



# What is "Science Agora"?

"Science Agora" is an open arena for people from different sectors aiming at future society consistent with science.

Aggregated at this arena are independent self-motivated activities connecting people among different areas, sectors, and of different generations and nationalities.

Science Agora is a platform for people to gather and build a future society in which science inherently roots through collaborations with mutual respects for diverse values.

**\* The word "Agora" is Greek for "gathering place"<sup>2</sup>**

# Science Agora 2015

**Date: Fri 13, Sat 14, Sun 15 November, 2015  
10:00-17:00**

**Venue: Odaiba area, Tokyo**

**Host: Japan Science and Technology Agency**

**Cohosts :** Science Council of Japan,  
National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science  
and Technology, Tokyo Metropolitan Industrial  
Technology Research Institute, Japan Student  
Services Organization, Tokyo Academic Park,  
Tokyo Rinkai Fukutoshin Group, Fuji Television

**Sponsors:** Euroscience, KOFAC, KADOKAWA,  
Kadokawa Uplink

**Supporters:** Cabinet office, Ministry of  
Foreign Affairs, Ministry of education, culture,  
sports, science and technology, Science council  
of Japan, National museum of nature and  
science, Japan society for the promotion of  
science, RIKEN, Japan aerospace exploration  
agency, Japan agency for marine-earth science  
and technology, Japan atomic energy agency,  
National astronomical observatory of Japan,  
Tokyo waterfront urban development committee,  
Japan Business Federation, Science museum,  
Tokyo metropolitan board of education, Saitama  
prefecture board of education, Kanagawa  
prefecture board of education, Chiba prefecture  
board of education, National association of  
science education at junior high schools,  
Japanese council of science museums, Japan  
science museum association, Japanese  
association of science & technology journalists,  
Japanese association for science communication,  
The Japan Society of Applied Physics, The  
Chemical Society of Japan (24 parties)



# Fb-506 Agora Opening Session

Leaders from different fields, sectors, generations, and nationalities are invited as speakers, and the future vision of Science Agora will be shared with the audience.

**Date:** 13:30-16:30, November 13

**Venue:** International Convention Hall, 3 Fl, Tokyo International Exchange Center (TIEC)

**Organizer:** Science and Technology Agency

**Speakers:** Dame Anne Glover, Former Chief Scientific Adviser to the President of the European Commission

Hiroshi Amano, 2014 Nobel Laureate, Nagoya Univ

...and more



Prof. Amano, 2014  
Nobel Laureate in  
Physics

## Ab-105 Science Advice / Open Science: How science is socialized in each country and region?

How scientists and citizens in each country or region are engaged in science, how they are trying to expand their activities, and what are the underlying issues—leaders from a variety of sectors are invited to have a panel discussion on these themes.

**Date:** 10:30-12:45, November 14

**Venue:** Miraikan Hall, 7 Fl, Miraikan

**Organizer:** Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)

**Speakers:** Jan Staman, former Director of the Rathenau Institute

David Cope, Cambridge University, former Director of UK Parliament Office of Science and Technology

Mohau Pheko, Republic of South Africa's Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary to Japan

...and more



Dr. Jan Staman,  
former Director,  
Rathenau Institute



## Ab-104 Lessons Learned to Broaden the Participation of Women in STEM -The Science of Broadening Participation-

How can women's participation in the science and technology field be effectively accelerated by giving a scientific view to the participation of a variety of human resources with the help of science and technology?

What will participation by women bring about? These questions were discussed based on evidence. In the symposium, two American researchers and one Japanese counterpart will present the results of this discussion. Then, the panel will discuss the challenges to be expected in this field and potential proposals.



Prof. Reiko Aoki,  
Kyushu Univ.

**Date:** 10:30-13:00, November 13

**Venue:** Miraikan Hall, Miraikan

**Organizer:** National Science Foundation Tokyo Office, Office for Diversity and Inclusion, Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)

**Speakers:** Cheryl Kaiser, Associate Professor, Dept. of Psychology, University of Washington

Chad Forbes, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Social Psychology, University of Delaware

Reiko Aoki, Executive Vice President, Kyushu University)

...and more

## Ab-110 "Genome Editing Technology -Public discourse and policy making-"

Getting the most latest information of Genome Editing Technology research and possibility of its application.

