

**LIVE**

**WEBINAR**



# **JAPAN AND THE NETHERLANDS UNVEILING BEST COLLABORATIVE PRACTICES FOR SDGs IN DEVELOPING AND EMERGING ECONOMIES THROUGH A MULTI-LEVEL APPROACH**

**Date:** 8th March 2024

**Time:** 09:00 - 11:30 (CET) / 17:00 - 19:30 (JST)

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# Introduction

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Join us for an insightful webinar as we explore the intricate web of partnerships crucial for realising the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Collaboration lies at the core of sustainable development, and in this session, we will delve into the diverse array of stakeholders and sectors that must come together to drive meaningful change.

Featuring esteemed speakers from the Netherlands and Japan, we will delve into pressing global issues such as health, education, technological innovation, Disaster risk reduction and water management. Together, we will highlight the indispensable role of cross-sectoral collaborations in addressing these challenges. From grassroots engagement to cutting-edge innovations, we will showcase how collaborative efforts can transcend boundaries and disciplines, laying the groundwork for a more equitable and sustainable future.

Our discussions will center on uncovering effective collaborative practices, spanning international, national, and regional scales. We will also shine a spotlight on strategic Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) as key drivers of progress. By examining the multi-faceted approach required for sustainable development in developing and emerging economies, we will chart a course towards inclusive growth and resilience. Join us as we navigate the pathways towards a sustainable future, weaving together the joint efforts of Japan and the Netherlands in pursuit of shared objectives. Together, let us harness the power of collaboration to drive transformative change on a global scale.

# Distinguished speakers

**Prof. dr. Jeroen J.G. Geurts,  
Rector Magnificus  
Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam**  
*Welcome Address*



**Prof. dr. Bart Bossink,  
Professor of Science,  
Business & Innovation,  
Lead Research Group,  
Breakthrough Tech  
Innovation, Faculty of  
Science, VU  
Amsterdam**

**H.E. Mr. Hiroshi Minami,  
Ambassador of Japan to the  
Netherlands**  
*Opening Remarks*



**Prof. dr. Kenzo Hiroki,  
Professor International  
Policy on Water and  
Disasters,  
National Graduate Institute  
for Policy Studies (GRIPS),  
Japan**



**Prof. dr. Wendy Janssens,  
Professor in Development  
Economics, Academic  
Board member  
Amsterdam Institute for  
Global Health and  
Development (AIGHD)  
and HERA management  
team (Health Economics  
Research Amsterdam),  
VU Amsterdam**



**Prof. dr. Philipp Pattberg  
Director of the Amsterdam  
Sustainability Institute  
(ASI), Department head,  
Department of  
Environmental Policy  
Analysis, Institute for  
Environmental Studies  
(IVM) and Professor of  
transnational environmental  
governance and policy, VU  
Amsterdam**



**Prof. dr. Menno  
Pradhan, Professor in  
Project and Program  
Evaluation for  
International  
Development,  
VU Amsterdam School of  
Business and Economics  
and UvA**



**Mr. Berend van de  
Kraats, Founder of  
OceansX,  
Former submarine  
commander in the Royal  
Netherlands Navy**

# Programme

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- 09:00 - 09:05:** Welcoming Address by VU Amsterdam Rector Magnificus, Prof. dr. Jeroen J.G. Geurts
- 09:05 - 09:10:** Opening Remarks by Ambassador of Japan to the Netherlands, H.E. Mr. Hiroshi Minami
- 09:10 - 09:15:** Introduction by the Moderator, Prof.dr. Bart Bossink
- 09:15 - 09:35:** Lecture 1 by Prof.dr.Kenzo Hiroki, Japan on Multi-layered collaborative actions towards full achievement of SDGs on water and disasters
- 09:35 - 09:45:** Q&A session 1
- 09:45 - 10:05:** Lecture 2 by Prof.dr. Wendy Janssens on Addressing global health challenges through multidisciplinary and public-private collaborations
- 10:05 - 10:25:** Lecture 3 by Prof.dr. Philipp Pattberg on Multi-stakeholder partnerships for the SDGs: vehicles for transformation?
- 10:25 - 10:45:** Lecture 4 by Prof.dr. Menno Pradhan on The RISE programme's experience in promoting country ownership of education research in Indonesia
- 10:45 - 11:05:** Lecture 5 by Mr. Berend van de Kraats, The Founder - OceansX on Start Xploring that, today! Xploration Coastline Concept - an inclusive water production and distribution concept providing the right amount of water to the right people with a common ambition
- 11:05 - 11:15:** Q&A session 2
- 11:15 - 11:25:** Discussion Session for Japan and Netherlands, moderated by Prof.dr. Bart Bossink
- 11:25 - 11:30:** Closing Remarks by Moderator, Prof.dr. Bart Bossink

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