

## Biography



**Mr. Masakazu  
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Chairman & CEO,  
Japan Economic  
Foundation (JEF)

**Masakazu Toyoda**, he currently serves as Chairman and CEO of the Japan Economic Foundation (JEF), as well as Special Advisor to the Institute of Energy Economics of Japan; an Adjunct Professor at Japan's National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS); and Director of the Pacific International Center for High Technology Research. He is the former Chairman and CEO of the Institute of Energy Economics (2010-2021); served also for nearly a decade on both the Board of Governors of the Oxford Institute of Energy Studies (2012-2021); and the International Advisory Board Council of the King Abdullah Petroleum Studies and Research Center (KAPSARC) in Saudi Arabia (2011-2019). During his distinguished government career, he served in numerous key positions within the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry of Japan culminating in his service as Vice Minister for International Affairs (2007- 2008). He also subsequently served as Secretary General of the Secretariat for Space Policy in Japan's Cabinet Secretariat. Mr. Toyoda holds a Master of Public Affairs degree from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University (1979), and an undergraduate Bachelor of Law degree from the University of Tokyo (1973).



**Mr. Shiro ARMSTRONG**

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**Shiro Armstrong** is economist and Associate Professor at the Crawford School of Public Policy at the Australian National University. He is Director of the Australia-Japan Research Centre, Editor of the East Asia Forum, Director of the East Asian Bureau of Economic Research and Research Associate at the Center on Japanese Economy and Business at the Columbia Business School. Shiro is also Visiting Scholar at the Research Institute of Economy, Trade and Industry and Visiting Associate Professor at Keio University.



**Dr. Craig EMERSON**

Managing Director,  
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**Dr Craig Emerson** is an eminent economist, holding a PhD in economics from the Australian National University, with 35 years of experience in public policy, politics and public service. He was Senior Adviser to Prime Minister Bob Hawke from 1986 to 1990 and, after entering parliament in 1998, went on to serve as Minister for Trade and Competitiveness, Minister for Tertiary Education, Skills, Science and Research, and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister on Asian Century Policy between 2010 and 2013. Dr Emerson is now Managing Director of Craig Emerson Economics, Chair of the Mckell Institute, an Adjunct Professor at Victoria University's College of Business, and writes a fortnightly column for The Australian Financial Review. He is also a member of CEDA's Council on Economic Policy.



**Amb. Murray McLEAN**

Chairman of  
Dunmore McLean Pty Ltd

**Murray McLean** is Chair, Foundation of Australian and Japanese Studies (NPO); a Fellow of the Australian Institute for International Affairs (since 2018); and Chairman of his family company, Dunmore McLean Pty Ltd. He was Chair, Australia Japan Foundation (2012-2020); a Vice Chancellor's Professorial Fellow at Monash University (2012-2015) and a non-resident Fellow at the Lowy Institute for International Policy (2014-2016). Formerly a senior officer of the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), he retired in 2012 after a 42 year career culminating in his role as Ambassador to Japan (2004-2011) initiating negotiations on the Japan/Australia EPA and on growing security cooperation as well as leading Australia's response to the earthquake, tsunami and nuclear disasters of 2011. Prior to that role, he served as Deputy Secretary of DFAT (2004); First Assistant Secretary, North Asia Division (2001- 2003), High Commissioner to Singapore (1997-2001); Assistant Secretary, East Asia Branch, (1992-1996), and Consul General, Shanghai (1987-1992). His other DFAT postings were at the Australian Embassy in Washington D.C. (1983-1986); the Australian Embassy in Beijing (twice) (1973-1976 and 1979- 1983) and in Hong Kong (1971-1973). In DFAT, he was consistently involved in the formulation of Australian policy towards Asia and also served as a special ministerial envoy on North Korean nuclear matters visiting North Korea on several occasions. He was appointed as an officer of the Order of Australia (AO) in the Australia Day Honours list 2013 and in November 2014, the Japanese Emperor presented him with the Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun.



**Dr. Prof. Choong  
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**Dr. Choong Yong Ahn** is currently a distinguished Professor at the Graduate School of International Studies, Chung-Ang University. Previously, he was Co-Chair of the Korea-India Strategic dialogue organized by the Seoul Forum and Korea Foundation, Chairman of the Korea Commission for Corporate Partnership, Chairman of the Presidential Regulatory Reform committee, presidentially appointed Foreign Investment Ombudsman, President of Korea Institute for International Economic Policy, and Chair of APEC Economic Committee. Dr. Ahn's honors include the Economist of the Year from the Mael Business Daily Newspaper, and Okita Policy Research Award by the National Institute for Research Advancement in Japan and free economy publication award by the Federation of Korea Industries.



