

# 10<sup>th</sup> Cross-sectional Discussion Forum

Rediscover!!

## Japan from Inside and Outside

*What are the Japanese strengths and weaknesses?*

*How you define Japanese role and identity in the global society?*

*Crisis? Stagnation? Now is the time to create a space for discussion with people from all walks of life. You will find new perspective and passion to move Japan and yourself forward !!*

- Date : February 11<sup>th</sup> 2011
- Time : Registration Open 12:30  
Discussion Forum 13:00-18:00  
Reception 18:30-20:30
- Seating Capacity : 120 (Japanese: 60, Foreigner 60)
- Language : Japanese
- Application : Fill out the form on the website (<http://crossover21.net/>)
- Application Period : January 11<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> 2011
- Participation Fee: Discussion Forum 2,000 Yen (Foreigner 1,000 Yen)  
Reception 3,000 Yen
- Venue : **全林野会館 Plaza Forest**  
(7minutus walk from Myoga-dani (茗荷谷) station, Marunouchi Line)



### ! Attention !

- As the past Discussion Forum hosted by the Crossover21 received more applications than seating capacity, we will prioritize participants who can attend both discussion forum and reception.
- In the case of cancellation after Feb 7<sup>th</sup> (Mon), we will claim participation fee. As for absence without prior notice to the staff, we might turn down such a person's application for next events.
- Please send an e-mail [staff@crossover21.net](mailto:staff@crossover21.net) before Feb 6<sup>th</sup> (Sun), if you have to make a cancellation.



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## Themes of Group Discussion

- 120 participants will be assigned to one small group consisting of around 10 persons. Each small group focuses on a specific theme listed below under the concept of "Rediscover Japan from Inside and Outside".
- Each group has one facilitator who will present springboard for discussion and navigate group discussion.
- Member of each group will be decided by the staff in accordance with nationality, gender, occupation, along with the preferences shown by participants in the application from.

Issues for discussion		Facilitator
1	Great? Weird? Japanese work setting and way of working	Junichi Kawai (President, Blend Systems, corp)
2	How can Japanese universities attract the best and brightest from the world ?	Keiichi Higash (Graduate Student of Rikkyo Univ (major in physics))
3	What kinds of culture and tradition should we preserve for the future of our planet?	Mashiro Sato (Earth Summit 2012Japan, InterGreen, Financial Services Agency)
4	How can Japan create sustainable society with an international partnership?	Goichi Kawashima (Producer for sustainable society, Cabinet Office)
5	What roles should Japan play in the field of international security for the peace building in Asia and the world?	Shinya Kawada (Ministry of Defense)
6	How can we be a world class professional?	Yoichiro Ikeda (Ministry of Finance)
7	Can Japan export its infrastructure to the world?	Ryu Ohtani (National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology )
8	What are the strength and weaknesses of Japanese medical and social welfare system ?	Kenichi Tanaka (Beijing Longtou Clinic)
9	Are the Japanese obsessed by "Safety and Reassurance" too much?	Sosuke Tanaka (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry )
10	How can foreigners in Japan contribute to globalized Japan?	Jin Guihong (Consulting Firm)
11	What are Japanese strengths and weaknesses the you discovered after visiting to and departing from Japan	Yasuhiro "Xige" Kato (Tamagawa University, Brain Science Institute)
12		Kazumi Nakano (Financial Institution)

### International Performance Contest Please introduce your culture!

International performance contest where you can perform any cultural performance including dance, music, martial arts, traditional clothes and arts will be organized during the reception. If you are interested in to perform anything, please note so when you register or send an email at [recep.crossover21@gmail.com](mailto:recep.crossover21@gmail.com) .

## What's Crossover21?

- The Public-Private Partnership Network Crossover21 is a cross-sectoral network for pursuing better public policy created by volunteers from government, business and nonprofit.
- Since its establishment in the spring of 2002, the Crossover21 organized "Cross-sectoral Discussion Forum" with more than 100 participants every year as well as small study groups on various themes. The Crossover21 also provides networking opportunities through its web-discussion forum and e-mail list serve for members.
- The total number of people participated in the events of the Crossover21 is about 1,400. Its membership consists of 850 various professionals such as government officers, business persons, politicians, staff of NPOs/NGOs, staff of political parties, lawyers, accountants, university students, housewives, physicians, engineers, entrepreneurs and inventors.



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As a Deputy Director in the International Institutions Division, International Bureau, Ministry of Finance, he is currently in charge of designing collaboration between Japanese government and the World Bank Group for poverty alleviation and sustainable development.

After Graduated from Waseda University, he joined MoF in 2001, and worked for various issues such as budgeting, tax examination, financial regulation and response for the global financial crisis.

He got a master's degree of public policy in Harvard Kennedy School in 2008.

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私たちの身の回りにある様々な目に見えない「壁」をCross-overし、多様な「人財たち」がより良い社会の実現に向けて協働するきっかけを創り出す触媒、それが官民協働ネットワーク Crossover21 です。