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# Vice President, University of Tsukuba

Dr. Caroline F. Benton

Dr. Benton was appointed as Vice President of Global Affairs of the University of Tsukuba in 2013, after serving as chair of the university's MBA Program in International Business. Her research interests lie in knowledge management and global leadership; her research projects include a 12-country study on the learning mechanism of global leadership competencies, a comparative study on global-mindedness in youth, and most recently a Japanese government-funded study on well-being and happiness in corporations. In addition, she is Director General of the university's Global Commons, an expert member of the Japanese Association of National Universities' International Exchange Committee, and is working with the regional government on various committees, including the Ibaraki Prefecture's Master Plan Committee, and Tsukuba City Overcoming Population Decline and Vitalizing Local Economy

Dr. Benton earned her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of California, Davis, her MBA degree from the University of Tsukuba, and her PhD in Management Engineering from the Tokyo Institute of Technology.



## Vice President, JANU President, University of Tsukuba

Dr. Kyosuke Nagata

Dr. Nagata is current President of University of Tsukuba. His major subject areas are virology and molecular biology, studying molecular mechanisms on replication and transcription of viral and host cellular genomes/chromatin, molecular mechanisms on virus multiplication and pathogenicity, and cell cycle control and oncogenesis. He received his Bachelor and Master of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Tokyo. After graduation, he became a research associate at Albert Einstein College of Medicine and a research fellow at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Institute. He then became an assistant professor at National Institute of Genetics, and an associate professor at Tokyo Institute of Technology before becoming a professor at University of Tsukuba and the Vice President of the Japan Association of National Universities.



# Vice President, International Commission of CPU President, University of Pau and Pays de l'Adour

Dr. Mohamed Amara

Mohamed Amara is president of Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour (UPPA) since May, 2012.

He is Professor in applied mathematics and numerical simulation. He is a member of the Applied Mathematics Laboratory of Pau (UMR CNRS 5142) and of the 3D Magic project team of Inria (French National Institute for Research in Computer Sciences).

From 1999 till 2007, Mohamed Amara was director of the of the Applied Mathematics Laboratory (UMR CNRS 5142), then director of the graduate school of sciences and applications (ED211) from 2007 till 2008, and lastly vice-president of the scientific research council of the UPPA till 2012.

He was also the of the head mathematics scientific program's at the French National Research Agency (ANR) for four years till December 2011.

He is actually vice-president of the International and European committee of the French Conference of University Presidents (CPU).



Vice President of the International & Development Commission, Conference of Deans of French Schools of Engineering (CDEFI) Dean of the National Graduate School of Engineering Chemistry of Mulhouse (ENSCMu)

Dr. Jocelyne Brendlé

Dr Jocelyne Brendlé is currently the dean of the National Graduate School of Engineering Chemistry of Mulhouse. Her research areas are focused on layered materials (clay minerals, organic-inorganic hybrids having a clay-like structure) going from the synthesis by hydrothermal or sol-gel process, to the functionalization through ion exchange or grafting and applications in the field of drug delivery systems, heavy metal cations retentions, polymer-clay nanocomposites. She received her Bachelor, Master of Chemistry, Ph.D. and HDR degrees from the University of Haute Alsace. After graduation, she became an associate professor and a professor of inorganic chemistry at the University of Haute Alsace and the Institute of Material Science (CNRS UMR 7361). She authored and co-authored 90 publications and 17 patents and was during 4 years President of the French clay Group before becoming Vice President of the International Clay Association (AIPEA). She is also elected member of the scientific council of the Freiburg Materials Research Center, Germany, and Vice President of the International & Development Commission of CDEFI in 2017.



# Director, the French Research Institute on Japan (MEAE-CNRS) at Maison franco-japonaise

Dr. Cécile Sakai

Ph.D, Professor of Japanese Literature, Paris Diderot University, currently Director of the IFRJ-MFJ. Member of the Center for Researches on East Asian Civilizations (CRCAO, CNRS/EPHE/Collège de France/ Paris Diderot University). http://www.crcao.fr

Administration: Former Dean of the Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations (2001-2006); Vice-President of Paris Diderot University for Student and Cultural Affairs (2007-2009); Director of the Japanese Section of the CRCAO (2009-2013).

