

The University of Tokyo's Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (Graduate Program on Human Security), in association with Cass Business School, cordially invites you to attend two one-day symposia.

Day One: Human Security and Business: Focusing on Conflicts, Human Mobility, and Governance

27th April 2009

9am - 5.45pm

Guest Speaker: H.E. Mr Yukio Takasu, Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative of Japan of the United Nations

The University of Tokyo, in association with Cass Business School, has organised two, one-day symposia on the topic of Human Security and Business. The programme for Day One is aimed at academics and practitioners in this area with the focus for Day Two turning to a student forum. Booking details for both these days follow below.

This symposium aims to discuss the growing interdependence between the concept of human security and the practicalities of business by examining the issues arising from their convergence. Today, human security is no longer achieved simply through the protection of national security, international law, or international relations, all of which apply extensively to the principle of state sovereignty.

In ensuring human security it is not only the State and international organisations that play active roles but also the corporate sector and civil society that are among today's pre-eminent and leading actors. Reforms of market-oriented economies through globalisation have proven to be factors that will further develop the private sector and make it more powerful, whereas state sovereignty on the other hand, is losing ground. How, in our globalising world, can human security be ensured against new threats, such as armed conflicts, natural disasters, refugee exodus, pandemics, and poverty? This symposium seeks to draw out the future implications for human security and global business.

Day Two: Student Forum - Panel Discussion

How to Create a Sustainable Peace?

28th April 2009

9.30am - 5pm

The student forum comprises three panel sessions on topics of Conflict, Human Mobility, and Governance. Each panel comprises students who are currently undertaking research in these areas.

Registration - by 23 April 2009

You are welcome to register for either 27 or 28 April, or for both events, you can book through <http://human-security.c.u-tokyo.ac.jp/eng/UTforum/>

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