

2045: Toward a World Free from Infectious Diseases

— The Power of Multilateral Cooperation to Protect Every Child's Health —

Monday, October 5, 2026 18:00—19:30

Room 2-1702, 17th floor, Building #2, Yotsuya campus

Toward the Gates Foundation's 2045 goal of eliminating infectious diseases, experts from the Gates Foundation, UNICEF, and Sophia University will discuss global challenges in infectious diseases, maternal and child health, and emergency nutrition, as well as the roles of Japan and young people in international cooperation.

Language: English / Japanese (Interpretation available)*

*Simultaneous interpretation available only via Zoom online. Please note that all costs and equipment for participation in the Symposium on-line will be at one's own cost. Please make sure to bring your own earphones to listen to Zoom sound from your equipment/mobile(s) at the venue.

Opening Remarks



Mariko Iijima

Vice President for Global Academic Affairs
Professor, Faculty of Foreign Studies

Keynote Speech



Mihoko Kashiwakura

Head of East Asia Relations, Global Policy and Advocacy
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Presentation



Saul Guerrero Oteyza

Director, United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
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Yoshino Yae

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Tetsuo Kondo

Director,
Human Resources Center for International Cooperation, Sophia University
Former UNDP representative in Japan

Talk Session and Q&A



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Professionals For Impact, Inc. Founder & CEO/
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Conclusion & Closing Remarks

Mitsushiro Hirai, Tetsuo Kondo

Registration required



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In person