**Datuk Seri Jayasiri  
JAYASENA**

Former Secretary General,  
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**Seri Jayasiri Jayasena** is the former Secretary General of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry, Malaysia. He joined the civil service in December 1981 as Assistant Secretary of International Affairs, Ministry of Primary Industries dealing with international commodity issues. He later assumed the post of First Secretary/ Counsellor in the Permanent Mission of Malaysia in Geneva from 1988 to 1997 representing Malaysia in the Uruguay Round of negotiations to establish the WTO.

He returned to MITI in 1997 and served in various positions. He was Malaysia's Senior Official to APEC from 2002 -2006. He assumed the post of Deputy Secretary- General, MITI, in charge of strategy and monitoring in January 2015 before serving as the Secretary-General from July 2016 until his mandatory retirement from civil service in May 2018. Throughout his career, he represented Malaysia in numerous international meetings and trade negotiations. He led Malaysia's team in the ASEAN-China FTA, Malaysia-Japan FTA, the TPPA and CPTPP negotiations. He was also deeply involved in many industry related issues and led the High-Level Task Force on the way forward for Malaysia to embrace Industry 4.0.



**Dr. Somkiat Tangkitvanich** obtained his PhD in Computer Science from Tokyo Institute of Technology. He has been recognized as a leading Thai expert in the areas of trade and investment policies, innovation policy, education policy and ICT policy. He was a main architect of Thai PBS, the first public television in Southeast Asia, and many media laws in Thailand. Under his leadership, TDRI is nominated “Person of the Year” in 2012 by the Bangkok Post.

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**Lauren Richardson** is Lecturer in the Department of International Relations and Director of the ANU Japan Institute. From 2018-2020 she was Director of Studies and Lecturer in the Asia Pacific College of Diplomacy at the Australian National University. Prior to that, Dr Richardson taught Northeast Asian Relations at the University of Edinburgh. Her research focusses on the role of non-state actors in shaping diplomatic interactions in Northeast Asia, particularly Japan-Korea relations. She is currently completing a book manuscript provisionally entitled *Reshaping Japan-Korea Relations: Transnational Advocacy Networks and the Politics of Redress*.





**Mr. Naoyuki  
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**Naoyuki Haraoka**, born in Tokyo in 1955. After graduating the University of Tokyo in 1978 (Bachelor of Economics), he joined MITI (Ministry of International Trade and Industry) of Japanese government. Having been posted in the industrial policy section and the international trade policy section for a few years, he was enrolled in a two year MPA (Master of Public Administration) programme at Woodrow Wilson School of Princeton University in the US on a Japanese government sponsorship. After having acquired MPA at Princeton, he rejoined MITI in 1984 as an economist. Since then he had been posted as Deputy Director and Director of a number of MITI divisions including Research Division of International Trade Policy Bureau. He was also posted in Paris twice, firstly, Principal Economist of Trade Bureau of OECD (Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development) from 1988 to 92 and secondly Counselor to Japanese Delegation of OECD from 1996 to 99.

After coming back to MITI from his second stay in Paris, at the occasion of the government structural reform in 2001 when MITI was remodelled as METI (Ministry of Economy Trade and Industry) he joined the efforts to found METI research institute, Research Institute of Economy Trade and Industry as its Director of Administration. He became Chief Executive Director of JETRO San Francisco in 2003 and stayed in San Francisco until 2006. He was Director-General of METI Training Institute from 2006 until July, 2007 when he left METI permanently and joined JEF as Executive Managing Director.



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**Yunling Zhang**, Professor and Academician of Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS). He is a member of National Committee of CPPCC. He is now President of Chinese Association for Asia-Pacific Studies, Vice President of China Committee of PECC, Director of Research Center for Regional Security.

He was Director General of Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, CASS (1993.11- 2007.8), Director General of Institute of Japanese Studies, CASS (co-current, 1995-2001). He served as a member of EAVG, China-ASEAN Cooperation Official Expert Group, Task Force of ASEM and Chairman of Joint Expert Group for Feasibility Study on EAFTA, and a Member of Joint Expert Group for Feasibility on CEPEA.



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**Yose Rizal Damuri** is the Executive Director, Centre for Strategic and International Studies. His research activities focus on international trade, regional integration and globalization of value chain. He received his PhD in International Economics from the Graduate Institute of International Studies, Geneva, Switzerland. He is active in many networks of research institutes in East Asia, such as in Asia Pacific Research Network on Trade (ARTNet) and ERIA Research Institute Network (ERIA-RIN) and Think 20, the think tank network of G20 countries. Currently he serves as the Co-Chair of Indonesia National Committee of Pacific Economic Cooperation (INCPEC). Yose is also active in various policy forum in Indonesia, including as the Research Coordinator of Indonesia Service Dialogue, a forum dedicated for the development of services sector in Indonesia.



