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Sasakawa USA in partnership with the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace presents:  
**"Prospects for Japan-Russia Relations and Implications for the U.S.-Japan Alliance"**

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On November 16, Sasakawa USA and the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace will co-host a public forum seeking to better understand outstanding historical issues impacting Japan-Russia relations, prospects for cooperation in the fields of security, energy, trade, and investment, and the impact of these relations on the U.S.-Japan alliance. Panelists may be available for interviews throughout the day, the conference will run from 9:15 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace at 1779 Massachusetts Avenue NW. For the full agenda or to register to attend the event, visit <http://carnegieendowment.org>.

"The Japan-Russia relationship is extremely complex," said Dr. Jeffrey Hornung, Fellow for Security and Foreign Affairs at Sasakawa USA. "These two countries still have not signed a peace treaty officially ending WWII and yet, they continue to make efforts to dialogue and cooperate in different fields - something which is being closely watched by the U.S. It is important to understand where this complex relationship is headed and how it could affect regional relations."

Panel topics include:

- Historical Background and Outstanding Issues in Japan-Russia Relations: Views from Moscow and Tokyo (9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.)
- Japanese and Russian Perceptions/Priorities for Security and Foreign Policy in the Asia Pacific (11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.)
- Luncheon Address: Strategic Implications of Japan-Russia Relations (1:15 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.)
- Energy, Trade and Investment Issues in the Asia Pacific (2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.)
- Implications for the Region and the U.S.-Japan Alliance (3:45 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.)

Speakers and participants include:

- **Dennis Blair**, Chairman and CEO, Sasakawa USA
- **William Burns**, President, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
- **Eugene Rumer**, Director and Senior Associate, Russia and Eurasi Program, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
- **Jeffrey Hornung**, Fellow, Security and Foreign Affairs Program, Sasakawa USA
- **Doug Paal**, Vice President for Studies, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
- **Kazuhiko Togo**, Director, Institute for World Affairs, Kyoto Sangyo University
- **Alexander Nikolaevich Panov**, Professor, Moscow State Institute of International Relations
- **Andrew Weiss**, Vice President for Studies, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
- **Yasuhiro Izumikawa**, Professor, Faculty of Policy Studies, Chuo University
- **Vasili Kashin**, Senior Analyst, Center for Analysis of Strategies and Technologies
- **Georgy Toloraya**, East Asia Section Director, Institute of Economics, Russian Academy of Sciences
- **Daniel Bob**, Senior Fellow and Director of Programs, Sasakawa USA
- **Edward Chow**, Senior Fellow, Energy and National Security Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies

- **Alexander Gabuev**, Senior Associate and Chair, Russia in the Asia-Pacific Program, Carnegie Moscow Center
- **Irina Timonina**, Professor, Institute of Business Studies-Moscow
- **Taisuke Abiru**, Research Fellow, Tokyo Foundation
- **Eugene Rumer**, Director and Senior Associate, Russia and Eurasia Program, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
- **James Schoff**, Senior Associate, Asia Program, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
- **Frank Jannuzi**, President and CEO, The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation
- **Narushige Michishita**, Director of Security and International Studies Program; Professor, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies
- **Dmitry Streltsov**, Director of Japan Studies, Moscow State Institute for International Relations

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