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Parliamentarians' Meeting on ICPD30: Leaving No One Behind in an Ageing World

The Asian Population and Development Association (APDA), Asian Forum of Parliamentarians on Population and Development (AFPPD), and Japan Parliamentarians Federation for Population (JPFP) co-organized the Parliamentarians' Meeting: ICPD30: Leaving No One Behind in an Ageing World in Tokyo, Japan, on 23 April, under the auspices of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and Japan Trust Fund (JTF) with the support of the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) and Novo Nordisk Pharma Ltd. The meeting was attended by a total of 150 participants from 22 countries, who shared experiences of Japan, which is at the forefront of super-aged societies, as well as other countries, and deepened discussions on a new approach to responding to population ageing.

The opening ceremony was addressed by H.E. Yasuo Fukuda, former Prime Minister, Chair of APDA and Honorary Chair of JPFP; H.E. Kamikawa Yoko, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Japan; Hon. Gu Xiaoyu, Vice Chair of the Education, Science, Culture and Public Health Committee of NPC (China); and Mr. Andrew Saberton, Deputy Executive Director of UNFPA, and was moderated by Hon. Kikawada Hitoshi, Secretary General of JPFP. In the closing session, Hon. Aisawa Ichiro, Acting Chair of JPFP, Dr. Alvaro Bermejo, Director General of IPPF, and Hon. Edcel Lagman, Acting Chair of AFPPD (Philippines) made remarks. On behalf of JPFP, Hon. Miyaji Takuma, Hon. Makishima Karen, and Hon. Kunimitsu Ayano served as Session Chair of Session 1, 2 and 4 respectively.

In conjunction with the conference, a reception was held to commemorate JPFP's 50th anniversary, and those associated with JPFP activities joined meeting participants in celebrating this milestone.





Japan Parliamentarians Federation for Population (JPFP) 50th Anniversary Video

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Arab and Asian Parliamentarians' Dialogue to Address Youth Empowerment and Gender Equality

On 22 April, the Asia Population and Development Association (APDA), together with the Forum of Arab Parliamentarians on Population and Development (FAPPD), organized the Arab and Asian Parliamentarians' Dialogue on Addressing Youth Empowerment and Gender Equality towards 2030 Agenda in Tokyo, Japan. A total of 130 participants from 20 countries attended the Dialogue, which focused on youth empowerment in the three areas of education, decent work, and gender equality and health.

In the opening ceremony, Hon. Aisawa Ichiro, Acting Chair of JPFP, gave an opening address and welcomed participants from Japan and abroad. On behalf of supporting and cooperating organizations, the opening ceremony was also addressed by Dr. Hala Youssef, Deputy Regional Director a.i of UNFPA Arab States Regional Office (ASRO), Dr. Fadoua Bakhadda, Regional Director of IPPF Arab World Region, and Hon.

Abdelhady Elkasbey, MP Egypt and former President of FAPPD.



JPPF

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