

International Symposium

# Africa in the 'Global South': Potentials and Constraints of African Development in the Changing World



With the highest proportion of young people, Africa is the continent that carries the future of the planet. It is predicted that by the middle of this century, one in four people of the world's population will be a resident of the African continent, further increasing Africa's presence in the world. Some companies will see the expansion of consumer markets caused by population growth as business opportunities. On the other hand, there are uncertainties with regards to food production, provision of life infrastructure and creation of sufficient employment opportunities to support the growing population and meet their expectations. Today some African countries face serious social, economic and political problems including poverty, conflict, human displacements, infectious diseases and bad governance.

This symposium brings together researchers and members of an international organization and mass media who have been involved in Africa and discuss the present and future of Africa.

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**FEB 12** WED 14:00~16:50 (JST)

**Venue : World Bank Tokyo Development Learning Center**

Fukoku Seimei Building 14th Floor, Uchisaiwaicho 2-2-2, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

Nearest subway stations: Toei Mita Line, Uchisaiwaicho Station;

Tokyo Metro Chiyoda Line, Hibiya Line, and Marunouchi Line, Kasumigaseki Station

**Hybrid style**

**Free  
Registration**

## ●Keynote Speech

"Africa in the Global South:  
Perspectives on the Prospects for  
Continental Development"



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Registration Deadline

In-person : Wednesday, 5 February 2025, 13:00JST

Online : Friday, 7 February 2025, 13:00JST

Registration will be closed once we reach capacity.

Details and Registration

IDE-JETRO Website

<https://www.ide.go.jp/English/Events/Sympo/250212.html>

