

Rovaniemi Workshop on the Review of Japan's Arctic Policy: Final Programme (as of September 20).

The purpose of this workshop is to receive comments and feedback from international experts on the "Analysis Table" on the review of Japan's Arctic Policy prepared by the Japanese team towards the drafting of a 20-page Policy Paper as its final outcome. Japanese team appreciates from the international experts if there are any major points missing in our analysis, any issues needed more explanation or research, any questions as to the significance of the practice cited, and, most importantly, how we can streamline and focus our examination into a concise yet effective Policy Paper when drafting stage starts after the Rovaniemi workshop.

Day 1: September 20 (Fri):

14:00 – 14:30 *Opening:* Timo Koivurova and Akiho Shibata

Welcome: Ambassador Petteri Vuorimäki, Arctic Ambassador of Finland, Finnish SAO

Welcome message: Ambassador OKADA Takashi, read by NAGANO Shinichi, Researcher,
Economic Section, Embassy of Japan in Finland

Presentations and comments in the following setting:

On each of the themes, a brief presentation from the Japanese team (5 min) –Comments from designated experts (15 min), followed by Q&A (10 min)

(1) 14:30 – 15:00 The Rule of Law

Presenters: Akiho Shibata, Fumika Iwama

Designated commentators: Timo Koivurova, Betsy Baker (online)

(2) 15:00 – 15:30 Science Diplomacy

Presenter: Akiho Shibata

Designated commentators: Rasmus Bertelsen (online), Gosia Smieszek-Rice (online)

15:30-16:00 General discussion

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break

(3) 16:30 – 17:00 Security

Presenter: Fujio Ohnishi (online)

Designated commentators: Rasmus Bertelsen (online), Timo Koivurova

(4) 17:00 – 17:30 Collaboration with Indigenous peoples

Presenter: Yuko Osakada,

Designated commentators: Kamrul Hossain

(5) 17:30 – 18:00 Protection of Arctic environment and ecosystem

Presenter: Hitomi Kimura

Designated commentator: Katharina Heinrich

19:00 – 21:00 Dinner session: Arctic Restaurant, 18 Valtakatu 96200 Rovaniemi

Day 2 September 21 (Sat):

(6) 9:00 – 9:30 Arctic Council and other bilateral/multilateral cooperation

Presenter: Osamu Inagaki

Designated commentator: Gosia Smieszek-Rice (online)

(7) 9:30 – 10:00 Northern (Arctic) Sea Routes

Presenter: Yurika Ishii (online)

Designated commentators: Dan-bi Um, Pavel Tkach

(8) 10:00 – 10:30 Sustainable (economic) development

Presenter: Yurika Ishii (online)

Designated commentators: Dan-bi Um, Adam Stepien

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

(9) 11:00 – 11:30: Central Arctic Ocean Fisheries Agreement:

Presenter: Kentaro Nishimoto

Designated commentator: Betsy Baker (online)

(10) 11:30 – 12:00 Comparison with other Arctic policies/strategies:

Presenter: Osamu Inagaki

Designated commentators: Medy Dervovic, Dan-bi Um

12:00 – 12:30 General discussion and a way forward

12:30 Closing: Timo Koivurova and Akiho Shibata

September 24 (Tue) – 25 (Wed): 17 Polar Law Symposium

Seminar: “Japan’s Arctic Policy: A decade of implementation and its future improvements”

List of participants and guest speakers

Guest speaker at Workshop

Petteri Vuorimäki, Arctic Ambassador of Finland and Senior Arctic Official

NAGANO Shinichi, Researcher, Economic Section, Embassy of Japan in Finland

International Expert Commentators

Betsy Baker, Baker Arctic Consulting, USA (online)

Rasmus Bertelsen, Professor, UiT, Norway (online)

Romain Chuffart, Nansen Professor, University of Akureyri, Iceland

Medy Dervovic, Ph.D. candidate, Reykjavik University, Iceland

Katharina Heinrich, Junior Researcher, Arctic Centre, University of Lapland, Finland

Kamrul Hossain, Director, Northern Institute for Environmental and Minority Law, University of Lapland, Finland

Minsu Kim, Deputy President, Korea Maritime Institute (KMI), Republic of Korea (excused)

Timo Koivurova, Research Professor, University of Lapland, Finland

Margozata Smieszek-Rice, Postdoctoral Researcher, UiT, Norway (online)

Adam Stepien, Researcher, Arctic Centre, University of Lapland, Finland

Pavel Tkach, Junior Researcher, Arctic Centre, University of Lapland, Finland

Dan-bi Um, Senior Researcher, Ocean Economy Strategy Department, KMI, Republic of Korea

Discussants from Arctic Centre, University of Lapland

Irene Ballesteros, Visiting Researcher

Nadezhda Filimonova, Post Doctoral Researcher

Medes Malaihollo, visiting researcher, Ph.D. candidate, University of Groningen, The Netherlands

Krittika Singh, Ph.D. candidate

From ArCS II project:

Kentaro Nishimoto, Professor, NIPR/Tohoku University, Research Director, ArCS II Strategic Goal 4.

Akiho Shibata, Professor, Kobe University, Principal Investigator, ArCS II Research Program on
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Fujio Ohnishi, Associate Professor, Hokkaido University, Principal Investigator, ArCS II Research
Program on International Relations (online)

Yuko Osakada, Professor, Chuo University

Yurika Ishii, Associate Professor, National Defense Academy (online)

Hitomi Kimura, Associate Professor, Otsuma Women's University

Osamu Inagaki, Researcher, Kobe University

Fumika Iwama, LL.M. candidate, Kobe University

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