Also discussing the coming controversial problems at this application for medical, agricultural or environmental themes.

Laterally talking the role of science policy making and science communication toward the public.

**Date:** 13:30-16:30, November 13

**Venue:** Conference Hall 3, 7 Fl, Miraikan

**Organizers:** Japan Association of Science & Technology Journalists, SiREX Center, GRIPS, Japan Science and Technology Agency

**Speakers:** David Cope, Cambridge University, former Director of UK Parliament Office of Science and Technology

Jan Staman, former director of Rathenau Institute

...and more



Prof. David Cope,  
Cambridge Univ

# Ab-084 Future of the Cyber Society

EU's first participation in Science Agora! A panel discussion under the theme of cyber society discloses the opinions of Europe and Japan. What does IoT bring us? How will an industry transform itself? How will each individual be identified? What is the role of a robot that has emotion and personality?

Why not join us to think over a variety of topics?

- Date: 13:30-15:00, November 14
- Venue: Miraikan Hall, 7 Fl, Miraikan
- Organizer: Delegation of the European Union to Japan
- Speakers: Philippe Codognet , Director of the Regional Office of CNRS for North Asia  
Nicole Dewandre, DG Connect, European Commission,  
Hiroaki Kitano, President & CEO, Sony Computer Science  
Laboratories ...and more



Nicole Dewandre, DG Connect, European Commission

# Ab-107 Agora Closing Session

A variety of persons concerned (including leaders from various fields, sectors, generations and nationalities) are invited as speakers to share the future prospects of Science Agora and celebrate the tenth anniversary this year, as well as the establishment of future cooperative Relationship

- Date: 16:00-18:00, November 15
- Venue: Miraikan Hall, 7 Fl, Miraikan
- Organizer: Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)
- Speakers: Rawiwan Laocharoensuk, Researcher, National Nanotechnology Center, Thailand  
Mohau Pheko, Republic of South Africa's Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary to Japan ...and more



Amb Mohau Pheko





### **Aa-007 Near-Future World 2020**

*Have you ever dreamed like - It would be nice if we could do that! or I want to create the fantastic future with you!?*  
*Our "JST Virtual Laboratory 2015" leads you to the science & technology based bright future, year 2020.*  
*Have fun with advanced technologies at our 10 booths. Use your imagination, let's create our bright future!*

Organizer: CREST, PRESTO, ACT-C, ERATO, Japan Science and Technology Agency

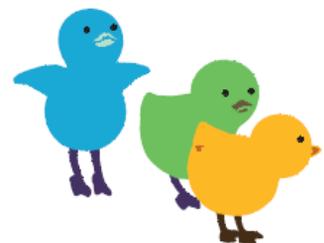
Date: All day November 13th (Fri) -15th (Sun), 2015

Venue: Exhibition zone (Floor 1), Miraikan

### **Aa-012 Predicting earthquakes and saving coral ? stories of successful Australia/Japan science collaboration**

*The impact of Japanese technological prowess on Australian society is obvious for all to see. How we listened to music was transformed by audio recording technologies: from the Walkman to the CD, video tapes, DVDs, and game consoles. We also rely on Japanese innovation in transport ? from reliable car engineering, and more recently hybrid cars.*

*But it's not a one way trade.*



Organizer: Science in Public

Date: All day November 14th (Sat) -15th (Sun), 2015

Venue: Exhibition zone (Floor 1), Miraikan

### **Aa-030 South Africa, the living Laboratory**

*We will be disseminating the newest information regarding science, technology and innovation in South Africa. Kid programs are also available regarding astrology, climate changes, biodiversity and energy.*

Organizer: South African Embassy in Japan

Date: All day November 14th (Sat) -15th (Sun), 2015

Venue: Exhibition zone (Floor 1), Miraikan



### **Aa-089 The Mind of Science, The Mind of Japan: Science of Tea**

*We have delicacy which is a part of the virtue of Japanese culture. It is in our scientific researches as well. Through a traditional tea ceremony, we discover the mind of science in it. Let's enjoy the science of tea and our everyday life this year.*

Organizer: Urasenke International Association

Date: All day, November 15th (Sun), 2015

Venue: Miraikan, Lounge E (Floor 7)



