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EU AND JAPAN

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ECONOMIC
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FRIDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2015

HOTEL UNION, LJUBLJANA

8:30 - 9:00

registration

9:00 - 9:05

welcome speech

MR. MARKO BALAŽIC, Secretary-General FOKUS 2031

9:05 - 9:20

keynote speech

H.E. KEIICHI KATAKAMI, Ambassador of Japan to the European Union

9:20 - 10:50 SESSION I: STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

guest speaker

MR. ALOJZ PETERLE, Rapporteur on SPA in the European Parliament

moderated discussion

MS. ROMANA TOMČ, MEP, Vice Chair, Delegation for relations with Japan

MR. STANISLAV RAŠČAN, Director-General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

MR. ANDREJ BEKEŠ, Department of Asian and African Studies, Faculty of Arts

MR. MATEJ AVBELJ, Dean, Graduate School of Government and European Studies

10:50 - 11:15

coffee break, cultural presentation of Japan

11:15 - 12:45 SESSION II: ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

guest speaker

MR. PETER BERZ, Head of Unit Far East, Directorate-General for Trade, European Commission

moderated discussion

MR. ALEŠ CANTARUTTI, State Secretary, Ministry of Economic Development and Tech.

MR. MIRAN SKENDER, Director, Slovenia-Japan Business Council

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