

Latest activities of STS *forum*

With this Spring issue, we would like to keep you updated on events and activities related to STS forum since the last Autumn issue.

Council Meeting and Board Meeting

January 10 and 11, 2019

---Council Meeting and Board Meeting in Washington, D.C.

At the National Academy of Sciences Building in Washington, D.C., the first Council Meeting and Board Meeting of this year was held.



Join us at : STS *forum* 2019, 16th Annual Meeting

October 6, 7 and 8, 2019

Kyoto International Conference Center

At the Council Meeting on January 10, a total of 26 council members and their representatives gathered and discussed the framework of the program and the speakers of the coming 16th Annual Meeting in Kyoto in October. The secretariat will proceed with sending out invitation letters to prospective speakers. We would like to express our gratitude to Dr. Marcia McNutt, President, National Academy of Sciences (NAS), who hosted the conference room for the meeting.

At the Board Meeting on January 11, STS *forum's* activities in 2018 and action plans for 2019 were presented and discussed among the members.



Council Meeting



Board Meeting

The New Council Members

As of April 3, 2019

We welcome the following new members of council.



Dr. Herbert Hugh Thompson

Chief Technology Officer, Symantec Corporation, U.S.A.

Dr. Cristina Garmendia Mendizábal

President, COTEC, SPAIN



Dr. Keoki Jackson

Chief Technology Officer,
Corporate Engineering, Technology and Operations,
Lockheed Martin Corporation, U.S.A.

Mr. Toshio Adachi

Advisor to the Chairman, Science and Technology
in *Society forum* (STS *forum*), JAPAN



Mr. Kanji Fujiki

Senior Special Advisor, Science and Technology
in *Society forum* (STS *forum*), JAPAN

February 27, 2019

---The 4th STS forum India-Japan Workshop in Delhi, India

STS forum and the Ministry of Science and Technology of India organized the 4th STS forum India-Japan Workshop on February 27, 2019, in Delhi. 120 leaders (60 from India and 60 from Japan) in the area of policy making, academia, and industry gathered.



Koji Omi, Founder & Chairman of STS forum, set the aim for this workshop to enrich relations between Japan and India by strengthening mutual cooperation in the areas of science, technology, and innovation.



Dr. Ashwani Kumar



Mr. Kenji Hiramatsu



Mr. Amitabh Kant

The workshop consisted of two sessions.

Session 1 “Startup and Innovation Eco-system driven by Science & Technology” chaired by Prof. Ashutosh Sharma, Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Science and Technology (DST), Ministry of Science and Technology.

Session 2 “Society changed by IoT and IoE”

chaired by Dr. Satoshi Sekiguchi, Vice President, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST).

In each session, after the Chair and the Speakers made remarks, discussions were held among the panelists and participants. Each participant was able to gain valuable knowledge, network, and deepen their connections amongst each other.



Also, **Special Session “The Mumbai – Ahmedabad High Speed Rail Project”** was presented by Mr. Yoshihiro Kumamoto, Senior Executive Officer & Deputy Director General of the International Affairs Headquarters, High Speed Rail Project in India, East Japan Railway Company.



Workshop in New York

The 3rd Workshop at the Carnegie Corporation of New York, co-hosted by American Associates of the STS *forum* 501 (c)(3) was held on January 9. Leaders from all over the U.S. gathered for a lively discussion on "Paving the way towards a Sustainable Future."



Chairman Omi's Trips

Chairman Omi visited 13 cities in 7 countries from November 2018 to March 2019, in order to meet with and invite leading figures to STS *forum* 2019, 16th Annual Meeting. The following is the outline of the trips.

- **USA, Germany, Spain, Italy --- November 4-16, 2018**
- **Mexico and Canada --- November 29-December 9, 2018**
- **USA --- January 8-13, 2019**
- **India --- February 25-March 2, 2019**

Plans for 2019

- **The 6th STS *forum* ASEAN-JAPAN Workshop**
Date: April 23, 2019
Venue: Grand Copthorne Waterfront Singapore, Singapore
- **Council Meeting in Stockholm**
Date: May 15, 2019
Venue: Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden
- **The Fourth STS *forum* European Workshop**
Date: May 16, 2019
Venue: Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden
- **STS *forum* TICAD7 Japan-Africa Workshop <TBD>**
Date: August 28, 2019 <TBD>
Venue: Yokohama, Japan <TBD>
- **16th STS *forum* Annual Meeting**
Date: October 6-8, 2019
Venue: Kyoto International Conference Center, Kyoto, Japan

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