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Racing to the Future:

U.S.-Japan Technology Trends and Leadership in Self-Driving Vehicles

Sasakawa USA hosts panel discussion at 2019 National Cherry Blossom Festival

Washington, D.C. -- Sasakawa USA will host a meeting of technology experts from Silicon Valley for a panel discussion on trends and leadership in autonomous driving vehicles in the United States and Japan on April 2. The panelists will discuss technologies in the United States and Japan with a focus on autonomous driving vehicles (AV). They will explore how AVs can dramatically transform our future way of life and the many potential ways the United States and Japan may collaborate to promote and govern the application of self-driving vehicle technology worldwide. A robot will offer welcome remarks.

Embracing the National Cherry Blossom's Festival's 2019 "light and festive" theme, Sasakawa USA will also host an early evening reception following the discussion to feature Japanese appetizers, drinks, and cherry blossom-themed décor.

EVENT DETAILS

Racing to the Future
U.S.-Japan Technology Trends and Leadership in Self-Driving Vehicles
Tuesday, April 2, 2019
4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
The Mayflower Hotel
1127 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20036

PANEL PARTICIPANTS

Jim Adler – Managing Director and Board Member, Toyota II Ventures
Joanna Drake -- General Partner, Core Ventures Group
Bert Kaufman -- Head of Corporate and Regulatory Affairs, Zook
Panel discussion will be moderated by
Fred Katayama, Reporter, Reuters News

Members of the media, please register [here](#). This event is open to the public.

About Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA

[Sasakawa USA](#) is an independent American non-profit, non-partisan institution devoted to research, analysis, and better understanding of the U.S.-Japan relationship. Through research and education programs,

Sasakawa USA facilitates people-to-people exchange and dialogue between American and Japanese policymakers, influential citizens, and the broader public. Follow us on Twitter, [@SasakawaUSA](#).

About National Cherry Blossom Festival

The National Cherry Blossom Festival is the nation's greatest springtime celebration. The 2018 Festival, March 20- April 14, includes four weeks of events featuring diverse and creative programming promoting traditional and contemporary arts and culture, natural beauty, and community spirit. Visit nationalcherryblossomfestival.org or call 877.44.BLOOM for more information, or check out Facebook (CherryBlossomFestival), Twitter ([@CherryBlossFest](#)), and Instagram ([@CherryBlossFest](#)).

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