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“EU-Japan Cooperation in the Areas of Quantum and AI”
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8 April	PROGRAMME
15:00 – 15:30	<p><u>OPENING REMARKS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AIKAWA Kazutoshi, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Mission of Japan to the European Union, Japan • EHLER Christian, MEP, Chair, Panel for the Future of Science and Technology (STOA), European Parliament, EU • KOMIYAMA Hiroshi, Chairman, Science and Technology in Society <i>forum</i> (STS <i>forum</i>), Japan <p><u>PRESPECTIVES ON EU-JP SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RATSO Signe, Deputy Director General, DG RTD, European Commission, EU
15:30 – 16:30	<p><u>PANEL 1: EU-Japan Digital Partnership Framework</u></p> <p>This panel will delve into the policy and regulatory frameworks that underpin collaboration between the EU and Japan in digital technologies, with a particular emphasis on AI and quantum technologies. The discussion will focus on strategic initiatives and potential policy pathways to strengthen partnerships between the two regions, aiming to foster innovation and technological advancement. The speakers from both sides will share their respective position in the current global context, which directed their organization to consider such partnership, and what were their primary expectations.</p> <hr/> <p><Chair></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EHLER Christian, MEP, Chair, Panel for the Future of Science and Technology (STOA), European Parliament, EU <p><Speakers></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LAKOS Eszter, Member of the EP Delegation for Relations with Japan and Member of the Panel for the Future of Science and Technology (STOA), European Parliament, EU • NOMURA Eigo, Director-General for International Affairs, Global Strategy Bureau, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communication (MIC), Japan • KALBE Gustav, Director of Directorate General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology, European Commission, EU • MATSUURA Shigekazu, Deputy Assistant Minister / Deputy Director-General, Research Promotion Bureau and Higher Education Policy, Science and Technology Policy Cooperation, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT), Japan
16:30 – 17:30	<p><u>PANEL 2: EU-Japan Cooperation: Best Practices and Practitioners’ Views</u></p> <p>This panel will highlight successful examples and explore potential opportunities for collaboration between European and Japanese organizations in AI and quantum technologies. The discussion will offer insights into ongoing projects that showcase the potential for shared technological solutions, such as using high-performance computing for AI applications in fields like health, climate, and material sciences. The session aims to underscore practical experiences – what could be learned, what could be achieved, and discuss concrete opportunities for further cooperation and robust EU-Japan partnerships.</p>

	<p><Chair></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GALVEZ Lina, MEP, Vice-Chair, Panel for the Future of Science and Technology (STOA), European Parliament, EU <p><Speakers></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GEORGESCU Serban, Chief Executive Officer, Fujitsu Research of Europe Limited, UK • STANGERUP Erik H., CEO, QunaSys Europe, Denmark • AUDIT Edouard, Deputy director of Maison de la Simulation and HANAMI co-lead, CEA, France • JOHANSSON Mikael, Quantum Computing lead, CSC - Finnish IT Centre for Science, Finland • HORIBE Masahiro, SIP Sub Program Director, Secretariat of Science, Technology and Innovation Policy (CSTI), Cabinet Office (CAO), Government of Japan; Deputy Director, Global Research and Development Center for Business by Quantum-AI Technology (G-QuAT), National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST), Japan
17:30 – 17:50	<p><u>CLOSING REMARKS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GALVEZ Lina, MEP, Vice-Chair, Panel for the Future of Science and Technology (STOA), European Parliament, EU • SAIKI Kozo, Director General, JETRO Brussels, Japan