



--The Alliance Working in America Series--

Impact on Trade, Economy and Community: U.S.-Japan Relations in Portland, Oregon

Thursday, March 1, 2018
12:00-1:30PM

WorldOregon
1207 SW Broadway, Suite 300 Portland, OR 97205

Building on the strength of the U.S.-Japan security alliance, the relationship between the United States and Japan has deepened and widened on multiple fronts, ranging from trade and economic relations to cultural exchanges.

On March 1, Sasakawa USA will co-host a public panel discussion in Portland, Oregon to explore the depth and breadth of U.S.-Japan ties and the benefits that these ties bring to the United States at the national and regional levels. In particular, our event in Portland, one of the most popular cities with Japanese visitors in recent years, will focus on examining how U.S.-Japan relations impact U.S. trade and economic interests in the Asia-Pacific region, as well as the local economy and community. The event will feature three experts from Washington, D.C. and a local Japanese business representative to discuss the role of the U.S.-Japan security alliance, the challenges and opportunities in US-Japan trade relations, why Japan matters for America and Oregon, and the impact of Japanese corporate presence in Portland, OR.

The event is one of a series of events that Sasakawa USA will organize with local organizations as part of its [The Alliance Working in America](#) (TAWA) program, which seeks to engage regional leaders and influencers across the United States on the importance of the U.S.-Japan alliance to U.S. regional and national interests. The event is co-sponsored by **Sasakawa USA** and **WorldOregon** and in partnership with the **East-West Center in Washington** and **Japan-America Society of Oregon**.

Agenda

11:30am-12:00pm	Registration & Lunch
12:00pm-12:05pm	Welcome Remarks
12:05pm-12:50 pm	Panel Presentations: "Impact on Trade, Economy and Community: U.S.-Japan Relations in Portland, Oregon"
12:50pm-13:30pm	Discussion and Audience Q&A

Speakers

James P. Zumwalt	CEO, Sasakawa USA *Moderator
Stephanie Segal	Senior Fellow and Deputy Director, Simon Chair in Political Economy, CSIS
Satu Limaye	Director, East-West Center in Washington
Paul Taylor	Vice President, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary, Ajinomoto North America Division

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Speaker Bios



Dr. Satu Limaye is Director of the East-West Center in Washington. He is also a Senior Advisor at the CNA Corporation, a non-profit research and analysis organization located in Arlington, VA. He is the creator and director of the Asia Matters for America initiative, an interactive resource for credible, non-partisan information, graphics, analysis and news on US-Asia Pacific relations and the national, state and local levels; Founding Editor of the Asia-Pacific Bulletin series, an editor of the journal Global Asia and on the international advisory council of the journal Contemporary Southeast Asia.

Dr. Limaye publishes and speaks on U.S.-Asia relations and is a reviewer for numerous publications, foundations and fellowship programs. Previously, he was a Research Staff Member of the Strategy and Resources Division at the Institute for Defense Analyses (IDA) and Director of Research and Publications at the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies (APCSS), a direct reporting unit of U.S. Pacific Command.

He has been an Abe Fellow at the National Endowment for Democracy and a Henry Luce Scholar and Research Fellow at the Japan Institute of International Affairs (JIJA) in Tokyo. He is a magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Georgetown University and received his doctorate from Oxford University (Magdalen College) where he was a George C. Marshall Scholar.



Stephanie Segal is deputy director and senior fellow of the CSIS Simon Chair in Political Economy. Previously, she served as codirector of the East Asia Office at the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Prior to Treasury, she was senior economist at the International Monetary Fund (IMF), where she covered a range of emerging market and advanced country economies. Earlier in her career, Ms. Segal served as an economist in the Western Hemisphere, Southeast Asia, and International Monetary Policy offices at Treasury; as an adviser to the U.S. director at the IMF; and as an analyst and then associate in Mergers & Acquisitions at J.P. Morgan in New York.

She earned her master's degree from Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies and her undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.



Paul Taylor is the General Counsel for Ajinomoto’s North American Division. He is responsible for all legal matters for Ajinomoto affiliates located in the US, Canada, and Mexico. At present, the Division includes twelve companies with over 25 locations and nearly 4,000 employees, including four locations and about 500 employees in the Portland metro area. He also manages the Division’s Legal Department.

Before taking his current in-house position with Ajinomoto in 2013, Paul practiced law for 27 years in Portland- 13 years with two large law firms, Davis Wright Tremaine and Ater Wynne, and 14 years with his own law firm, Taylor Global Law Office. During this period Paul’s

main focus was on providing legal services to Japanese companies doing business in the US. For ten years Paul was an adjunct professor at Lewis & Clark Law School, Portland State University, and Portland Community College, where he taught courses on international business. He is also a former chair of the Japan-America Society of Oregon and the Export Council of Oregon.

Paul holds a JD degree from Columbia School of Law in New York City and a BA degree from BYU in Provo, Utah. He is fluent in Japanese and enjoys travel and music. He is married with four children and seven grandchildren.



Ambassador James P. Zumwalt became Chief Executive Officer of the Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA in February 2017. Ambassador Zumwalt was the United States Ambassador to the Republic of Senegal and the Republic of Guinea Bissau from 2015 to January 2017. Previously, he was responsible for policy toward Japan and Korea as Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Bureau of East Asia Affairs. When the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami struck Japan in 2011, Ambassador Zumwalt was serving as Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo, where he coordinated the United States’ support for the Japanese Government’s response to that crisis.

During his 36-year Foreign Service career, Ambassador Zumwalt has served in a variety of assignments with a focus on Asia and international economics in Washington, Tokyo, Beijing, Kinshasa, Dakar, and Bissau. In Washington, D.C., he worked in the Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs Japan, Korea, and Philippines desks and also at the Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs and the United States Trade Representative’s Office. He speaks Japanese, French, and some Chinese. Ambassador Zumwalt received a master’s degree in International Security Studies from the National War College in 1998 and a Bachelor of Arts degree in American History and also in Japanese Language from the University of California at Berkeley in 1979. He is from El Cajon, California and is married to Ann Kambara, a retired Foreign Service Officer who is now pursuing a second career in social work.