President of the Konishi Foundation French-Japanese Translation Jury 2005 -2016, and former President of the French Society for Japanese Studies.

Cécile Sakai is a specialist of Japanese Modern Literature, working on the Sociology of Literature and Translation Studies. She has published numerous papers and books on Popular Literature and Contemporary Fictions. She has also translated into French about 25 works by Kawabata Yasunari, Tanizaki Jun.ichirô, Kôno Taeko, Enchi Fumiko, Tsushima Yûko, etc, published by Gallimard, Le Seuil, Albin Michel, Philippe Picquier.



Director for International Analysis, Higher Education Bureau Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) Mr. Kazuhiko Hayashi

Mr. Hayashi received his Bachelor of Laws degree from Osaka University and Master of Arts in Higher Education Administration degree from J. F. Oberlin University.

After graduation, he was employed as an official of the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture (in 2001 the ministry changed its name to MEXT). Recently he engaged in higher education and science, such as Director General of Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology, Senior Director of Hokkaido University, Professor of Assessment Office of Kyushu Institute of Technology and Senior Director of Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST).

Now he engages in research and analysis of international policy and activities of Universities of Japan.



# **Acting Director, Campus France**

Ms. **Béatrice Khaiat** 

Béatrice Khaiat is the acting director of Campus France since July 2018. She had been its director since July 2015. She obtained the diploma of ESCP Europe in 1981, the diploma (major in international relations) of Institut d'Etudes Politiques in 1984, and then Diploma of International Advanced Studies of John-Hopkins University. Having worked in Edufrance (which became Campus France in 2014) from the beginning of its creation, she had been its director from 2000 until 2006, and from 2009 until 2012. At the same time, she participated in the French delegation of European Union as the deputy general secretary from September 2007 to March 2009. She was also deputy director of the cabinet of Claude Allègre (1997-2000), and then deputy director of the cabinet of Jack Lang (2000-2002), Minister of National Education, and after that, technical advisor of cabinet of Jean-Marc Ayrault, Prime Minister (2012-2014). In April 2014, she became the deputy director of Campus France.



# **Keynote Speaker**

Advisor for Foreign Affairs, French Conference of Presidents of Universities (CPU) Dr. Jean-Luc Nahel

#### Cursus

2007: Professor of university: Exceptional Class

2002 : Professor of university : 1st Class 1995 : Professor of university : 2nd class

1989: Assistant Professor

#### **Graduations:**

1994 : Post Doctoral Degree required to advise doctoral student (in French HDR) 1988 : Doctorat de 3<sup>ème</sup> cycle en anthropologie Thèse mention très bien à l'unanimité Paris 5 1975 : Master of philoosophy

#### Administrative Responsibilities:

1994-1998: Co-Director of the laboratory: « Innovation Research in societies" University of Rouen (Normandy)

1998-2002: Dean of the faculty of psychology, sociology, anthropology, educational science - University of Rouen

2002-2007: President of the University of Rouen (24000 students) Polythematic university with medical cursus

2005-2007: President of the Normandy University pole (3 universities : Rouen, Caen, le Havre)

Mars 2008: Member of the franco-american commission for the examination of the research programs (PUF) in Washington

Since 2007: Advisor for foreign affairs at the Conference of Presidents of French Universities (CPU)

**Subject of research**: Health anthropology.



**Keynote Speaker**Vice President, JANU
President, University of Tsukuba

Dr. Kyosuke Nagata

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**Speaker** 



# **President, University Grenoble Alpes**

Dr. Patrick Lévy

Patrick Lévy, is currently President of Université Grenoble Alpes, after being President of the federative institution Communauté Université Grenoble Alpes (2015-dec. 2017), and President of Université Joseph Fourier (2012-2015)<sup>1</sup>.

