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# Science and the Sustainable Development Goals

**DATE + TIME:** Saturday, 15 November 2014, 14:00–16:45

**VENUE:** **Roppongi Academyhills, Tokyo**  
Roppongi Hills Mori Tower 49F, 6-10-1 Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo 106-6149

**ORGANIZERS:** The United Nations University Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS), Tokyo Institute of Technology, and the POST2015 Project

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You are cordially invited to attend the symposium **Science and the Sustainable Development Goals**, featuring keynote speeches by H.E. Ambassador Csaba Kőrösi, the Co-Chair of the Open Working Group (OWG) on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and Dr. Mark Stafford Smith, the Chair of the Future Earth Science Committee. This event will be held at Roppongi Academyhills in Tokyo, starting at 2:00 PM on 15 November.

Scientists were crucial in providing important recommendations at the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development in 2012 (Rio+20), and they continue to contribute to the post-2015 development agenda process at the OWG meetings. However, the role of scientists and scientific communities does not end with these inputs. These actors will be necessary to shape the SDGs at global, national, and local levels to help integrate sustainability concerns into other decisions. Furthermore, implementation, monitoring, and reassessment of the SDGs will require continual engagement with science and scientific communities.

Ambassador Kőrösi and Dr. Smith will discuss the SDGs and the post-2015 development agenda processes, including scientific inputs at the OWG meetings and suggestions ahead. The keynote speeches will be followed by a panel discussion and an interactive session with the audience, during which participants are encouraged to engage with the speakers and exchange views.

Simultaneous Japanese–English interpretation will be provided for this symposium.

For further details, or to register to attend, please see the event announcement on the UNU-IAS website: <http://ias.unu.edu/en/events/upcoming/science-and-the-sustainable-development-goals.html>

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