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## 1<sup>st</sup> “Japan-Africa Infrastructure Development Association” Conference

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism held 1<sup>st</sup> conference of “Japan-Africa Infrastructure Development Association (JAIDA)” on Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016, and approximately 170 people from 126 registered member companies and organizations participated.

In the conference, State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Suematsu announced the launch of “JAIDA” in which infrastructure-related companies and organizations are the members. In order to further promote quality infrastructure investment in Africa in the future, the State Minister expressed his expectations for the association and appointed Mr. Miyamoto, Chairman of the Board and Representative Director of Shimizu Corporation as the President of “JAIDA.”

We invited Ambassador Mutiti of the Embassy of Zambia in Tokyo to take a commemorative lecture on the need for infrastructure investment for Zambia's growth.

Date: 13:30-15: 00, Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Location: Conference room, 10F, Central Government Building 3, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Japan

Main participants:

(Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism) State Minister Suematsu, Vice-Minister Mouri, Assistant Vice-Minister of Minister's Secretariat Mugishima and others

(Companies) Chairman of the Board and Representative Director of Shimizu Corporation Miyamoto, President of Oriental Consultants Co., Ltd. Nozaki, President of Sakai Heavy Industries, Ltd. Sakai, and others

(Africa) Ambassador Mutiti of Embassy of Zambia in Tokyo and others

[Member of JAIDA]

President: Mr. Yoichi Miyamoto, Chairman of the Board and Representative Director of Shimizu Corporation

Representative Companies: Shimizu Corporation, JGC Holdings Corporation, Hitachi, Ltd., Oriental Consultants Co., Ltd., Toyota Tsusho Corporation, The Overseas Construction Association of Japan, Inc.

Number of member companies/organizations: 126 companies and organizations (as of September 26<sup>th</sup>)

[Purpose of JAIDA]

“Japan-Africa Infrastructure Development Association (JAIDA)” is an association established based on “Leader’s Statement for Promoting High-Quality Infrastructure Investment” adopted at “Africa-

Japan High Quality Infrastructure Conference (held on August 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> this year)” in the “6<sup>th</sup> Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD VI).” JAIDA aims at continuous and active dissemination of information of the technologies and experiences that support Japan's “Quality Infrastructure” to African countries, and to establish the relationships between the public and private sectors while promoting communication with partner countries.

The summary of the meeting is in the attachment.

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[Summary]

1. Opening Remarks by Mr. Shinsuke Suematsu, State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

In the opening remarks, State Minister Suematsu declared the launch of “JAIDA” in which infrastructure-related companies and organizations are the members. He stated that the Ministry will actively support the Japanese infrastructure companies developing their business in Africa, where population and GDP are growing rapidly with significant demand for infrastructure.

At the end, the State Minister expressed his expectations for JAIDA in order to further promote quality infrastructure investment in Africa with the cooperation of public and private sectors. Mr. Miyamoto, Chairman of the Board and Representative Director of Shimizu Corporation, was appointed as the President of JAIDA.

2. Remarks by Mr. Yoichi Miyamoto, President of JAIDA (Chairman of the Board and Representative Director of Shimizu Corporation)

Chairman Miyamoto, who became the President of JAIDA, stated that this association is a wonderful platform for deepening relationships between Africa and Japan through the development of infrastructure. He also addressed his intention as the President that the efforts by individual companies are limited, but the cooperation between public and private sectors including JAIDA member companies, Japanese embassies, JICA, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism will greatly contribute to the development of quality infrastructure, technology transfer, and human resource development in Africa.

3. Report of TICAD VI (by Director of Africa Division of Ministry of Foreign Affairs Maruyama)  
Director of Africa Division of Ministry of Foreign Affairs Maruyama reported and appreciated the support for TICAD VI. He stated that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs will cooperate with JAIDA toward sustainable economic growth and the realization of prosperous Africa.

4. Announcement from the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (by Counsellor for Global Strategies of Minister’s Secretariat of the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport Mori)

Counsellor for Global Strategies of Minister’s Secretariat of the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport Mori explained the future plans including High Quality Infrastructure Conference (Uganda-Japan Infrastructure Conference and Zambia-Japan High Quality Infrastructure Conference) and City Tour for African Embassies in Tokyo.

5. Commemorative Lecture by Ambassador Mutiti, Embassy of Zambia in Tokyo

We invited Ambassador Mutiti of the Embassy of Zambia in Tokyo to take a commemorative lecture on the need for infrastructure investment for Zambia's growth.

(Theme: Infrastructure Development in Zambia: Opportunities for Growth and Investment)

As mentioned in above 4, we would like to inform you the following two events.

- Uganda-Japan Infrastructure Conference and Zambia-Japan High Quality Infrastructure Conference
- City Tour for African Embassies in Tokyo

If you are interested, please contact us. We look forward to your registration.



Opening Remarks by State Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Suematsu



Remarks by President of JAIDA Miyamoto



State Minister Suematsu and President Miyamoto



JAIDA Conference



Commemorative Lecture by Ambassador Mutiti, Embassy of Zambia in Tokyo



Ambassador Mutiti and Japanese Companies