### **Ab-082 Will Japanese people be eating insects in 2020?**

*Two years have passed since the United Nations released a report urging people to eat insects to fight world hunger. Slowly, the Japanese have begun to accept insects as a form of food. We will be investigating how people's attitude toward eating insects has changed. We will also consider with audience in what way eating insects will be accepted (cooking method and lifestyle, etc) if eating insects were to be widely accepted by 2020.*

Organizer: Edible Insect Science Meeting (e-ism)

Date: 10:00-12:30 November 15th (Sun), 2015

Venue: Agora Stage B, Exhibition zone (Floor 1), Miraikan



### **Ab-102 How to get Japanese science into the western media**

*The aim of this session is to give Japanese scientists and policy makers an understanding of how to get their stories into the mass media in western countries.*

Organizer: Science in Public

Date: 10:00-12:30 November 15th (Sun), 2015

Venue: Agora Stage B, Exhibition zone (Floor 1), Miraikan



### **Ba-201, Ca-203**

*Let's see and feel the latest science technology that everyone from adults to children can enjoy.*

*Meet Paro, the Guinness world record holder for Most Therapeutic Robot, join in a craft workshop. Special exhibition(security & safety) is also held.*

Organizer: National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)

Date: All day November 14th (Sat)- 15th (Sun), 2014

Venue: AIST Tokyo Waterfront Main and Annex Buildings (Floor 1)

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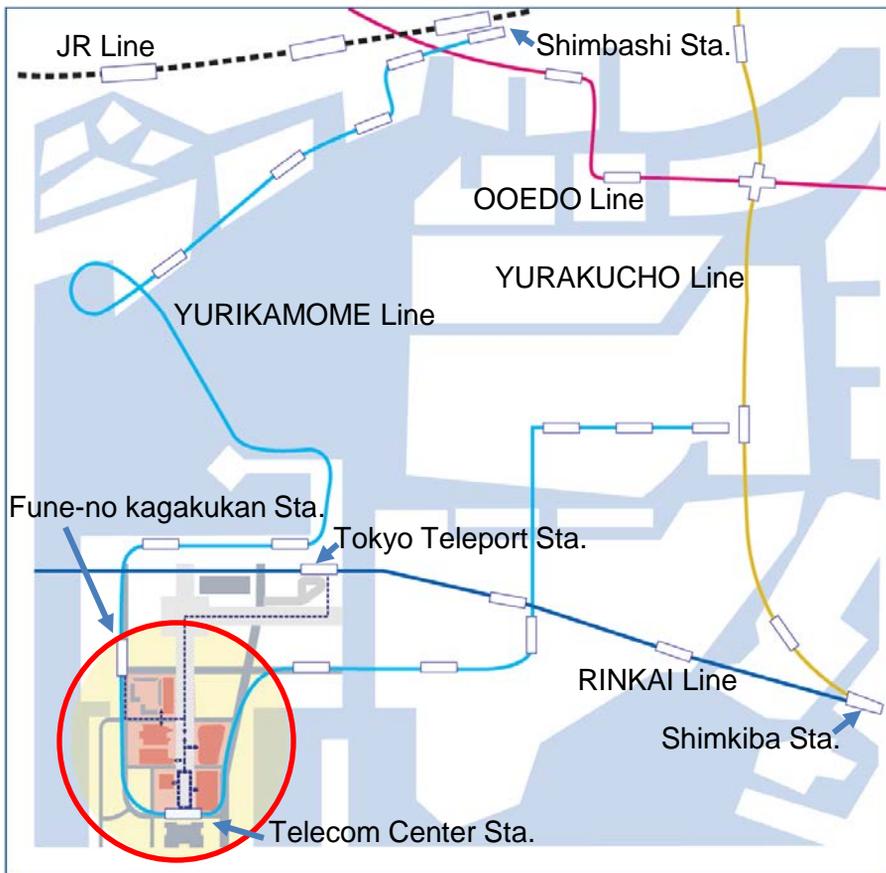
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## Access



## Train

Tokyo Waterfront New Transit YURIKAMOME:  
5 minutes' walk from "Fune-no Kagakukan station" / 4 minutes' walk from "Telecom Center station"

Tokyo Waterfront Area Rapid Transit RINKAI LINE:  
15 minutes' walk from "Tokyo Teleport station"