Japanese and American Innovation in a Global Age

Saturday, December 1, 2018 | 2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.
— reception to follow the event —
Georgia Institute of Technology
Clary Theater, Bill Moore Student Success Center
225 North Ave NW
Atlanta, GA 30332

Overview

Both the United States and Japan have long taken pride in their robust scientific research communities’ contributions to economic growth and human welfare. But the slowing pace and rising costs of research, along with strong competition from China and India, have challenged both governments to rethink their approaches to science and technology policy and set agendas that encourage innovation towards solving big social problems.

The Abe Fellows Global Forum will bring together experts to discuss how the United States and Japan are responding to these challenges, as well as the rapidly rising innovation hubs in China, India and Singapore. Panelists will consider institutional factors that encourage or discourage innovation; the impact of big data and AI on innovation policies and strategies; cultures of innovation in Japan, the US and other Asian countries; conflicts between the interests of companies, national populations, and global welfare; and challenges for the future of scientific innovation.

https://spp.gatech.edu/abe

A new initiative of the Abe Fellowship Program, the Abe Fellows Global Forum (Abe Global) is designed to bring Abe Fellow research and expertise on pressing issues of global concern to broader audiences. Abe Global will host several events each year in partnership with academic and civic organizations throughout the United States. The Abe Fellowship Program is a partnership between the Social Science Research Council and the Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership.

Opening Remarks

The Honorable Takashi Shinozuka
Consul General of Japan in Atlanta

Jacqueline Royster
Ivan Allen College of Liberal Arts, Georgia Institute of Technology

Junichi Chano
The Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership

Keynote

Takahiro Ueyama
| 2000 Fellow
Council for Science, Technology, and Innovation, Cabinet Office, Japan
National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS)

Panelists

Kathryn Ibata-Arens
| 2004 Fellow
Political Science, Global Asian Studies Program, De Paul University

Masaru Yarime
| 2014 Fellow
Division of Public Policy, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

John P. Walsh
| 2005 Fellow
School of Public Policy, Georgia Institute of Technology

Chairs

Kaye Husbands Fealing
School of Public Policy, Georgia Institute of Technology

Brian Woodall
| 1992 Fellow
Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, Georgia Institute of Technology