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TIME TO ACT FORUM 2024: Cities Calling for World Climate Action

October 24, 2024, 17:30–19:30 (Japan time)

The Tokyo Metropolitan Government (TMG) will be hosting the TIME TO ACT Forum 2024 – Cities Calling for World Climate Action, on Thursday, October 24, 2024. The Forum, which intends to send a message of decarbonization to the world, will be streamed live and archived on YouTube in English and Japanese.

TMG has been developing a global climate crisis action movement starting from Tokyo to accelerate effective action toward decarbonization under the slogan “TIME TO ACT.” As one of the world’s major metropolises and a large consumer of energy and resources, Tokyo has a special responsibility to tackle climate change and can drive effective action through its global connections.

The TIME TO ACT Forum, which has been held annually from 2021, aims to accelerate climate action through discussion with local government leaders, business representatives, and experts involved in decarbonization. Each Forum has had its own key theme — accelerating efforts toward Tokyo’s goal of halving greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 (“Carbon Half”) in 2021, green hydrogen expansion in 2022, and energy decarbonization in cities in 2023. Tokyo itself seeks to achieve net-zero by 2050.

Importantly, the Forums have acted as a prelude to Tokyo’s participation in the Conference of the Parties (COP), hosted by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

At this year’s COP29 in Azerbaijan, world leaders are expected to discuss updating their greenhouse gas emission reduction targets. Tokyo Governor Yuriko Koike will be attending on-site, bringing insights and recommendations from the TIME TO ACT Forum 2024, and calling for the world’s cities to join together in solidarity, deepen communication with nations and various non-state actors, and contribute to global greenhouse gas reductions.

The event may be viewed free of charge at the official site:

<https://www.kankyo.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/time-to-act-climate-action>

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Name: TIME TO ACT Forum 2024 – Cities Calling for World Climate Action
 Date / Time: Thursday, October 24, 2024, 5:30pm – 7:30pm
 Language: English and Japanese (simultaneous interpretation)
 How to view: Live stream and archived on YouTube (publicly available)
 Official YouTube: Japanese: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HoBX1mXw4lw>
 English: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_UhWOndcZBY&t=0s
 Organizer: Tokyo Metropolitan Government
 With support from: C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group and ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability

Program

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Opening Remarks	Ms. Yuriko Koike Governor of Tokyo
Guest Speech	Mr. Mark Watts (Video Message) Executive Director, C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group
Keynote Speech	Ms. Angelica Nunez Practice Manager, Urban, Resilience, and Land Global Department of the World Bank
Panel Discussion	<p>Ms. Yuriko Koike Governor of Tokyo</p> <p>Datuk Seri Hasni Mohammad Chairman of the Johor Sustainability Centre, Malaysia Former Chief Minister of Johor</p> <p>Mr. Ismadi bin Sakirin Vice Mayor of Kuala Lumpur</p> <p>Dr. Carolina Kawakubo Representative Director & President of NRW.Global Business Japan (Trade & Investment Agency of the German State of North Rhine-Westphalia)</p> <p>Mr. Evan Felsing Minister-Counselor for Economic and Scientific Affairs, U.S. Embassy Tokyo</p> <p>Dr. Michiyo Morisawa ESG Investment, Environmental Expert Former representative CDP Japan</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Junichi Fujino Programme Director, Integrated Sustainability Centre, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)</p>



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Closing remarks

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