

Welcome address: “Why is a Low-Carbon Society in Asia necessary?”

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2010	Current Position, Senior Fellow, United Nations University Institute of Advanced Studies(UNU/IAS)
2008	Vice-Minister for Global Environmental Affairs, Ministry of the Environment (MOE)
2005	Director-General, Environmental Management Bureau, MOE
2003	Deputy Director-General, Global Environment Bureau, MOE
2002	Director, Waste Management Division, MOE
2001	Counselor, Minister’s Secretariat, MOE
1999	Director, Global Environmental Protection Division, MOE
1998	Director for External Affairs, Minister’s Secretariat, MOE
1996	Senior Advisor, Global Environment Department, MOE
1995	Research Scholar, International Institute for Applied Studies Analysis (IIASA)
1993	Director, Global Environmental Research Office, MOE
1989	Environmental Specialist, Asia Technical Department, The World Bank

JICA Expert for Environmental Technical Training in Malaysia, 1987
JICA Expert for Air Quality Management in Shanghai, 1987-89
Member of Standing Committee of START, 1994-96
Director, Asia Pacific Network for Global Change Research (APN), 1993-95
Member of the IIASA National Committee, 2000-
Vice Chair, International Group of Funding Agencies for Global Change Research (IGFA), 2001-02
Vice Chair, OECD/Working Group on Waste Prevention and Recycling (WGWPR), 2002-03
Vice Chair, OECD/Environmental Policy Committee (EPOC), 2004-07
Co-Chair, Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD), 2010

Publications

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 “Global Environment and China,” 1999, Iwanami (Co-author)
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 “Urban and Industrial Management in Developing Countries :
 Lessons from Japanese Experience,” 1998, EDI, The World
 Bank, (English, Co-author)
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