He is also leading the project "Université Grenoble Alpes: University of innovation" labeled *Initiative of Excellence* by the French government in 2016. This project is based on an ambitious vision aiming at establishing a comprehensive world-class research and multidisciplinary university in the alpine area. Patrick Lévy is a professor of Physiology, Doctor in Medecine and a respiratory physician, graduated with a Master degree in Animal Physiology (1986) and a PhD in Physiology (1989).

He led for 24 years the Pulmonary Function Test Unit- Sleep Lab (1988-2012) and for 12 years the Clinical research Department of Grenoble University Hospital (2000-2012). Between 2003 and 2015, he was at the head of the Hypoxia Pathophysiology Laboratory- HP2 (Université Grenoble Alpes; Inserm) which is one of the most active research laboratory on obstructive sleep apnea worldwide.

1 Université Joseph Fourier merged with the two other universities of Grenoble (Stendhal and Pierre Mendès France) in 2015 to create the current Université Grenoble Alpes

**Speaker** 



## Director of European, International and French Overseas Departments Relations National Museum of Natural History

Dr. Denis Duclos

Denis Duclos is the director of European, international and French overseas departements relations in National Museum of Natural History.

He was previously in charge of the international relations in Collège de France. He also worked in the French diplomatic network as counselor of cooperation and cultural matters in Estonia and in Latvia, while being director of the Institut français in Tallinn and Riga.

He began his career in one of the most famous museum in the world, Orsay Museum, Musée d'Orsay, where he was appointed as the director of the legal and budget department.

Speaker



# President, Shimane University

Dr. Yasunao Hattori

I am the president of Shimane University since April 1, 2015. Before I became the president, I was working at Shimane University since 1993 as an associate professor and professor at the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science. I was also the Dean of the Interdisciplinary Faculty of Science and Engineering from October 1, 2011 to March 31, 2015.

My major is Mathematics, especially Topology- a part of Geometry. Topology is the study of properties preserving by continuous transformations, and it has a big progress in the last one hundred years. I was awarded the Doctor of Science from Tsukuba University in 1992. I am a member of The Mathematical Society of Japan and American Mathematical Society.

### **Commentator**



# Vice President for European and International Strategy, Lorraine University

Dr. Karl Tombre

Prof. Karl Tombre received a PhD degree in computer science in 1987. From 1987 to 1998, he was senior researcher at INRIA. In September 1998, he joined Institut National Polytechnique de Lorraine as full professor, before returning from 2007 to 2012 to Inria on secondment, to hold the position of director of the Inria Nancy - Grand Est research center. Since September 2012, he is vice-president of Université de Lorraine, in charge of the university's European and International Strategy; in addition, he is executive director of the Lorraine Université d'Excellence (LUE) excellence initiative. Prof. Tombre's scientific expertise is in pattern recognition and image analysis, more precisely document image analysis. From August 2006 to December 2008, he was the president of the International Association for Pattern Recognition (IAPR). He was a co-founder of the International Journal on Document Analysis and Recognition and one of its editors in chief until 2013, member of the editorial board of 3 other journals, and member of numerous international conference committees.

### **Commentator**



# Vice President, Chiba University

Dr. Makoto Watanabe

Makoto Watanabe received his Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral degrees of Engineering from Chiba University, Japan. Currently he is a Vice President for Education, Student and International Affairs at Chiba University. His major field of interest and publication are mainly on Industrial Design, Design Management and Design Expert System. He is also a member of Japan Society for the Science of Design. After graduation, he became an Industrial/Watch Designer, Design Department, Seiko Instruments Inc. He joined Chiba University in 1995 and he was Visiting Researcher, Brunel University. He experienced a Project Leader, Global Asia Design School Program and a Program Manager, Service and Product Design Program. He was WDO (ICSID) Executive Board from 2013 to 2017 and he is JDP (Japan Institute of Design Promotion) Board in design area. He is also Guest Professor of Zhejiang University and Nanjing University of the Arts (China).

