

## 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Joint Meeting

# Japan-U.S. Southeast & Southeast U.S./Japan Associations

“Continued Success through Partnership & Innovation for a Sustainable Future”

**October 12-14, 2023**

**Imperial Hotel, Tokyo**

\* All participants are required to register.

\* Meeting functions will be held at the Imperial Hotel, Tokyo, unless otherwise noted.

\* Attire: Business for all functions, unless otherwise noted.

### Thursday, October 12, 2023

- 4:00 - 5:30 pm **Individual State Receptions**  
5:30 - 8:30 pm **Welcome Reception/Dinner** (Fuji, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor)  
Welcome Remarks at 6 pm  
6:30 - 9:00 pm **Chairman’s Dinner** (Invitation Only)

### Friday, October 13, 2023

- 7:00 - 8:45 am **Delegates’ Breakfast** (Kujaku Higashi, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor)  
7:30 - 8:45 am **HOD Breakfast, Briefing and Photo Session** (Invitation Only)
- 9:30 am **Spouse Tour** (Artizon Museum, Tofu Lunch at “Tofuya Ukai”, Incense  
-4:30 pm Experience at “Koju” and Shopping at Ginza)
- 9:00 **Opening Ceremony** (Fuji, 3<sup>rd</sup> room)  
- 10:30 am **Mr. Masaaki Tsuya**, Conference Chairman, Japan – U.S. Southeast Association, External  
Advisor/Immediate Past Chairman & CEO, Bridgestone Corporation  
**Mr. Eric Silagy**, Conference Co-Chairman/Immediate past Chairman & CEO, Florida Power &  
Light/ Next Era Energy  
**Minister/Vice-Minister** for Foreign Affairs of Japan  
**Vice-Minister** for Economy, Trade and Industry of Japan (invited)  
**FL, AL, GA, MS, NC, SC, and TN Remarks**  
**The Honorable Kazuhiro Nakai**, Consul General of Japan in Miami
- Break**
- 10:40 **Panel Session I**  
- 11:40 am **“U.S.–Japan Mutual Investment and Future Prospects Under the Current State of Global**

## Working Agenda

### **Affairs”**

Moderator: **Mr. Norihiko ISHIGURO**, Chairman of Japan External Trade Organization

Panelists: **TBD**, Toyota Motor Corp.

**Mr. Jun Suzuki**, Immediate Past Chairman, Teijin Limited

**Mr. Mark Williams**, President, Strategic Development Group

**TBD**, North Carolina Tech Triangle

11:40 **Keynote Remarks: The Honorable Rahm Emanuel**, Ambassador  
- 12:00 pm Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Japan

### **Break**

12:15 - 1:15 pm **Luncheon: Two-time Indy 500 champion Mr. Takuma Sato - Talk Show**

### **Break**

1:30 - 1:50 pm **Special Presentation: The Honorable Senator Bill Hagerty**, United States Senate (invited)

1:50 - 2:50 pm **Panel Session II**  
**“Transitioning the Workforce to Support Emerging Technologies and Sustainability Initiatives”**

Moderator: **Mr. Andrew Wylegala**, President, National Association of Japan-America Societies (TBC)

Panelists: **Ms. Kimiko Murofushi**, Ph.D., President, Professional, University of Beauty & Wellness; Professor Emeritus/Former President of Ochanomizu University

**Ms. Yukako Uchinaga**, Board Chair, Japan Women’s Innovative Network/Former Japan IBM Senior Managing Director

**TBD** from Aisin Corp.

### **Break**

3:05 - 3:50 pm **Closing Ceremony**

5:30 - 8:30 pm **Reception & Gala Dinner (**

## **Saturday, October 14, 2023**

**Invitational Golf Tournament** at Sodegaura Country Club

**Optional Tours:** Tsurugaoka Hachimangu, Kamakura Daibutsu, Enoshima Island **OR** Hamarikyu Gardens, Asakusa area, Sumida River Cruise