

Live Webinar

U.S.-Japan Political Relations Under the New Leaders

Thursday, February 20, 2025 | 7:00 – 8:15 PM (ET)
Friday, February 21, 2025 | 9:00 – 10:15 AM (Japan Time)



Featuring:

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The panelists considered the questions: (1) Will President Trump demand higher defense spending by Japan? How will Japan respond? (2) President Trump has pledged to negotiate a deal to end the Russia-Ukraine War in the first 100 days of his administration. Will it happen? How will he do that? (3) How will the truce influence the situation in East Asia? (4) Will Japan's policy to advance defense technologies and promote the defense industry succeed? (5) Will Ishiba's minority government be able to handle it? The event recording is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4rOckxaLFOE>.