



Making Connections

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Programme

Timing	Session	
Wednesday 11th February 2009 Pre-Event Reception		
18:30	Reception	Prince of Wales Suite, British Council, 10 Spring Gardens London SW1 2BN
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcome from Justin Gilbert, Regional Head (Overseas Operations), British Council ▪ Kampai from Professor Motoyuki Ono, President, Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) 	
20:30	Reception finishes	Return to hotels
Day One – Thursday 12th February 2009		
The Auditorium, The Commonwealth Club 25 Northumberland Avenue, London WC2N 5AP		
09:30	Registration of delegates The Auditorium, The Commonwealth Club	Chair Day 1 :Japanese chair (09:30-11:30) Professor Junko Hibiya , Vice President for Academic Affairs (International Christian University)
10:00-10:30 [plenary]	Welcome	Introduction from Chair ① Martin Davidson , Chief Executive, British Council ② Rachel Green , Deputy Director, Higher Education Strategy and Implementation Directorate, Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills (DIUS) ③ Professor Motoyuki Ono , President, JSPS ④ Hiroshi Yoshimoto , Director, University Promotion Division, Higher Education Bureau, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)
10:30-11:00 [plenary 1]	Overview of UK HE Policy and Challenges (provisional) - UK Keynote	Professor David Eastwood Chief Executive, Higher Education and Funding Council of England (HEFCE)
11:00-11:30 [plenary 2]	Japanese Challenges for Higher Education Reform in Recent Years - Japanese Keynote	Dr Tsutomu Kimura President, National Institution for Academic Degrees and University Evaluation(NIAD-UE)
11:30-11:50	Coffee	
11:50 (plenary)	Q & A on key note speeches and discussion on issues arising	Chair Day 1 :UK chair Professor Dominic Shellard , Pro Vice-Chancellor, University of Sheffield
12:30 [plenary]	Introductory presentations from	Japanese & UK speakers – 10 minutes each



