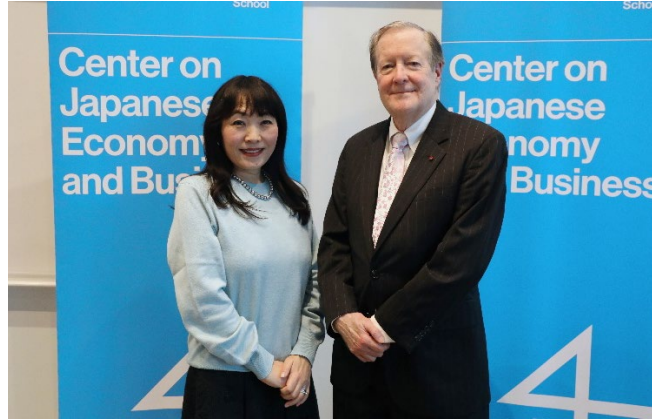


A New Era in Japan: The New Administration and Its Impact on the Economy and Business

Thursday, March 5, 2026 | 12:45 – 1:45 PM
Room 440, Geffen Hall, Columbia Business School



Featuring:

Randall S. Jones, Research Associate, Center on Japanese Economy and Business (CJEB), Columbia Business School; Adjunct Professor, Johns Hopkins University (SAIS) and the KDI School; Former Senior Counselor - East Asia and Head of Japan/Korea Desk, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

Moderator:

Ryoko Ogino, Managing Director; Co-Founder, Japanese Management Leadership Program, CJEB

Dr. Jones shared his views on whether the LDP's landslide victory enables Prime Minister Takaichi to become a transformational leader for Japan. He covered the fiscal stimulus amid record debt-to-GDP levels and methods to cope with the 2025 demographic crisis of record-low births alongside public hesitancy toward greater foreign worker inflows. He also discussed the "Growth Strategy Headquarters" for growth through public-private investment in key fields such as AI, semiconductors, and shipbuilding, while navigating rising global protectionism disrupting international trade. The event recording is available at <https://youtu.be/kUuqZQLNiBI?si=KRypSCZ7hX95wwnF>.