



**DEVELOPING ASIA: ACHIEVING INCLUSIVE AND
SUSTAINABLE GROWTH WITH SOUND FISCAL
MANAGEMENT**

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AGENDA

Wednesday, February 12

18:30-19:00 Welcome Cocktail Reception

(Venue: Edo Room, Main Building, Banquet Floor, Hotel New Otani)

19:00-21:00 Dinner

Welcome Remarks Shinichi Kitaoka, President, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
Changyong Rhee, Director, Asia and Pacific Department (APD), International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Thursday, February 13

8:30-9:00 Registration

9:00-9:10 Welcome Remarks Mitsuhiro Furusawa, Deputy Managing Director, IMF
Mutsuya Mori, Vice President, JICA

9:10-9:20 Opening Remarks Yoshiki Takeuchi, Vice Minister of Finance for International Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Japan

9:20-9:30 Photo Session

SESSION 1: Achieving Inclusive Growth and the SDGs – What Will it Cost and How to Ensure a Sustainable Approach?

9:30-10:45 Spending Needs for Achieving Selected SDGs

Moderator: Takuji Tanaka, IMF Executive Director for Japan
Presenter: Mercedes Garcia-Escribano, Deputy Division Chief, Fiscal Affairs Department, IMF

Discussants: Lkhagvasuren Byadran, Governor, Bank of Mongolia
Kapila Chaminda Senanayake Maddumage, Director General, Department of Fiscal Policy, Ministry of Finance, Sri Lanka

10:45-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-12:00 Invest More, Invest Better to Support the SDGs: Lessons from Universal Health Coverage

Moderator: Makoto Tobe, Senior Advisor, Human Development Department, JICA
Presenters: Saeda Makimoto, Executive Senior Research Fellow, JICA Research Institute

Mai Farid, Assistant Minister for Economic Justice and Executive Director of the Economic Justice Unit, Ministry of Finance, Egypt
Bounsathien Phimmaseh, Director, External Financial Division, Department of Finance, Ministry of Health, Lao P.D.R.

Discussants: Dalin Chhun, Deputy Director, Macroeconomic and Fiscal Policy, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Cambodia
Holger van Eden, Regional Public Finance Advisor, IMF Capacity Development Office in Thailand, IMF

12:00-13:15 *Lunch*

SESSION 2: Securing Fiscal and Debt Sustainability while Supporting Inclusive and Sustained Growth

13:15-14:15 Fiscal Components of a Sustainable and Inclusive Growth Agenda: Illustrations from South Asia and Broader Considerations

Moderator: Chikahisa Sumi, Director, IMF Office for Asia and the Pacific

Presenters: Andrew Hodge, Economist, APD, IMF
Jonathan Dunn, Deputy Head of Office, IMF Office for Asia and the Pacific

Discussants: Dasho Penjore, Governor, Royal Monetary Authority of Bhutan
Shohei Hara, Director General, South Asia Department, JICA
Ragnar Gudmundsson, IMF Resident Representative in Bangladesh

14:15-15:15 Public Finance Management Reforms: The State of Play in Asia

Moderator: Suguru Miyazaki, Senior Director, Credit Risk Analysis and Environmental Review Department, JICA

Presenters: Kensuke Tsuji, Director, Public Governance and Financial Management Team, Industrial Development and Public Policy Department, JICA
Holger van Eden, Regional Public Finance Advisor, IMF Capacity Development Office in Thailand, IMF

Discussants: Khurelbaatar Chimed, Minister of Finance, Mongolia
Wahyu Utomo, Senior Analyst of Government Expenditure and Financing Policy, Center for Budget Policy, Fiscal Policy Agency, Ministry of Finance, Indonesia

15:15-15:45 *Coffee Break*

SESSION 3: Roundtable Discussions and Concluding Remarks

15:45-16:45 Roundtable Discussions

Moderator: Changyong Rhee, Director, APD, IMF

Panelists: Mohammad Humayon Qayoumi, Minister of Finance, Afghanistan
Benjamin Estoista Diokno, Governor, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas
Nakhonsy Manodham, Deputy Director General, Monetary Policy Department, Bank of the Lao P.D.R.
Ryosuke Nakata, Chief Economist, JICA

16:45-17:00 Closing Remarks Tadashi Yokoyama, Senior Vice President, JICA
Changyong Rhee, Director, APD, IMF