

# Organization

## History

- 1972: Jan.: Foreign Minister (then) Fukuda announced the concept of establishing a “The Japan Foundation” with a large fund and strong executive organization in the address on diplomacy at the beginning of the 68<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Session of the Diet.
- June: The Japan Foundation Law was promulgated and enforced.
- Oct.: The Japan Foundation was established as a Special Public Institution under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- 1989: July: The Japan Foundation Japanese-Language Institute, Urawa (provides training for overseas Japanese-Language teachers, develops teaching materials and exchanges information on Japanese-Language) was established.
- 1990: Jan.: The Japan Foundation ASEAN Culture Center (conducts introduction of the culture of ASEAN countries) was established.  
\* Reorganized as the Japan Foundation Asia Center in October 1995.
- 1991: April: The Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership (promotes dialogs and exchange in different social strata in Japan and in the United States with the objective of structuring a cooperative system from a global perspective) was established.
- 1997: May: The Japan Foundation Japanese-Language Institute, Kansai (conducts Japanese-Language training and study motivation programs to answer the diversified needs in studying Japanese-Language overseas) was established.
- 2002: Dec.: The Independent Administrative Institution Japan Foundation Law was promulgated and enforced.
- 2003: Oct.: The Japan Foundation was reorganized as an Independent Administrative Institution.

### ◆ Independent Administrative Institution

The independent administrative institution system separates certain businesses and operations from the policy execution divisions in the administrative activities of the ministries and agencies and endows independent institution status to the organizations that become responsible for them with the objective of enhancing the quality of operations, activating them, improving efficiency, allowing self-governing and enhancing transparency.

Specifically, the Minister of Foreign Affairs decides the medium-term targets to be achieved in the management of operations, the Japan Foundation decides the medium-term plan to achieve the targets and executes the operations in accordance with the plan. The achievements are assessed by an evaluation committee that consists of outside specialists at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The targets, plans and results of assessments are publicly announced.

## Objectives

The objectives of the Japan Foundation are to deepen understanding of Japan in foreign countries, promote mutual international understanding, contribute to the world in culture and other fields, create good international environment and contribute to the maintenance and development of harmonious foreign relations of Japan (Article 3, The Japan Foundation Independent Administrative Institution Law).

## Main Operations

### 1. Arts and Cultural Exchange

International exchange programs and joint production in the artistic fields of fine arts, performing arts, publishing, etc. and promotion of international cultural exchange in various fields relating to the people and their lives

