**RIKEN Europe Office Anniversary Symposium**

**Shaping future society with cutting-edge STI**

**～10 years since the signing of the Japan-EU S&T cooperation agreement**

**and 1 year since RIKEN came to Europe～**

**Date**: Monday, 2nd December 2019

**Venue**: Room Excelsior, Hotel Metropole

31 Place de Brouckère, B-1000 Brussels, Belgium

**Registration**: The event is free of charge, but advance registration through the following site is mandatory.

<https://krs4.riken.jp/m?f=29>

**Backgrounds and targets:**

To mark the one-year anniversary since the establishment of the Europe Office and to further enhance the level of cooperation with Europe and our visibility, RIKEN is holding a symposium targeting officers from the EU and European countries as well as regions, representatives, researchers and research administrators of European research institutions, media and other relevant stakeholders. The intended aims are the following:

* To present RIKEN and discuss how to further promote cooperation with European partners, especially in view of the 10 years’ efforts since the signature of the Japan-EU S&T cooperation agreement
* To create networks and seek opportunities for collaborative research and innovation towards higher RIKEN’s visibility in Europe
* To listen to Japanese and European research trends and exchange views

**Preliminary programme:**

MC: Dr. Toshiyasu ICHIOKA, Director, RIKEN Europe Office

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| **Time** | **Agenda** | **Description / responsible persons** |
| **Opening** |
| 13:45-14:00 | Opening remarks | Dr. Shigeo KOYASU, Executive Director, RIKENH.E. Mr. Takeshi NAKANE, Ambassador for Science and Technology, Ministry of Foreign Affairs |
| **Part I: STI for future society** (moderator: Prof. Dame Wendy HALL, University of Southampton, member of the RIKEN Advisory Council) |
| 14:00-14:15 | Keynote address Horizon Europe and the challenge-driven approach | Mr. Jean-Eric PAQUET, Director-GeneralDG RTD, European Commission  |
| 14:15-14:30 | Keynote address National programmes (UK) | Prof. Tim WHEELER, Director, International, UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) |
| 14:30-14:50 | Break |  |
| 14:50-15:05 | RIKEN presentation - 1Sustainability of resources | Dr. Kazuo SHINOZAKI, Director, RIKEN Center for Sustainable Resource Science (CSRS) |
| 15:05-15:20 | RIKEN presentation - 2Health | Dr. Tadashi YAMAMOTO, Director, RIKEN Center for Integrative Medical Sciences (IMS) |
| 15:20-15:35 | RIKEN presentation - 3Quantum technologies | Dr. Seigo TARUCHA, Deputy Center Director, RIKEN Center for Emergent Matter Science (CEMS) |
| 15:35-16:30 | Panel Discussion | Prof. Dame Wendy HALL (moderator)Dr. Peter DROELL, European CommissionMr. NITTA Koshi, Director, International Science and Technology Affairs Division, Science and Technology Bureau, Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)Dr. Kazuo SHINOZAKI, RIKENDr. Tadashi YAMAMOTO, RIKENDr. Seigo TARUCHA, RIKEN |
| 16:30-17:00 | Break |  |
| **Part II: Global partnership**(moderator: Ms Delilah Al Khudhairy, Director for Strategy, Work Programme and Resources, JRC) |
| 17:00-17:10 | RIKEN’s international strategy | Dr. Motoko KOTANI, Executive Director, RIKEN |
| 17:10-17:20 | Partnership with RIKEN 1Max-Planck Society | Prof. Dr. Peter H. SEEBERGER, Director, Max-Planck-Institute of Colloids and Interfaces |
| 17:20-17:30 | Partnership with RIKEN 2Karolinska Institutet | Juha KERE, MD, PhD Professor of Molecular GeneticsKarolinska Institutet |
| 17:30-17:40 | Partnership with RIKEN 3HPC | Dr. Jean-Philippe NOMINÉ, Digital Project Manager, CEADr. Satoshi MATSUOKA, Director, RIKEN Center for Computational Science (R-CCS) |
| **Closing** |
| 17:40-18:00 | Concluding remarks | Dr. Motoko KOTANI, Executive Director, RIKEN |
| **Part III: Networking** |
| 18:30 - 20:45 | Networking reception | The reception will be held at the following place: Charleston Room, Le Plaza BruxellesBld Adolphe Max 118-1261000 Brussels |