



# KOMEX Open Seminar @ U-Tokyo

## “Working Together to Protect the Global Environment: Seeking the Wisdom of Multilateralism”

### Program

2:00 PM **Opening Remarks:**

**Masakazu Sugiyama**, Director and Professor, RCAST, U-Tokyo

#### Session 1

2:05 PM **Keynote Address:**

**Jean-Eric Paquet**, Ambassador of the European Union to Japan

[Discussant] **Hikaru Kobayashi**, Research Advisor, RCAST, U-Tokyo, Former Vice-Minister of the Environment

#### Session 2

2:40 PM **Panel Discussion: Revitalizing Multilateral Cooperation to Protect the Global Environment**

Panelists:

- **Eric-Hervé Ponthieu**, Visiting Professor, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, U-Tokyo
- **Shikibu Oishi**, Head of Division Climate Action and Energy, German Embassy Tokyo
- **Jiro Hiratsuka**, Director, Office of Climate Change Negotiation and Cooperation, Ministry of the Environment, Japan
- **Toshiko Chiba**, Specialist and Director for Climate Change, Bureau of Environment, Tokyo Metropolitan Government
- **Hiroyuki Tezuka**, Fellow, JFE Steel Corporation

[Facilitator] **Togo Uchida**, Secretary General, ICLEI Japan (ICLEI Local Governments for Sustainability Japan Office)

4:25 PM **Closing Remarks:**

**Hikaru Kobayashi**, Research Advisor, RCAST, U-Tokyo, Former Vice-Minister of the Environment

[Moderator] **Mayumi Matsumoto**, Visiting Associate Professor, KOMEX, U-Tokyo

## Monday, 16 February 2026

Time

PM 2:00 - 4:30 (Registration begins at PM 1:30)

Pre-registration  
Required

Venue

ENEOS Hall, Bld. #3-S, Komaba II Campus, RCAST, U-Tokyo  
4-6-1, Komaba, Meguro, TOKYO [Access | RCAST](#)

Registration

Free, <https://forms.gle/JP5VszsRwVW9vnHu5>

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