The United Nations University (UNU) will be organizing a symposium on Implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development to be held on 6 November 2015 at UNU Headquarters in Tokyo. This event is part of a series of events celebrating 40 years of UNU academic work.

This year, UN Member States adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), reaching an agreement to steer the global community towards a sustainable future. At this symposium scholars, policymakers, practitioners and the public will discuss the challenges of implementing this ambitious plan and achieving the SDGs.

Discussions will explore how the many and varied stakeholders in this global effort can effectively collaborate, focusing on financing for development, linkages between science and policy, new partnerships between the public and private sectors, and lessons drawn from the experience of implementing the previous UN development agenda — the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), over the last 15 years. As a policy think tank for the United Nations, UNU will play an important role in this effort, and this symposium will provide a valuable opportunity to engage different perspectives on achieving the goals.

Among the distinguished speakers at the symposium will be Prof. Johan Rockström (Director of the Stockholm Resilience Centre), and Dr. Naoko Ishii (CEO and Chairperson of the Global Environmental Facility).

For more information and the event programme, please visit the event page on the UNU website: http://unu.edu/events/upcoming.

This event will be in English and Japanese.

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