

## KAKEHASHI Project: Dispatch Emerging Researchers Group 2 9 Japanese Energy and Economics Researchers to visit Washington D.C. for policy dialogue

The Japan Foundation has carried out the KAKEHASHI Project – The Bridge for Tomorrow - as the part of the Youth Exchange Program with North America, promoted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (MOFA). This program is to dispatch young researchers, who will assume a key role in Japan-U.S. intellectual exchange of the future, to the U.S.

With the cooperation of the Institute of Energy Economics, Japan and Japan Center for Economic Research, the Program will dispatch 9 emerging researchers to the U.S as the second group.



The participants are scheduled to go on a seven day tour and exchange opinions on energy and economic issues with emerging researchers and policy analysts of U.S. think tanks in Washington D.C., where U.S. policy related activities are carried out. They will have opportunities to deepen understanding of the U.S., build a network, and consider the future of Japan-U.S. relations. The Japan Foundation would be grateful if you could cover this interaction of the emerging researchers and those who carry similar tasks in the U.S. For further information, please contact us as indicated below.

Emerging Researchers Dispatch Program Group 2 <Duration of Stay> Sunday, October 5 – Sunday, October 12 \*Orientation is to be held in Tokyo on Friday, October 3.

<Participants/Institutions>

- **Ÿ** 8 researchers and a supervisor from the Institute of Energy Economics, Japan
- **Ÿ** 1 researcher from Japan Center for Economic Research

<Institutions to Visit>

Federal Reserve Board, Brookings Institution, Congressional Research Service, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Woodrow Wilson Center, etc.

This project has dispatched Group 1 in September, Group 2 in October and will continue to do Group 3 in November, aimed at exchanges of emerging researchers beyond their area of expertise.

The Japan Foundation KAKEHASHI website <u>http://www.jpf.go.jp/e/intel/youth/index.html</u> Please see the website above for the activities, comments on lingering episode, and participants' thoughts on the Project.

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