Japan Economic Seminar

An Annual Event of the Center on Japanese Economy and Business (CJEB)

Friday, February 24, 2012, 3:00 – 6:00pm
918 International Affairs Building

**Agenda**

3:00 – 3:05  Introduction
*Takatoshi Ito*, Professor, Graduate School of Economics, Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Tokyo

**External Shocks and Japanese Business Cycles: Impact of the “Great Trade Collapse” on the Automobile Industry**

3:05 – 3:30  Presenter:
*Etsuro Shioji*, Professor, Department of Economics, Hitotsubashi University

(Co-author not present: *Taisuke Uchino*, Research Institute of Economy, Trade and Industry)

3:30 – 3:50  Discussant response:
*David E. Weinstein*, Carl S. Shoup Professor of the Japanese Economy, Columbia University; Associate Director for Research, CJEB

*Tokuo Iwaisako*, Professor, Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University

3:50 – 4:20  Discussion

4:20 – 4:40  Coffee break

**The Effect of Job Training Programs at a Correctional Facility in Japan**

4:40 – 5:05  Presenter:
*Kenji Wada*, Professor, Faculty of Business and Commerce, Keio University

(Co-authors not present: *Akihito Toda*, Recruit Works Institute, Japan; *Tomura Kazuki*, Kawagoe Correctional Facility)

5:05 – 5:25  Discussant response:
*Ryo Kambayashi*, Associate Professor, Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University

*Rajeev Dehejia*, Associate Professor of Public Policy, Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, New York University

5:25 – 5:55  Discussion

5:55 – 6:00  Conclusion
*Takatoshi Ito*, Professor, University of Tokyo