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# **UNU to Host Four Public Seminars with Shibuya Ward in July**

**EVENT:** UNU Shibuya Seminar Series: "International Cooperation and Development"  
**DATE + TIME:** Thursdays in July; 4, 11, 18 and 25 July 2013, 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM  
**VENUE:** United Nations University Headquarters, Tokyo  
**ORGANIZERS:** United Nations University (UNU) and Shibuya City Office

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Since 2003, UNU has been jointly organizing an annual series of public seminars with the Shibuya City Office. The seminars are intended to provide opportunities for lifelong learning to the residents of Shibuya as well as those who work and study in the ward. This year's seminars will be held on four consecutive Thursday evenings in July at the UNU Headquarters Building.

The fifth Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD V), held on 1–3 June 2013, had discussions from various aspects of economy, society and peace, with a focus on Africa's growth under the general TICAD V theme of "Hand in hand with a more dynamic Africa". The 2013 UNU Shibuya Seminar Series will address these important topics and other relevant issues through four lectures by experts and scholars.

Scheduled lectures include:

- 4 July:** "Japanese Initiatives for Agricultural Development in African Savanna", by Dr. Osamu Ito, Senior Research Fellow, UNU-ISP
- 11 July:** "Agriculture, Food Security and Nutrition in Africa: From Outcome of TICAD V", by Mr. Masato Ito, Director, Liaison Office in Japan, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
- 18 July:** "ESD in Africa: From Outcome of TICAD V", by Mr. Kazuhiko Takemoto, Programme Director, UNU Institute of Advanced Studies (UNU-IAS), and Senior Researcher, Integrated Research System for Sustainability Science (IR3S), and Dr. Abel Atiti, Research Fellow, UNU-IAS
- 25 July:** "Africa's Development and the Role of Japan", by Dr. Obijiofor Aginam, Senior Academic Programme Officer, UNU-ISP

The 4 and 11 July lectures will be presented in Japanese only. Simultaneous English–Japanese interpretation will be provided for the 18 and 25 July lectures.

Media representatives are cordially invited to attend.

Further details are available at <http://isp.unu.edu/events/2013/unu-public-seminars.html>.

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