

TICAD Higher Education Seminar

The Role of Universities in Africa's Sustainable Development

Date: Sunday, June 2, 2013

Venue: Annex Hall, Pacifico Yokohama
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Organizers: United Nations University Institute for Sustainability and Peace (UNU-ISP)
African Development Bank , Global Leadership Initiative, Graduate
Program in Sustainability Science (GPSS), The University of Tokyo Ministry
of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology Japan

Language: English-Japanese simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

Overview

Since 2008, UNU-ISP has worked with leading African universities to explore the possibility of jointly establishing a postgraduate program on sustainable development in Africa to shape new generation of professional to face the challenges of Africa's sustainable development with the financial support from Japanese government. After three years of solid work by the African partner universities, cooperating Japanese and European universities and international organizations, the project now has elaborated Masters-level education programmes on Integrated Rural Development, Sustainable Urban Development and Management of Mineral Resources, which will be initiated in 2013 and 2014.

In the seminar, representatives from AfDB and the University of Tokyo and Vice Chancellors from University of Zambia and Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology will share their perspectives and experience on the role of universities for sustainable development and exchange their views on innovative ways to achieve sustainable development in Africa through higher education.

Programme

12:30-12:45	<p>Opening Remarks</p> <p>Dr. David Malone, Rector, United Nations University,</p> <p>Mr. Masahiro Kan, Executive Director, African Development Bank, Japan(TBC)</p> <p>Representative from Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (TBC)</p>
12:45-13:55	<p>Panel: The Role of Universities for Sustainable Development</p> <p>Keynote Remark: Prof. Stephen Simukanga, Vice Chancellor, University of Zambia</p> <p>Prof. William Otoo Ellis, Vice Chancellor, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology</p> <p>Dr. Agnes Soucat, Director for Human Development, African Development Bank (TBC)</p> <p>Prof. Takashi Mino, Professor, Department of Environmental Studies, Graduate School of Frontier Sciences, The University of Tokyo</p> <p>Moderator: Prof Masafumi Nagao, ESDA Coordinator, United Nations University Institute for Sustainability and Peace</p>
13:55-14:00	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p>Prof. Kazuhiko Takeuchi, Senior Vice Rector, United Nations University.</p>