

## Policy Workshop on Japan-Kenya Relations



May 2014 Embassy of Japan

The Embassy of Japan in Kenya will hold a policy workshop on Japan-Kenya relations to advance the momentum enjoyed in 2013 in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

■ **Date:** 16th May (Friday)

■ Time: 2:30pm-5:00pm (venue opens at 2pm)

■ **Venue:** Main Hall of the Japan Information

and Culture Centre (JICC) at the Embassy of Japan

## **■** Tentative Program:

## **Opening Remarks**

(H.E. Tatsushi Terada, Ambassador of Japan)

## **Remarks by Guest Speaker**

(15min: Mr. Douglas Wakiihuri, Olympian)

Panel Discussion (45min Panel Discussion & 15min Q&A Session for each theme)

**Theme 1**: Overview of Japan-Kenya Bilateral Relations

Discussion Topics: History of bilateral relations, uniqueness of Japan's diplomacy

towards Kenya(/Africa), and exchanges of people and culture

Facilitator: Mr. Mikio Mori, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Japan

Panelists: Prof. Amb. Maria Nzomo, Director of the Institute of Diplomacy and

International Studies, University of Nairobi

Prof. Peter Kagwanja, Chief Executive, Africa Policy Institute Prof. Macharia Munene, United States International University

<Break: 15min>

**Theme 2**: Economic Cooperation

Discussion Topics: Tokyo International Conference on African Development, 60th

anniversary of Japan's ODA, and business relations

Facilitator: Mr. Hideo Eguchi, Chief Representative of Nairobi Office, Japan

International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

Panelists: Amb. Dennis Awori, Chairman of Toyota Kenya

Mr. Yoshiyuki Sato, Founder of Kenya Nuts Company

Mr. Denise Kodhe, Executive Director, Institute for Democracy and

Leadership in Africa (IDEA)

**Closing Remarks** (Amb. John Lanyasunya, Director of Asia and Australasia Directorate,

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Trade)

■ **Invitees:** The venue has the capacity of 90 people (plus standing room).

■ **Note:** Finger food will be provided during the break. Local media are invited for

press coverage.

■ **Registration:** Prior registration is required. Kindly send an email with your name and title to <u>jinfocul@nb.mofa.go.jp</u> or call 020-2898515. Make sure to bring your photo ID with you on the day of the workshop.

