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President, Sasakawa Peace Foundation (SPF)

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Special Advisor to the President and Guest professor, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS)

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Distinguished Fellow, The Asia Pacific Foundation, Canada

EDUCATION

2001 Ph. D in Political Science from Columbia University

1993 MIA from Columbia University

1988 BSFS from Georgetown University

WORK AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2024- President of the Showa University of Music

2020- President of the Sasakawa Peace Foundation

2019- Special Advisor to the President and Guest Professor at GRIPS

2017-2021 President of the Ocean Policy Research Institute of Sasakawa Peace Foundation

2016-2019 Vice President of GRIPS

2015-2018 Special Advisor to the Cabinet Office responsible for Science and Technology and Innovation

2014-2016 Professor, Advisor to the President at GRIPS

2003-2014 Associate Professor at GRIPS

2001-2003 Fellow at Research Institute of Economy, Trade and Industry

1989-1991 Researcher in the Department of Policy Research at Nomura Research Institute, Ltd.

1997-1998 Visiting Researcher at Science Policy Research Unit, University of Sussex

POSITION OF GOVERNMENT, MINISTRIES, etc.

- Chairperson, Okinawa Development Council, Cabinet office
- Chairperson, Committee for Examination and Evaluation of the Subsidy for the Research and Study Projects on diplomacy and security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Acting Chairperson, Japanese National Commission for UNESCO, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology
- Member of the Economic Security Legislation Council, Cabinet Office
- Member of Basic Policy Group under the Committee on National Space Policy, Cabinet Office
- Program Officer, Space Strategy Fund, Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)
- Chairperson, Consortium for Satellite Earth Observation, Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)
- Co-Chair of Lunar Industry Vision Council
- Co-Chair of the NIKKEI Blue Ocean Forum Advisory Committee
- Member of the Board of Directors, The Honda Foundation