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Kobe, Hyogo Prefecture  
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# International Recovery Forum 2019

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## Attaining the Build Back Better Dividend

「Build Back Better」の効果をお届け



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## BACKGROUND:

'Build Back Better' has been increasingly embraced as a strategy in recovery, rehabilitation, and reconstruction. There are many benefits to doing so, including reduction of future losses; improved standards, practices, and technologies; economic stimulus; and progress in other dimensions of development. Yet, critical questions remain for decision makers, including how these benefits can be realized, who should benefit, and how to ensure no one is left behind.

The International Recovery Forum 2019 will draw upon the insights and experiences of governments, the private sector, and international and civil society organizations in addressing these questions. The Forum will feature distinguished keynote speakers and two panel discussions to achieve these outcomes. The first panel will focus on strategic questions to guide how governments and communities build back better and achieve the greatest possible benefits. The second panel will focus on inclusive approaches to Building Back Better - to improve participation, access, and assistance to vulnerable groups and attain more equitable sharing of the benefits of 'Build Back Better'.



## AGENDA:

9:30-10:00	Registration
<b>Opening</b>	
10:00- 10:20	<b>Mr. Josef Leitmann</b> , Chair of the International Recovery Platform Steering Committee (World Bank) <b>State Minister or Vice Minister*</b> (Cabinet Office, Government of Japan) <b>Mr. Toshizo Ido</b> , Governor of Hyogo Prefecture
<b>First keynote Presentation and Report on World Disaster Trends</b>	
10:20- 11:10	<b>Mr. Haruo Hayashi</b> , National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience <b>Mr. Jo Scheuer</b> , United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
<b>Panel Discussion 1: Strategies to Realize the Build Back Better Dividend</b>	
11:10- 12:30	<b>Mr. Toshio Koike</b> , International Centre for Water Hazard and Risk Management; Public Works Research Institute <b>Private Sector Speaker*</b> <b>Mr. Venkatachalam Thiruppugazh*</b> , National Disaster Management Authority-Government of India <b>Mr. Venu Vasudevan</b> , Rebuild Kerala Initiative <b>Mr. Agustín Casanova Cedeño*</b> , Mayor of Portoviejo, Ecuador

<b>Second Keynote Presentation</b>	
13:45- 14:40	<b>Federal Emergency Management Agency (USA)*</b> <b>Mr. Josef Leitmann</b> , World Bank <b>Mr. Ulziisaikhan Enkhtuvshin*</b> Vice Prime Minister, Government of Mongolia

<b>Panel Discussion 2: Ensuring an Inclusive Dividend in Recovery</b>	
14:50- 16:25	<b>Mr. Arghya Sinha Roy</b> , Asian Development Bank <b>Ms. Sandra Schilen</b> , Huairou Commission <b>Mr. Suprayoga Hadi</b> , Government of Indonesia <b>Mr. Shigeo Tatsuki</b> , Doshisha University <b>Mr. Kumiko Fujiwara</b> , Kobe University
16:25- 16:30	Closing Remarks: <b>Ms. Setsuko Saya</b> , Co-Chair of International Recovery Platform Steering Committee (Cabinet Office, Government of Japan)

*\*to be confirmed*

*Language: English and Japanese, with simultaneous interpretation*



## International Recovery Forum 2019 Registration Form/Information (Registration email: irf2019@recoveryplatform.org)

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\* For registration to the Forum, please email the necessary information above with the title of "IRF2019 Registration".

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