



## Outline

### Dialogue between OECD/DAC and Japanese Civil Society - Towards 2008 TICAD and G8 Summit -

In 2008, TICAD IV (the 4<sup>th</sup> Tokyo International Conference on African Development) and G8 Summit will be held in Japan, and they are certainly attracting international audience what Japan would contribute towards worldwide issues.

Japanese Civil Society has been preparing itself to participate in this process actively and constructively. Towards TICAD IV, a Japanese NGO coalition "TICAD IV NGO Network (TNnet) " was established in March, 2007, and it is composed of 23 NGOs that work in Africa/with African Issues. Also, in June of the same year, "2008 G8 NGO Forum" was established in order to advocate effectively towards Toyako Summit, and it counts over 100 memberships.

OECD<sup>1</sup>/DAC (Development Assistance Committee) is a key forum of major bilateral donors, and it facilitates the donors to work together to increase the effectiveness of their common efforts to support sustainable development. It concentrates its efforts especially on the capacity-building of people to overcome poverty and to participate fully in their societies.

On May 27, 2006, TICAD Civil Society Forum (TCSF) together with JANIC, ODA Reform Net, Kansai NGO Council and Nagoya NGO organized an international symposium, "**Can Japan's ODA Save the World Poor?**". During the symposium, OECD/DAC clearly showed its commitment towards eradication of poverty and co-operation with civil society.

This dialogue is to follow-up the last symposium, and exchange information and views towards 2008 TICAD and G8 Summit. Also, the Japanese civil society expects to learn about Africa Partnership Forum planned to be held in April 2008, 1 month before TICAD IV (May 28-30) and 2 months before G8 Summit whose support unit exists within OECD.

The organizer wishes that this dialogue could facilitate communication and co-operation between OECD and Japanese Civil Society to bring meaningful outcomes for the deprived people around the world during TICAD and G8 Summit.

#### 1. Title

"Dialogue with OECD and Japanese Civil Society – Towards 2008 TICAD and G8 Summit"

#### 2. Organizer

TICAD Civil Society Forum (TCSF)

#### 3. Date/Time and location

3/September/2007 (Monday), 14:00-16:00

Waseda University 19<sup>th</sup> Building, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, Room 610, (Soudai Nishiwaseda Bldg, Nishiwaseda, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, Japan) \*03-5286-8261 (TCSF office is on the same 6<sup>th</sup> floor)

#### 4. Panelist of the Dialogue

- Mr. Richard CAREY : Director, DAC Secretariat (OECD)
- Mr. David BATT : Director, Africa Partnership Forum Support Unit (OECD)
- Ms. Ida Mc DONNELL : Coordinator, Informal Network of Development Communicators, Development Centre (OECD)
- Prof. Minoru OBAYASHI : President, TICAD Civil Society Forum / Professor, Ryukoku University
- Prof. Masaaki OHASHI : Vice Chairperson, 2008 G8 NGO Forum / Chairperson, Japan NGO International Cooperation / Professor, Keisen University / Board Member, Shapla Neer

#### Facilitator

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<sup>1</sup> The OECD was established in 1961, and is currently composed of 30 member countries that committed to democracy and market economy from around the world to support sustainable economic growth, assist other countries' economic development, and so on.



- Dr. Sayaka FUNADA CLASSEN: Vice-President, TICAD Civil Society Forum / Senior Lecturer, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies

5. Expected participants

40 NGO staffs belong to “TICAD IV NGO Network” and “2008 G8 NGO Forum” and 5 journalists

6. Other

English will be used during the dialogue. No interpretation is provided  
Admission free (Need reservation / capacity of the room is approx. 50)

**【Program (proposal)】**

**1. Opening (14:00-14:20)**

- Opening remark, (Prof. OBAYASHI, Organizer’s address)
- Opening remark – Introducing the role of OECD/DAC, preparation for and expectation towards 2008. (incl. expectation towards Japanese civil society.) Brief introduction of the delegates. (Mr. CAREY, OECD/DAC Secretary General)

**2. What Civil Society is doing (14:20-15:10)**

- Towards TICAD IV - Introducing efforts of Japanese civil society towards TICAD IV, a case of TICAD IV NGO Network and others. (Prof. OBAYASHI)
- Towards 2008 G8 Summit -Introducing efforts of Japanese civil society towards Toyako Summit, a case of 2008 G8 NGO Forum – its origin, current state, efforts and future. (Prof. OHASHI)
- Questions from OECD delegation (Mr. CAREY, Mr. BATT and Ms. Mc DONNELL)
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**3. What is APF (Africa Partnership Forum) ? (15:10-15:35)**

- About APF- Introducing what APF is, and expectation towards Japanese Civil Society. (Mr. BATT, APF)
- Questions from Japanese Civil Society
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**4. Free Dialogue (15:35-15:55)**

- Free talking by all participants. Q & A with people in the floor.
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**5. Summary (15:55-16:00)**

Mr. CAREY

Mr. BATT

Prof. OHASHI

Prof. OBAYASHI