Our expert speakers will share their perspectives on Japan, US-Japan business trends, trade and how they see the future of US-Japan relations as we enter a new world of fundamental geopolitical changes, particularly those centered in Asia, and rising nationalism and protectionism around the world. The event will highlight U.S.-Japan connections at the national, state and local levels, including Japanese economic and business ties with Southern California that remind us why a strong U.S.-Japan relationship is important for our collective livelihood here.

**Keynote Speaker – “Multilateral Trading System and US - Japan Cooperation”**

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Permanent Mission of Japan to the Int'l Organizations in Geneva
Chairman, General Counsel, World Trade Organization
Immediate Past Director-General, Asian & Oceanian Affairs Bureau, MOFA

**Keynote Speaker – “Unconventional Strategy Delivers Remarkable Results – Quantum Growth in a Flat Market”**

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