



The 8th International Forum for Sustainable Asia and the Pacific - ISAP2016 ***"Translating Knowledge into Actions towards 2030 and beyond"***

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Hayama, Japan (13 June 2016) – On 12-13 July, the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES) and the United Nations University Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS) will host the 8th International Forum for Sustainable Asia and the Pacific (ISAP) 2016 in Yokohama, under the theme of *"Translating Knowledge into Actions towards 2030 and beyond"*

Diverse and influential leaders, experts and practitioners will consider and advance key discussions on ISAP2016's two main themes of climate change and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), as they relate to Asia and the Pacific.

This regional forum will feature renowned international experts, including: **Prof. Laurence Tubiana** (keynote speaker), Special Representative for the 2015 Paris Climate Conference; **Mr. Kaveh Zahedi**, Deputy Executive Secretary for Sustainable Development, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP); **Mr. Rintaro Tamaki**, Deputy Secretary-General, The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); **Prof. Hans Joachim Schellnhuber**, Director, Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK); **Mr. Masashi Mori**, Mayor of Toyama City; and **Prof. Hironori Hamanaka**, Chair of the IGES Board of Directors, and other leading key speakers.

Registration is now open to all participants, including those from governments, development agencies, universities, research institutes, the private sector and civil society organisations, and the media. Please note that proceedings on the days of the forum, including the Keynote Dialogue, Plenary sessions and Sub-Plenary sessions, will be available to view via a live feed, using the following links.

ISAP2016 Livestreaming Channel on YouTube:

- DAY1 (12 July 2016) http://tiny.cc/isap2016_en
- DAY2 (13 July 2016) http://tiny.cc/isap2016_en_day2

Background:

The international community achieved two historic agreements in the field of sustainable development: one is the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and the other is the "Paris Agreement" to deal with climate change, as a result of long-standing international negotiations. ISAP2016 will invite discussions on how we can ensure effective implementation of these two agreements at international, national and local/community levels, under the theme of *"Translating Knowledge into Actions towards 2030 and beyond"* to promote sustainable actions going forward.

For the latest agenda, visit: www.iges.or.jp/isap/2016/en/

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When: Tuesday and Wednesday, 12 to 13 July 2016

Where: PACIFICO YOKOHAMA Conference Center 5F, 1-1-1 Minato Mirai, Nishi-ku, Yokohama 220-0012, Japan

Dedicated ISAP site: www.iges.or.jp/isap/2016/en/

Deadline for registration: 30 June 2016

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