

## The 11th Kobe University Brussels European Centre Symposium Green Horizons, Sustainable Futures: EU and Japan Research for Climate-Prepared, Resilient Societies

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VENUE	Vrije Universiteit Brussel Conference Centre, U-Residence, Bld Général Jacques 271, 1050 Brussels
8:15-9:00	REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE
9:15-10:00	OPENING ADDRESSES ROOM FUJI
Moderator	Introduction by the Moderator, Ken-ichi Yoshida, Kobe University
Speakers	<ul> <li>Prof. Masato Fujisawa, President, Kobe University (by video link)</li> <li>Prof. Caroline Pauwels, Rector, Vrije Universiteit Brussel</li> <li>H.E. Yasushi Masaki, Ambassador of Japan to the European Union</li> <li>Ms. Signe Ratso, Deputy Director-General, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission</li> </ul>
10:00-10:30	KEYNOTE SPEECHROOM FUJI
Introduction	Tamotsu Nakamura, Executive Vice-President, Kobe University
Keynote	Understanding the Metabolism of the Economies – Towards a Green Economy Prof. Paulo Ferrão, Centre for Innovation, Technology and Policy Research, Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisbon University, President of the COST Association. Member of the Horizon Europe Mission Board <i>Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities</i> . Author of <i>Sustainable Urban Metabolism</i> (MIT Press, 2013) and <i>Urban</i> <i>Metabolism of Six Asian Cities</i> (Asian Development Bank, 2014)
Response	Romain Meeusen, Vice-Rector, Vrije Universiteit Brussel
10:30-13:30	MORNING PARALLEL SESSIONS
10:30-13:30	PARALLEL SESSION 1: 'TOWARDS A GLOBAL GREEN ECONOMY' ROOM NIKKO
Joint Producers	Kenji Takeuchi, Kobe University Bernard Siman, O.B.E., VUB and Egmont Institute
10:30-11:50	Theme 1: The Climate Conundrum: WTO Rules or UN Climate Commitments?
Moderator Speakers	Kenji Takeuchi, Kobe University         Bernard Siman, O.B.E., Vrije Universiteit Brussel and Egmont Institute         Conflict between World Trade and Climate Commitments: Top Policy Priority         Kenji Takeuchi, Kobe University         Resilience of the World Trade to Climate Disasters         Kevin Verbelen, AGORIA and Brussels Diplomatic Academy         Carbon Border Adjustment Measure: a Business Perspective
11:50-12:10	Coffee and networking break
12:10-13:30	Theme 2: The Perfect Storm: Building Economic Resilience in Overlapping Crises
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10:30-13:30	PARALLEL SESSION 2: 'BREAKTHROUGH TECHNOLOGIES FOR CLIMATE SOLUTIONS' ROOM FUJI
Joint Producers	Minoru Mizuhata, Kobe University Yoshiyuki Kajikawa, Kobe University and RIKEN Maitane Berecibar VUB
10:30-11:25	Theme 1: Advances in Climate Science
Moderator	Minoru Mizuhata, Kobe University
Speakers	Yoshiyuki Kajikawa, Kobe University and RIKEN Challenge to the New Generation Computational Climate Science Research Giridharan Renganathan, University of Kent Urban Climate – Field Experiment and Modelling Studies on Urban Heat Island to Urban Albedo Miriam Pfeiffer, Kiel University Climate Past and Present: Corals as Monitors of Past and Current Tropical Climate Variability
11:25-11:45	Coffee and networking break
11:45 -13:30	Theme 2: Key Technologies for a Carbon-neutral Environment
Moderator	Yoshiyuki Kajikawa, Kobe University and RIKEN
Speakers	Takashi Kita, Kobe University Industry-Government-Academia Collaborations for SDGs Michel Cassir, ParisTech, PSL-Research University CO <sub>2</sub> Capture and Valorisation in Molten Carbonate-based Electrolytes Minoru Mizuhata, Kobe University CO <sub>2</sub> Separation and Absorption: Research Breakthroughs Noriko Shisa, Director, Technology Research Planning, Toyota Motors Europe Sustainable Mobility - Towards Carbon Neutrality Maitane Berecibar, VUB The Batteries of the Future
10:30-13:30	PARALLEL SESSION 3: 'ENABLING RESILIENT, CLIMATE-PREPARED SOCIETIES' ROOM KOYA
Joint Producers	Masayuki Sato, Kobe University Leo Van Audenhove, VUB
10:30-11:50	Theme 1: Social Impact of Climate Change
Moderator	Masayuki Sato, Kobe University
Speakers	Karel Deneckere         Nuclear Power's Trembling Foundations: A Case Study of the Belgian Public Debate in the Aftermath of the Fukushima Nuclear Accident         Kazuhiro Ota, Kobe University         Climate Change's Impact on Poverty and Migration         Ginga Tamura, NHK-Television, Japan         Informing Public, Mobilizing Public Opinion: The Role of Mass-Media         Michel Claessens, Université Libre de Bruxelles         How Should Scientists Tackle Global Crises: The Climate Test-Case
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Moderator	Leo Van Audenhove, VUB
Speakers	Koen Borghys, VUB Monitoring Sustainable Development Goals: The Role of the Local Level in Brussels <u>Carina Veeckman, VUB</u> <u>Citizen Science for Environmental Monitoring and Policy: Best Practices</u> <u>Mieko Kiyono, Kobe University</u> <u>Adaptation to Climate Change: Community Resilience to Natural Disasters in Rural Area, JAPAN</u> <u>Marialena Nikolopoulou, University of Kent</u> <u>Outdoor Comfort as a Commodity; What does Thermal Resilience Mean under Climate Change?</u>
13:30-14:30	JAPANESE NETWORKING LUNCH FOYER

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