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**Gary Hawke** was Head of the School of Government and Professor of Economic History at Victoria University of Wellington. He held visiting appointments at Stanford University, All Souls' College, Oxford, the Australian National University and a number of institutions in Japan. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of New Zealand, Distinguished Fellow of the NZ Association of Economists and Fellow of the Institute of Public Administration of New Zealand. He is a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit. He consults for government on education policy. As Director of the Institute of Policy Studies from 1987 to 1998, the projects for which he was responsible included relations among Australia, New Zealand and the United States and New Zealand's position in the Asia-Pacific region. He is a member of the board of the New Zealand Committee of the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council, NZPECC, a member of the Academic Advisory Council of the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia and represents NZ Institute for Economic Research on its Research Institutes Network. He is now Emeritus Professor, Victoria University of Wellington, and Senior Fellow, NZ Institute of Economic Research.



**Dr. Man-Jung  
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**Dr. Mignonette Man-jung Chan** has extensive experience in the academia, government, business, and media. She is Research Fellow & Professor at the Taiwan Center for Strategic Studies, National Chengchi University. She is also Chief Strategy Officer (CSO) of the Forum on Humanities, a top-notch cross-strait bilateral business forum, as well as CSO of Healthy Asia, a region-wide company that flagships AI technology, medi-care management expertise, and comprehensive medical humanity. Furthermore, she sits in many Boards, including Chinese Taipei PECC (Pacific Economic Cooperation Council) Committee; and Executive Board Member of the Sino-U.S. Economic & Cultural Association. In addition, she is also commissioned as Senior Advisor to the Legislative Yuan. Dr. Chan currently also serves as Advisor to the KMT Party think tank, National Policy Research Foundation; Chinese Taipei APEC Study Center at Taiwan Institute of Economic Research; and Advisor to the Chinese Cyan Geese Peace Education Foundation. She is also Coach for a special inter-college negotiation program commissioned by the Ministry of Education.

Dr. Chan used to serve as Non-Executive Independent Board Member of Standard Chartered Bank (Taiwan) during 2013-2022; KMT Member of the Parliament at-Large and sat as Chair of the Judicial Committee in 2016. She was Senior Adviser to President Ma Ying-Jeou at the National Security Council of ROC 2008-2010, Director General of International Secretariat of Pacific Economic Cooperation Council (PECC) 1999-2001; Director (Research) at the International Secretariat of Asia-Pacific Cooperation Council (APEC) 1996-1999, and Chief of Staff at the APEC Business Advisory Council (ABAC). In addition, she used to serve as Research Associate at the Harvard University Negotiation Roundtable—a consortium organized by Schools of Law, Business, and Government.



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His book “The Logic of Sharing - Indian Approach to South-South Cooperation” has been acclaimed internationally as one of the best volumes on international development cooperation. Apart from this he has authored/edited 21 other books, apart from contributing several chapters in the edited volumes and publishing several research articles in prestigious journals.





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Secretary General,  
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**Khine Khine Nwe (Rosaline)** is the first elected female Secretary General (2022-2025) of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chamber of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI) since its establishment in 1919. Rosaline holds many positions including, Honorary Principal of UMFCCI Training Institute, Head of Responsible Business and Natural Resource Development Committee in UMFCCI, Trustee for the Board of ASEAN CSR Network (ACN) and a Board member of the UNGC Local Network Myanmar. She is also Managing Director of Best Industrial Co. Ltd. and the Secretary General of Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association (MGMA) and Chairperson of Myanmar Garment Human Resource Development Center (MGHRDC).



**Dr. Josef T. YAP**

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**Josef T. Yap** was President of the Philippine Institute for Development Studies, where he worked for 26 years until his retirement on June 30, 2013. While at PIDS, he specialized in macroeconomic policy and applied econometrics. Dr. Yap finished his undergraduate and doctoral studies at the University of the Philippines Diliman and went to the University of Pennsylvania on a post-graduate program. In 2010, Dr. Yap was honored as one of the 100 outstanding alumni of the UP Diliman College of Engineering as part of its Centennial celebration. His current research interest centers on regional economic integration in East Asia and promoting energy security in the Philippines. Dr. Yap was the regional coordinator of the East Asian Development Network and was actively involved in the establishment of the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA). From March, 2019 to April, 2022, Dr. Yap was Senior Technical Advisor to the ASEP-CELLs Project (Access to Sustainable Energy Program, Clean Energy Living Laboratories) which was implemented under the auspices of the European Union and the Ateneo School of Government (ASoG). He is co-author of the books *The Philippine Economy: East Asia's Stray Cat? Structure, Finance and Adjustment* and *Lessons from Nationalist Struggle: The Life of Emmanuel Quiason Yap*. At present, Dr. Yap is a Senior Research Fellow at ASoG.



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**Dr. Tri Thanh Vo** is the new Chair for the Vietnamese committee for the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council (PECC). Dr. Vo is also currently a member of the National Financial and Monetary Policy Advisory Council. Dr. Vo mainly undertakes research and provides consultation on issues related to trade liberalization and international economic integration and macroeconomic policies. His other areas of interests include institutional reforms, financial system and economic development. He has received a bachelor of science from the Moscow State University, and a master's degree and PhD in economics from the Australian National University.



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