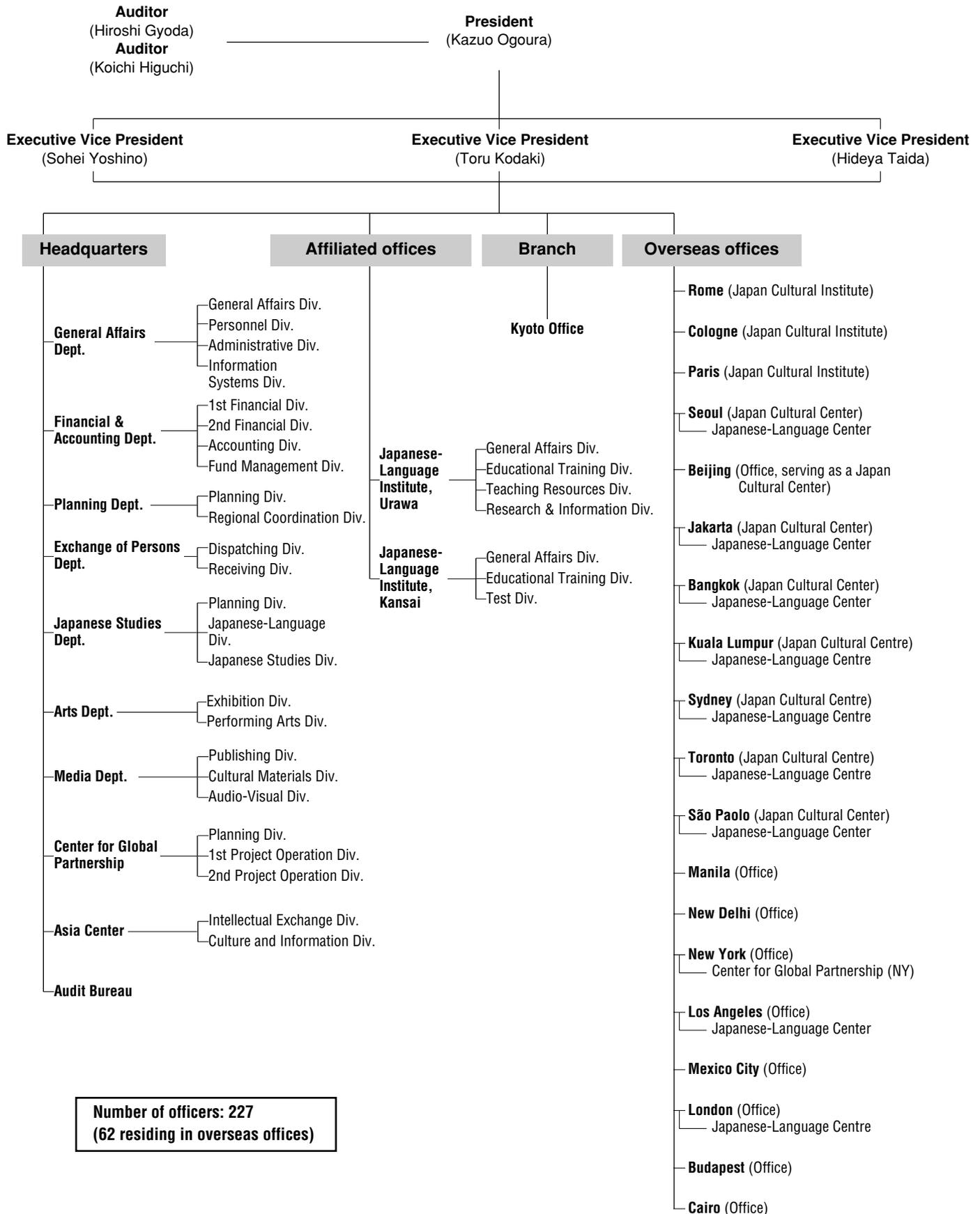
### 2. Japanese-Language Education Overseas

Promotion of support for optimizing the studying and teaching environment for students and teachers of the Japanese-Language overseas through dispatch of specialists to Japanese-Language institutes overseas and training Japanese-Language teachers overseas

### 3. Japanese Studies and Intellectual Exchange

Promotion of intellectual exchange programs through granting of fellowships to promote Japanese studies that are the basis of understanding of Japan overseas, support to higher education institutions and deepening of understanding of common issues in the world and regions to jointly resolve them

# Organization of the Japan Foundation (As of the End of FY2003)



## Advisory Councils, etc. (As of the End of FY2003)

### Advisory Council and Committees

The Advisory Council is established on the basis of the Japan Foundation Law, Article 21, and discusses important matters related to the running of the Foundation's activities including the budget policy, the planning of activities, and guidance on financial planning at the request of the President. The Council consists of not more than 20 people of experience and academic standing, well versed in international culture exchange, who are appointed by the President with the approval of the Minister for Foreign Affairs. The term expires on September 30, 2003.

#### Advisory Council Members (in alphabetical order, honorifics omitted)

Yoshiharu Fukuhara	(Honorary Chairman, Shiseido Co., Ltd.)
Glen S. Fukushima	(CEO, Cadence Design Systems, Japan)
Toru Haga	(President, Kyoto University of Art and Design)
Takeshi Hamashita	(Professor, University of Kyoto)
Yoshio Hatano	(President, Foreign Press Center)
Naomichi Ishige	(Director-General, National Museum of Ethnology)
Kazuki Kasuya	(Critic)
Motoko Katakura	(Professor, Chuo University)
Shosaburo Kimura	(President, Shizuoka University of Art and Culture)
Shin-ichi Kitaoka	(Professor, University of Tokyo)
Akira Kojima	(Managing Director Editorial Page Editor, Nihon Keizai Shimbun)
Taichiro Mitani	(Professor, Seikei University)
Mamoru Ozaki	(Advisor, Yazaki Corporation)
Shuji Takashina	(Professor Emeritus, University of Tokyo)
Hiroshi Ueki	(President, Japan Shobijutsu Shinkokai)
Tazuko Ueno	(Professor, Tokyo Women's University)
Yasuyuki Wakahara	(Former Advisory Director, Asahi Mutual Life Insurance Co.)
Yoji Yamada	(Film Director)
Yoshinori Yamaoka	(Executive Secretary, Japan NPO Center)

