

Live Webinar

# What Japan Should Do Now in Preparation for Japan's New Normal

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*Featuring:*

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On June 17, 2020, CJEB held a live webinar in Japanese featuring Takatoshi Ito, with Keiko Honda acting as moderator. This was the inaugural webinar in "The Japanese Economy in the COVID-19 Era" series. Professor Ito discussed challenges to Japan in the COVID-19 era and post-COVID-19 "new normal," reasons for the disconnect between the capital market and real economy, and decoupling between the U.S. and China, and its implications for Japan, a free trade hub. He also commented on productivity gains and better quality of life from remote work, remote education, and a cashless society, and responded to questions from the Q&A. To view the video recording of the webinar, please visit [www.youtube.com/watch?v=7JeclUoFTJ4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7JeclUoFTJ4).