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JAPANESE-GERMAN CENTER BERLIN (JDZB)  
CONTEMPORARY ASIA RESEARCH CENTER AT MILAN UNIVERSITY**

**TENTATIVE PROGRAM**

for the conference  
**EU-Japan Cooperation in Science and Innovation**  
Friday, June 15, 2007  
at the University of Milano  
Sala di Rappresentanza; Via Festa del Perdono, 7

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*Friday, June 15*

08.45 h      *Registration*

09.00 h      **Welcome**

Prof. Dr. Gianpiero SIRONI (Vice Rector University of Milan),  
Consul General AZUMA Hiroshi (Consul General of Japan, Milan)  
Dr. Friederike BOSSE (Secretary General, JDZB)  
Prof. Dr. David COPE (Chairman, EJEA; Director of the Parliamentary Office of  
Science and Technology, UK Houses of Parliament), t.b.c.  
HIRAI Masahiro (Director General JETRO, Milan)

09.30 h      **Key-note addresses**

Chair: Dr. Wolfgang BRENN (EJEA/JDZB)

09.30 h      **Key note addresses:**

**Why the EU and Japan matter in science and innovation**

Prof. Dr. Charalambos (Babis) SAVAKIS (Senior Advisor of the European Research  
Council / Imperial College London)

**Innovation by Industry/Academia/Government, and International Collaboration  
- Fusion of Cutting-edge technology, Traditional culture, and Arts -**

Prof. MATSUSHIGE Kazumi (Vice President of Kyoto University, Director of Kyoto  
University Innovation Organization)

10.10 h      **Framework and Fields of Cooperation – What has been achieved**

Chair: Dr. Thomas SCHRÖDER (German Embassy Tokyo)

**Bilateral and EU-Japan cooperation in science and innovation – An overview**  
(Prof. Dr. TANAKA Yasuo, Director JSPS Bonn Office, asked)

**Japan and the framework programme**

NN (European Commission, asked)

**Examples and best practice**

- **E-learning**: Prof. Dietrich ALBERT (Graz University)/Prof. OKAMOTO Toshio (Univ. of  
Electro-communication, Tokyo)

- **Joint Graduates Schools as an driving force for academic cooperation** (Prof. Dr.  
Gesine FOLJANTY-JOST, Halle-Wittenberg University)

- **Joint graduate school Muenster University-Nagoya University:** Prof. Dr. Gerhard ERKER, asked

- **Successful examples of European-Japanese collaboration in the study of earthquake and tsunami phenomena**

Prof. Dr. Gerassimos PAPADOPOULOS (Institute of Geodynamics  
National Observatory of Athens)

12.00 h **Q&A**

12.30 h *Lunch*

13.30 h **Working Together: Prospects for EU-Japan cooperation in science, technology and innovation**

Chair: Dr. Axel BERKOFISKY (University of Milan)

**How can Japan and the EU improve cooperation?**

Prof. NAGANO Hiroshi (Japan Science and Technology Agency)

**Research, innovation and industry**

NN (European Industry)

**Science and technology at the service of non-proliferation and global security: which contribution from Japan and Europe?**

Prof. Dr. Jean-Pierre CONTZEN (Chairman of the Board of Directors Karman Institute of Fluid Dynamics, Brussels; Special Adviser to the Minister for Science, Technology and Higher Education of Portugal)

14.30 h **Q&A**

15.00 h *Coffee break*

15.15 h **Sectors worth to be strengthened, case studies (e.g. nano technology, life sciences, fine chemicals etc)**

Dr. Thomas SCHRÖDER (overview over strengths and weaknesses in Japanese research), German Embassy Tokyo

Prof. Paolo MILANI (nano-technology), Milan University

NN (Toshiba Corp. Europe), asked

Jörn KECK (former Head of EC Delegation to Japan) on: EU-Japan cooperation for enhancement of Energy efficiency in Asia

Dr. Martin SCHULZ/Dr. JIN Jianmin (Fujitsu Research Institute): Innovation and Basic Research in Japan and Europe, t.b.c.

Prof. Stefano MAIORANA (fine chemicals), University of Milan

17.00 h **Final Discussion: Options for EU-Japan cooperation in a changing global environment for research and innovation**

Chair: Prof. Carlo FILIPPINI, Bocconi University, Milano

18.00 h End of conference

*Saturday, June 16*

10.00 h **EJEA Members Meeting**