

# 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

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4:20 – 4:40 Coffee break

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### **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