertaken various policy studies, project evaluation activities and research work with various development agencies. She has given numerous presentations at the domestic as well as international level meetings, and she has written various articles and reports both in Japanese and English in the areas of population, reproductive health and gender issues. Her publications include *A Study on Japan's Global Health Aid Policy—Toward the Formulation of a New Policy* (joint policy research commissioned by MOFA, 2010) and "Population Issues—From the Perspective of Reproductive Health," *Gendai no Espri*, Shibundo (1998). She holds a BA from Tokyo University of Foreign Studies and an MA in Sociology from Michigan State University (USA).

## [Panel]

## Reiko Hayashi

Director, Department of International Research and Cooperation, National Institute of Population and Social Security Research (IPSS), Japan



Dr. Reiko Hayashi obtained her Master of Health Sciences and Bachelor of Technology (Architecture) from the University of Tokyo and DESS of Université de Paris I, and her PhD in Policy Studies from the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Japan. Prior to joining IPSS in 2012, she served as a technical advisor to the minister of health of the Republic of Senegal (JICA expert) and project assistant professor at the Center for Sustainable Urban Regeneration of the University of Tokyo. Her recent research is on topics such as global aging and a

comparative analysis of long-term care demand and supply, and on calculating healthy life expectancy using various health and disability indicators. She is a member of the Study Group for Japan's International Contribution to Active Aging, the Advisory Panel on Global Health, and the Social Security Council Statistical Working Group Committee for International Classification of Functioning, Disability, and Health (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan), as well as of the Japanese Delegation to the United Nations Commission on Population and Development.



## Sakarn Bunnag

Director, Institute of Geriatrics, Department of Medical Services, Ministry of Public Health, Thailand



Dr. Sakarn Bunnag completed his medical training at Siriraj Hospital, Mahidol University and did his residency training in internal medicine at Rajavithi Hospital, and in nephrology at Siriraj Hospital, Thailand. He received clinical and research fellowship training in transplant immunology at University of Alberta, Canada. After training, he worked as a nephrologist at Rajavithi Hospital. Prior to becoming the director of the Institute of Geriatrics, he served as the deputy director of Rajavithi Hospital. At present, he is the co-chair of the National Service Plan Development Committee for Chronic Kidney Disease, Ministry of Public Health, Thailand, and is also involved in many projects related to non-communicable diseases in Thailand. In 2012, Dr. Sakarn received the Excellent Civil Servant Award from the Ministry of Public Health and the Office of the Civil Service Commission.

## Masanori Kobayashi

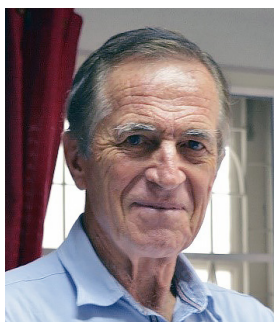
CFO & Director, Triple W Japan Inc.



Masanori Kobayashi graduated from Keio University's Faculty of Business and Commerce with high distinction in 2006. After graduation, he worked in the digital and direct marketing sectors at a Japanese advertising agency. There, he served various clients in such fields as online securities, insurance, and the auto industry. Following that, he engaged in M&A advising and IR/SR consulting for domestic publicly listed companies at IR Japan. He handled leading Japanese companies including major auto makers, IT enterprises, financial services firms, maritime shipping companies, and steelmakers. As a business management consultant for the Telecom, Media & Technology sector at Deloitte Tohmatsu Consulting, he engaged in business and marketing strategy formulation, new business development, and IPO support for major media companies. Having stepped into the startup industry since the fall of 2014, he concurrently served as the CFO of two startup firms. In his capacity as CFO, he currently oversees the corporate department at Triple W Japan, where he has raised more than ¥2 billion in capital to date.

## Eduardo Klien

Regional Director, Asia Pacific, HelpAge International



Eduardo Klien has studied political science and international economics in the Netherlands and the United States and earned his MSc in Economics at El Colegio de México. He has a broad background in social and economic development, having worked in academia, government, and international organizations. As an academic, Mr. Klien has been a lecturer in international economics at the University of Mexico, and in 1997 was appointed as a fellow researcher in the International Development Center (QEH) of the University of Oxford. In 2007, he was appointed as research fellow at the Oxford Institute of Ageing. He has also served in senior positions in

international organizations in Latin America and Africa. For the last 15 years, Mr. Klien has been in Asia, holding different directive positions in Laos, Vietnam, and regionally. Currently, he is the regional director for Asia Pacific at HelpAge International, overseeing programs in collaboration with the HelpAge network partners throughout Asia Pacific. The scope of his work extends to the promotion of social and economic adaptation to the changing demographic structures and to population aging. This includes policy development and research on population aging, community-based programs, and support for the voice of the elderly to ensuring that current and future seniors can lead dignified, active, healthy, and secure lives.

## **Rintaro Mori**

**Regional Advisor on Population Ageing and Sustainable Development, UNFPA  
Asia-Pacific Office**



Rintaro Mori is regional advisor on population ageing and sustainable development at UNFPA Asia-Pacific Office. After pediatric training in Japan, Dr. Mori practiced medicine in Australia, Nepal, and the UK as a senior pediatrician and studied epidemiology/public health at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine before becoming involved in guideline development for NICE, UK. He has also actively been involved in research and aid works in Madagascar, Bangladesh, and Mongolia, as well as research in health systems and women and children's health at the both national and global levels. He was appointed director of the Department of Health Policy at the National Center for Child Health and Development and professor of health policy for families and children at Kyoto University, where he has pursued research on the life-course approach to achieve sustainable social and health care systems in the context of population aging since 2012. He took up his current role in 2018. In addition to his primary positions, Professor Mori has also exerted himself in a range of diverse yet crucial roles, from being an educator at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, to being a country and regional coordinator for the WHO Global Survey on Maternal and Perinatal Health and WHO Multicountry Survey on Maternal and Newborn Health. He is also an editor for Cochrane Pregnancy and Childbirth and has authored more than 200 scientific publications.