#### “65<sup>th</sup> Advisory Council Meeting”

Date: Thursday, June 26, 2003

Subjects: Reports and deliberations

- Outline of the major programs in FY2003
- Policy proposals, etc. for the Foundation
- Reorganization of the Foundation
- Proposals for drawing the medium-term plans: how the programs should be carried out
- Free discussion

### American Advisory Committee for Japanese Studies

In view of the fact that American-Japanese cultural exchange accounts for much of the Foundation's activities, this committee, consisting of 15 American Japanologists, has been established to offer opinions and advice on the whole range of the Foundation's Japanese studies programs in the United States. The committee also screens and makes recommendations concerning the applications received from the United States for the Foundation's fellowship and institutional support programs.

#### American Advisory Committee for Japanese Studies Members (in alphabetical order, honorifics omitted)

Mary E. Berry	(Professor, University of California, Berkeley)
Mary C. Brinton	(Professor, Harvard University)
Kent Calder	(Professor, Johns Hopkins University)
James C. Dobbins	(Professor, Oberlin University)
Wayne Farris	(Professor, Tennessee Knoxville College)
Laura Hein	(Professor, Northwestern University)
William W. Kelly	(Professor, Yale University)
Ellis S. Krauss	(Professor, University of California, San Diego)
Leonard Lynn	(Professor, Case Western Reserve University)
Susan J. Napier	(Professor, University of Texas, Austin)
T.J. Pemple	(Professor, University of California, Berkeley)

J. Mark Ramseyer (Professor, Harvard Law School)  
Laurel R. Rodd (Professor, Colorado University, Boulder)  
Yoshiko Yokochi-Samuel (Professor, Wesleyan University)  
Kristina K. Troost (Head, International and Area Studies, Parkins Library, Duke University)

**Special Advisors and  
Advisory Committee for the  
Japan Foundation Center  
for Global Partnership**

A “Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership Advisory Committee” of Japanese and Americans of outstanding academic achievement was organized by the Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership. This committee holds two regular meetings a year to make decisions on basic policies, important activities, and areas to be given priority among the Foundation programs.

**Advisory Committee members (in alphabetical order, honorifics omitted)**

Kyoko Chino (Editorial writer, Sankei Shimbun)  
Thomas S. Foley (Former US Ambassador to Japan)  
William E. Franklin (President, Franklin International Ltd.)  
Barry D. Gagerman (Senior Vice President, Ford Foundation)  
Ruby P. Hearn (Senior Vice President Emeritus, The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation)  
Makoto Iokibe (Professor, Kobe University)  
Martin Meyerson (President Emeritus, University of Pennsylvania)  
Mike M. Mochizuki (Professor, George Washington University)  
Toshiaki Ogasawara (Chairman and Publisher, The Japan Times, Ltd.)  
Shijuro Ogata (Former Deputy Governor, Bank of Japan)  
Ken-ichiro Ohara (President, Ohara Museum of Art)  
Takeo Shiina (Senior Advisor, IBM Japan, Ltd.)  
Akihiko Tanaka (Professor, University of Tokyo)  
Ezra F. Vogel (Research Professor, Harvard University)

**Advisors**

**Special Assistants to President (in alphabetical order, honorifics omitted)**

Shunsuke Miyao Yukio Okamoto  
Yoshihiko Wakumoto

**Special Advisors for CGP**

Hiroaki Fujii (Former President of the Japan Foundation)  
Gaishi Hiraiwa (Chairman emeritus, Keidanren)  
David Rockefeller (Former chairman of Chase Manhattan Bank)  
George P. Schultz (Former Secretary of State)  
Tadao Umesao (Advisor to National Museum of Ethnology)