

A Forum on the restated OECD Jobs Strategy in Tokyo

Tokyo, Japan 30-31 October 2006

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Agenda

First day Monday 30 October	
10:00-10:15	Opening -Mr. Hirokazu Matsuno(Parliamentary Secretary for Health, Labour and Welfare) -Mr. John Martin(Director, Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD)
10:15-12:15	Morning Session “The restated OECD Jobs Strategy –what have we learned from the experiences of OECD countries” Chair: Kazumi Matsui(Assistant Minister for International Affairs, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, Japan) <u>Presentation(30min)</u> -Report on reassessment of the OECD Jobs Strategy Mr. Raymond Torres(Head, Employment Analysis and Policy Division, Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD) <u>Comments by discussants(45min)</u> -Prof. Junichi Goto(Kobe University) -Mr. Hiroyuki Matsui(Director, Labor Policy Bureau II, Nippon Keidanren) -Mr. Naoto Ohmi(Assistant General Secretary, Japanese Trade Union Confederation) <u>Questions and Answers</u>
12:15-13:45	Lunch break
	Afternoon Session “Policies to promote labour participation and demand” Chair: Mr. John Martin(Director, Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD)
13:45-15:15	Part1 “Promoting the effectiveness of activation strategies” <u>Presentations(30min)</u> -Dr. Akira Ono(President, The Japan Institute for Labour Policy and Training) -Mr. Bruce Whittingham(Group Manager, Department of Employment and Workplace Relations) <u>Discussion</u>

15:15-15:30	Coffee break
15:30-16:45	Part2 “Tackling obstacles to labour demand while addressing labour market duality” <u>Presentation(15min)</u> -Prof. Junichi Goto(Kobe University) <u>Discussion</u>
16:45-18:10	Roundtable “The relevance of Jobs Strategy to non-OECD countries” <u>Presentations(45min)</u> -China: Ms. Yan Di(Researcher Fellow, China Academy of Labour and Social Security) -Russia: Ms. Zharova Natalia Victorova(Head of the Division of Employment Policy, Ministry of Health and Social Development) -ILO: Mr. Duncan Campbell(Director of the Policy Integration Department, International Labor Office) <u>Discussion</u>
18:10-18:20	Synthesis of the day’s discussion -Mr. Kazumi Matsui(Assistant Minister for International Affairs, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, Japan) -Mr. John Martin(Director, Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD)
18:30-20:00	Reception

Second day	Tuesday 31 October
10:00-12:30	“Towards implementation of the restated OECD Jobs Strategy” Chair: Prof. Yoshio Higuchi(Keio University) <u>Chair’s introduction</u> <u>Presentation(45min)</u> -Mexico: Mr. Miguel Ruiz-Cabañas-Izquierdo(Ambassador, Embassy of Mexico in Japan) -Canada: Ms. Christina Caron(Chief, Labour Market Issues, Labour Market Policy, Human Resources and Social Development) -Japan: Mr. Yoshihiro Senoo(Assistant Director-General for International Affairs, International Affairs Division, Minister’s Secretariat, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare) <u>Discussion</u>
12:30-12:45	Chair’s Summary

	<p>Prof. Yoshio Higuchi(Keio University)</p> <p>Closing Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Mr. John Martin(Director, Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD)- Kazumi Matsui(Assistant Minister for International Affairs, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, Japan)
12:45	Closing Lunch