	<p>leaders of 3 parallel strands</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Parallel session 1 The Contribution of HEIs to Regional Development ▪ Parallel session 2 Developing an Appropriate Curriculum for the workplace of the 21st Century ▪ Parallel session 3 The Internationalisation of Research 	<p>Parallel session 1 (Japan chair): Professor Tatsuya Sakamoto, Vice President for International Collaboration and Education (Keio University)</p> <p>Parallel session 2 (UK chair): Dr Mary Stiasny, Assistant Director, Learning and Teaching and International Strategy (Institute of Education, University of London)</p> <p>Parallel Session 3 (UK chair): Rama Thirunamachandran, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Keele University)</p>
13:00-14:00	Lunch	Outside of the Auditorium, The Commonwealth Club
Afternoon	Parallel working groups throughout	
14:00-15:10 (parallel session)	<p>Introduction and case studies 20 minutes each</p> <p>1. The Contribution of Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) to Regional Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can HEIs contribute to the economic and social revitalisation of their regions? • How do HEIs collaborate with regional governments and the private sector to achieve this? • What role can HEIs play in facilitating cooperation between regions in their respective countries <hr/> <p>2. Developing an Appropriate Curriculum for the Workplace of the 21st Century</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What knowledge and skills should students acquire through Higher education at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels to prepare for the workplace? How can these be defined and measured? 	<p>Group 1 – The Thorne Room, The Commonwealth Club</p> <p>Parallel session 1: The Contribution of HEIs to Regional Development Chair - (JPN) Professor Tatsuya Sakamoto, Vice President for International Collaboration and Education (Keio University)</p> <p>Presentation 1 UK: Cardiff University Professor Max Munday, Director, Welsh Economy Research Unit, Cardiff Business School</p> <p>Presentation 2 JPN: Nagoya Institute of Technology, Professor Nobuyuki Matsui, President</p> <p>Presentation 3 JPN: Kobe College, Dr Shinichiro Kawai, President</p> <p>Rapporteur: (JPN) Kyushu University, Professor Sachiyo Suita, Trustee / Vice President</p> <hr/> <p>Group 2 – The Craven Room, The Commonwealth Club</p> <p>Parallel session 2: Developing an appropriate curriculum for the workplace of the 21st Century Chair – (UK) Dr Mary Stiasny, Assistant Director, Learning and Teaching and International Strategy (Institute of Education, University of London)</p> <p>Presentation 1 UK: York St John University,</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can doctoral-level students be prepared for wider careers than academics? • What role can employers play in developing and delivering the curriculum? • What specific skills are needed to prepare students for the global workplace? How can international collaboration facilitate this? <hr/> <p>3. Internationalisation of Research</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What should be included in an international research strategy? • What are the key success factors? What are the main barriers? (case studies with specific reference to the Japan/UK context welcomed) • What can be done to remove barriers for international research collaboration between the UK and Japan at the policy and practice level? 	<p>Professor Stuart Billingham, Pro Vice-Chancellor Presentation 2 UK: Nottingham Trent University, Ann Priest Dean, School of Art and Design Presentation 3 JPN: Ritsumeikan University, Dr Kiyofumi Kawaguchi, President and Chancellor of the Ritsumeikan Trust</p> <p>Rapporteur: (UK) University of Portsmouth, Dr Simon Claridge, Dean, Faculty of Creative and Cultural Industries (JPN) Waseda University, Professor Katsuichi Uchida, Vice President (Promotion of Internationalisation)</p> <hr/> <p>Group 3 – The Auditorium, The Commonwealth Club</p> <p>Parallel session 3: The Internationalisation of Research Chair - (UK) Rama Thirunamachandran, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Keele University)</p> <p>Presentation 1 UK : University of Edinburgh Professor Igor Goryanin, School of Informatics Presentation 2 JPN: Tokyo Institute of Technology, Professor Ichiro Okura, Executive Vice President for Planning Presentation 3 JPN: Kyoto University, Dr Hiroshi Matsumoto, President</p> <p>Rapporteur: (UK) Aston University, Professor David Bennett, Aston Business School (JPN) University of Tsukuba, Satoshi Tanaka, Vice President</p>
15:10	Q and A	
15:30	Coffee	
16:00 (parallel session)	Impressions of visits to UK universities (response to the set themes provided to Japanese institutions during their visits to the UK universities)	<p>Parallel session 1: Kobe College, Keio University (The Thorne Room, The Commonwealth Club)</p> <p>Parallel session 2: Gifu University, Waseda University, Ritsumeikan University (The Craven Room, The Commonwealth Club)</p> <p>Parallel Session 3: Hitotsubashi University, University of Tsukuba (The Auditorium, The Commonwealth Club)</p> <p>*5 minutes one Japanese speaker per visit to UK university</p>
1615	Further general discussion I	
(parallel session)	General discussion Key themes and emerging themes for next day	



16:45 (parallel session)	Observations from Day 1 Round-up including observations and key issues	Rapporteurs (5-10 minutes)
17:00	Close of Day 1	
Transport to the Embassy of Japan in the UK to be arranged		
18:00	Japanese Ambassador & President of JSPS-hosted Reception	
20:00	CLOSE OF RECEPTION	
Day Two – Friday 13th February 2009 (all in plenary)		
The Auditorium, The Commonwealth Club 25 Northumberland Avenue, London WC2N 5AP		
09:30-9:45 [plenary]	Scene Setting for Day Two <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What we want to achieve • Our agenda for today 	Chair Day 2 (UK): Professor Paul Wellings , Vice-Chancellor, Lancaster University
09:45-10:15	Feedback on key issues emerging from three parallel groups the previous day	3 rapporteurs* *feedback to be provided by either or both rapporteurs, depending on the group
10:15-10:45	Q & A, followed by plenary discussion on three themes	
10:45-11:15 Coffee		
11:15-12:15 [plenary – discussion of how to take forward areas for collaboration	Taking things forward <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ What are the learning points from this event? ▪ Where are the main opportunities for future collaboration Summary of next steps	Chair (UK): Professor Paul Wellings , Vice-Chancellor, Lancaster University
12:15-12:30 [plenary]	Thank you and close	JPN : Dr Hiroshi Matsumoto , President, Kyoto University UK : Pat Killingley , Director Higher Education and Education UK, British Council
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch (Optional) Outside of the Auditorium, The Commonwealth Club	