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# Vice President for Foreign Affairs, University of Tours Dr. Marc Desmet

Prof. Marc Desmet is Vice President for foreign affairs at the University of Tours. Previously, he was the director of the geoscience research unit in this institution. His major subject areas are earth sciences and his research is dedicated to the study of the pollution of water bodies by trace elements and organic compounds. He is involved in many international projects focusing on geochemical urban footprint onto rivers in emerging megacities. He received his Master of Applied Earth Sciences from the university of Lyon and his Ph.D. degrees from the University of Strasbourg. After graduation, he became an associate professor at the University of Savoy and applied for a full professor position at the university of Tours, ten years ago. He is committed in several national and international expert groups.

**Speaker** 



# **Executive Vice President, Tohoku University**

Prof. Toshiya Ueki

Toshiya Ueki is the Executive Vice President for General Affairs, Financial Affairs and International Relations at Tohoku University and is also a Professor at the Faculty and Graduate School of Law. Presently he holds the position as the Director of Tohoku University China Office, Russia Office and of its Thailand Office.

He has been recognized for his exceptional work in the fields of transnational/international law and for his studies on the theory of international law related to international organizations. He was awarded the 27th Adachi Mineichiro Memorial Award in 1994. He was a Visiting Fellow at the Research Centre for International Law at the University of Cambridge and a Visiting Scholar at the Harvard-Yenching Institute at Harvard University. He is a member of distinguished academic societies including the Japanese Society of International Law and the International Law Association.

### **Commentator**



Vice President of the International & Development Commission, Conference of Deans of French Schools of Engineering (CDEFI) Dean of the National Graduate School of Engineering Chemistry of Mulhouse (ENSCMu)

Dr. Jocelyne Brendlé

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#### **Commentator**



## Vice President, Hiroshima University

Dr. Yasushi Maruyama

YASUSHI MARUYAMA, Ph. D. (Florida State University) is Professor of Philosophy of Education and currently Vice President for International Exchange at Hiroshima University, Japan. He has served as an editor of various academic journals, including the editor-in-chief of Studies in the Philosophy of Education, a Journal of The Philosophy of Education Society of Japan. His research interests contain the philosophy of Wittgenstein, philosophy of mind, ethics of teaching, professional ethics education and postcolonialism. Among his publications are "Tragedy of Education, the Other in Education: Beyond the Colonialism of/in Education" (in Forum of Modern Education, no.11, 2002); "Conceptual Captivity and Emancipation: Wittgenstein's Teaching of Philosophy" (in Studies in the Philosophy of Education, no. 96, 2006); "Ethics Education for Professionals in Japan: A Critical Review" (in Educational Philosophy and Theory, vol. 42, no. 4, 2010); Teaching Moral Education (Kyodoshuppan, 2014); and "How Should We Recognize the Otherness of Learners? Hegelian and Wittgensteinian Views" (in A Companion to Wittgenstein on Education: Pedagogical Investigations, Springer, 2017).



General Director, French National Institute of Art History (INHA)

Prof. Éric de Chassey

Éric de Chassey is an art historian: he is the Director of the French National Institute of Art History (INHA), in Paris (since 2016), and Professor of Modern and Contemporary Art History at the École normale supérieure in Lyon, France (since 2012). He was the Director of the French Academy in Rome - Villa Medici between 2009 and 2015, where he organized and curated a residency program for artists from all fields as well as curated exhibitions, concerts, a cinema and literature program, and conferences, and lectures in art history and philosophy. From 2004 to 2009, he was a fellow of the Institut Universitaire de France.

He has published extensively on the work of Matisse, US art and transatlantic cultural relationships, abstraction in the 20th and 21st centuries, photography, and the visual culture of the second half of the 20th century.



# President, Niigata University

Dr. Sugata Takahashi

Professor Sugata Takahashi is current President of Niigata University in Japan. He received his M.D. and Ph.D. from Niigata University. His career started as an assistant professor at Niigata University Hospital in 1982, then he became a lecturer, specializing in Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery. After joining St. Marianna University School of Medicine as an associate professor in 1995, he became a professor at Faculty of Medicine, Niigata University in 1998. Prior to becoming the President, he served as Dean of Faculty of Medicine (2010-2014). He also has been a board member of The Japan Association of National Universities since 2014.