

2026 ATCM Antarctic Governance Seminar

Peace and Science in Antarctica: A Message from Hiroshima

Date:

10 May 2026

Venue:

Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum

-  **Opening** [00:00:00]
Satoshi Imura, Vice Director-General, National Institute of Polar Research (NIPR), Japan
Akiho Shibata, Director, Polar Cooperation Research Centre (PCRC), Kobe University
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-  **Message from the Mayor of City of Hiroshima** [00:05:19]
Kazumi Matui, read by Fumika Iwama, doctoral student, Kobe University
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-  **Panel 1: Science and Environment** [00:09:23]
Chair **Hyoung Chul Shin**, President, Korea Polar Research Institute (KOPRI)
Panelists **Ceisha Poirot**, Chair, Committee for Environmental Protection (CEP), New Zealand
TANAKA Eiji, Ministry of the Environment, Japan
José Carlos Caetano Xavier, Co-convenor, Education & Outreach Workshop, Portugal
Yeong Jun Choi, KOPRI, Republic of Korea
Patricia Cavalcanti, Agenda Antarctica, Argentina
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-  **Panel discussion** [01:05:58]
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-  **Panel 2: Governance and Peace** [00:00:00]
Chair **Akiho Shibata**, Kobe PCRC
Panelists **Evan Bloom**, US lead for Antarctic diplomacy 2006-2020
Mirjam Hoogendam, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Netherlands
Kezban Akkurt, Ministry of Industry and Technology, Türkiye
Patrick Flamm, Peace Research Institute Frankfurt, Germany
Yuuki Tokuda, Hitotsubashi University, Japan
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-  **Panel discussion** [00:46:56]
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-  **Concluding session** [01:10:27]
Keyong Chung, Special Representative for ATCM, Republic of Korea
Satoshi Imura, **Akiho Shibata**, **Hyoung Chul Shin**