May 17 2021 - "Future of EU-Japan Regional Cooperation"

Moderator

Dr Virginie Fermaud, Coordinator of the EU-Japan Regional Cooperation Helpdesk

Welcome speech

Mr Christophe Guichard, Policy officer, DG Grow, European Commission

Mr Fabrizio Mura, Executive Advisor to the EU-side Managing Director, EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation

EU-Japan Regional Cooperation Helpdesk Consortium

Mr Olivier Becht, President CEEJA

Mr Masayuki Nankouin, Managing Director CLAIR

Mr Takuya Tasso, Governor Iwate Prefecture

Mr Hajime Furuta, Governor Gifu Prefecture

Mr Jan Maarten de Vet, Project Manager, European Cluster Collaboration Platform (ECCP)

EU-Japan Regional Cooperation Policies (Japanese and European regional policy makers)

Mr Yusuke Okano, Director of Planning Dept JETRO

Mr Hiroyuki Ito, "<u>Driving Innovation in Aichi"</u> Director General, Bureau of Economy and Indusrty, Aichi Prefecture

Mr Juraj Seman, "Territorial Diplomacy Conducted by Košice Region: Asian Journey" President's Executive Advisor for Foreign Affairs and Protocol Member of the Board of Advisors Member of the Committee of Tourism and Cross - Border Cooperation Kosice Self – Governing Region

Mr. Kazuhide Nomura, Associate Director, Life Sciences Industry Division, Growth Industry Promotion Office, Department of Commerce, Industry and Labor <u>"Evolving regional partnerships -Global strategic alliance"</u> Osaka Prefectural Government, BioHeadquarters

Trends of EU-Japan Regional Cooperation (Testimonies and news developments from the EU & Japan (Clusters Managers, European Regions and Japanese Prefectures)

Mr Romain Montini, Japan Mission Officer and Ms Alithéa LAFAYE, Project manager, "PIMAP+, a European project to foster cooperation with Japan in deep technology" - Alpha-RLH, France

Mr Shinichi Watahiki, "Building a bridge with European businesses - Ibaraki Prefectural Government is providing business matching support - " Executive Director for International Business, Department of Business Strategy Ibaraki Prefectural Government

Mr Stephanus Lintker, Head International Relations EnergyAgency.NRW, Germany

Mr Osamu Arakida, <u>Director, Industry Promotion Section, Economic Affairs Bureau</u>, City of Sendai

Ms Marthe Jewell <u>Communication Manager</u> - Vitagora Cluster, France

Ms Nahoko Furuta, <u>Tourism and International Affairs Adviser</u>, Gifu Prefectural Government

Panel discussion on best practices, challenges and opportunities regarding digital transformation and green transition

Mr Osamu Arakida, Director, Industry Promotion Section, Economic Affairs Bureau, City of Sendai

Stephanus Lintker, Head International Relations, -EnergyAgency.NRW, Germany

Ryoichi Fujisaki, Vice President, Japan Regional Activation ANA Strategic Research Institute Co., LtdAll Nippon Airways – ANA Strategic Research Institute Co., Ltd

Nahoko Furuta, Tourism and International Affairs Adviser, Gifu Prefectural GovernmentGifu Prefecture,

Isabelle Tovena Pecault, International and European Projects ManagerAlpha-RLH, France

Shinichi Watahiki, Department of Business Strategy, Executive Director for International Business Ibaraki Prefecture

Closing remarks

Dr Philippe de Taxis du Poet, Managing Director - EU Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation, Tokyo & Minister Counsellor – Delegation of the European Union to Japan

May 18 2021 - "Pitches & Matchmakings"

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Welcome speech

Mr Masanori Tsuruda, Director, Europe Division, Trade Policy Bureau, METI (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)

Mr Mr Fabrizio Mura, Executive Advisor to the EU-side Managing Director, EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation

Pitches

Mr Masahide Azuma, <u>Foundation for Biomedical Research and Innovation at Kobe</u> (FBRI)

Mr Christian Geltinge State of Bavaria - Japan Office, Germany

Mr. Hiroyuki Matsumoto, Kanagawa Prefecture

Ms Takako Uchida BusinessOulu, Finland

Mr Shinichiro Oe Hyogo Prefecture

Mr Joao Luis de Miranda HERA Incubator, Portugal

Matchmaking session