

Live Webinar

Lessons from the Fight against COVID-19: Tokyo and New York

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Featuring:

Shigeru Omi, Chairman, Subcommittee on Novel Coronavirus Disease Control; President, Japan Community Health care Organization

Tomoaki Kato, Professor of Surgery; Edwin C. and Anne K. Weiskopf Professor of Surgical Oncology, Chief Division of Abdominal Organ Transplant, Columbia University Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons

Moderator:

Takatoshi Ito, Professor, School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA), Columbia University; Director, Program on Public Pension and Sovereign Funds, Center on Japanese Economy and Business (CJEB), Columbia Business School

On August 13, 2020, CJEB held a live webinar in Japanese featuring Shigeru Omi and Tomoaki Kato, with Takatoshi Ito acting as moderator and opening remarks from David Weinstein, director of CJEB, as part of "The Japanese Economy in the COVID-19 Era" series. The speakers discussed lessons from New York's early outbreak of cases, followed by the successful reopening of businesses without a second wave, as well as lessons from Tokyo's success in keeping cumulative cases and deaths relatively low, but also a recent sharp increase in confirmed cases. Furthermore, they commented on how to simultaneously keep COVID-19 cases low and reopen social and economic activities. The discussion concluded with a Q&A. To view the video recording of the webinar, please visit <https://youtu.be/M7L2ZAYMK6w>.