

GRIPS-Mansfield Foundation Joint Seminar

Date: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 Time: 12:10-13:40

Venue: The National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), 1st Floor, Meeting Room 1AB

"U.S. Environmental Policy in the Trump Era"

トランプ政権におけるアメリカの環境政策

Speaker :

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Moderator:

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Description:

Sarah Watson, Environmental Engineer at the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Resource Conservation and Restoration Division, will give an overview of the environmental policymaking process in the United States, emphasizing the differing roles of governing bodies and highlighting environmental policy priority areas in recent years, especially with respect to international environmental agreements. Drawing from her experience as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Panama in Environmental Health, her academic studies in chemical engineering and sustainable development, and her career at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Ms. Watson will offer personal observations regarding some of the challenges currently facing our global environment, and will highlight the importance of U.S. and Japanese leadership and cooperation towards the resolution of these challenges.

Hirofumi Takada, a professor at The National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies, joined the Ministry of Home Affairs of Japan in 1983. He was a director in the Political Parties Office, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications in 2003. He taught at the Graduate School of International Cooperation Studies, Kobe University in 2004. In 2006 he became a professor at The National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies. He was a director in the Financial Management Division, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications in 2008. He served as the Counselor of Cabinet Secretariat (Regional Revitalization Bureau) in 2009, also as the Secretary-General for the National Commission for the Management of Political Funds, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications in 2011. Since 2013 he has been a professor at The National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies.

*Language: English

*Admission: Free

*Please bring your own lunch.

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The National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies

GRIPS was established in October 1997, superseding the Graduate School of Policy Science (GSPS) at Saitama University, which was the first graduate school for Policy Studies in Japan. GRIPS is a government-sponsored graduate school and research institute which has been restructured into an entirely new and unique entity. GRIPS aims to be an international center of excellence for the education of future leaders in the policy arena, for the advancement of policy research, and for the systematic collection and dissemination of policy-related information. In order to accomplish these aims, a Graduate School, a Policy Research Center and a Policy Information Center have been established. GRIPS is the first graduate school without facilities for undergraduates in Japan in the wider disciplines of social science. GRIPS is located in Roppongi, Tokyo, with easy access to the political and business headquarters of Japan.

The degree programs are designed to attract outstanding students and thoroughly prepare them for distinguished careers in policy setting. After a period of thorough preparation since its foundation in 1997, GRIPS welcomed its first domestic students in April 2000, followed six months later by the first international students. About two-thirds of the student-intake of GRIPS consist of international students coming from over sixty countries in Asia, Africa and Eastern Europe. Our students normally have three to five years working experience for governments, central banks, custom offices or other relevant organizations. The International Programs at GRIPS are conducted solely in English, while Domestic Programs are taught in Japanese.

GRIPS aims to be the center of a consortium, consisting of industry, government and academia, for the exchange of information, ideas and personnel among graduate schools, government-related institutes and private research institutes in Japan. In addition, through its international faculty, student body and alumni, and by promoting international exchange of policy research and information, GRIPS aims to establish an international network among academics and government officials in the field of policy studies, contributing to the promotion of a better understanding among peoples around the world in an age of globalization.

The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation

The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation was created in 1983 to advance Maureen and Mike Mansfield's life-long efforts to promote understanding and cooperation among the nations and peoples of Asia and the United States. The Foundation sponsors exchanges, dialogues and publications that create networks among U.S. and Asian leaders, explore the underlying issues influencing public policies, and increase awareness about the nations and peoples of Asia. The Mansfield Foundation's geographic focus is Northeast Asia and India as it relates to that region. The Foundation receives support from individuals, corporations and philanthropic organizations. It also provides support to The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center at the University of Montana.

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The Mansfield Fellowship Program - named after Mike Mansfield, former U.S. ambassador to Japan, U.S. Senate majority leader, and U.S. congressman from Montana - is a first-of-its-kind program for the United States and Japan. The U.S. Congress created the Mansfield Fellowships in 1994 to build a corps of U.S. federal government employees with proficiency in the Japanese language and practical, firsthand knowledge about Japan and its government. During the one-year program in Japan, Fellows develop an in-depth understanding of Japan's government and policymaking process and establish relationships with their counterparts in the government of Japan and the business, professional and academic communities. The Mansfield Fellowships are administered by the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation, with the United States Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, as grantor.

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