

WILlich “ASA NO KAI”

GERMAN-JAPANESE BREAKFAST MEETING

Venue: Schloss Neersen, “Kleiner Sitzungssaal“, Hauptstraße 6, 47877 Willich

Time: December 15th, 2015 (Tuesday), 08:00 - 10:00 a.m.

The Japanese-German Business Association (DJW) invites you to take part in our first “Asa no Kai” in Willich, home to one of the largest Japanese communities in Germany. We will be welcomed by Mayor Josef Heyes at “Schloss Neersen”. A word of greeting will be held by Consul Shinsuke Toda while the introductory speech will be given by our DJW Chairman, Gerhard Wiesheu. With this end of the year “Asa no Kai”, we would like to invite you to discuss trends, possible future developments and issues of the German-Japanese partnership with the representatives of DJW and our partner organizations.

Agenda

- 08:00** – Registration, Networking
- 08:30** – Welcome, Breakfast
- 09:00** – Speech
- 09:20** – Q&A, Discussion
- 10:00** – Close

Topic: “2015 – Catalyst for a Vitalization of the German-Japan Economic Relations?”

2015 has been a lively year for German-Japanese business relations: Chancellor Angela Merkel visited Japan before welcoming all G7 representatives to Germany, delegations of Japanese SMEs travelled to Germany on initiative of Prime Minister Shinzō Abe and a new tax agreement for the avoidance of double taxation has been agreed on. Moreover, after the successful conclusion of the TPP negotiations, the chances for a successful conclusion of the EU-Japan Free Trade Agreement have probably improved as well. Nevertheless, there are a lot of challenges in 2016 for both countries. Economic growth in Japan disappointed this year with weak consumption spending and weak export growth. What can Japan do to revitalize growth? In Germany, there are worries about the slowdown in emerging economies and about the refugee crisis. How will Germany cope with this challenges and what is the outlook for the German economy?

Speaker: Gerhard Wiesheu, Chairman, Japanese-German Business Association (DJW)



Gerhard Wiesheu has been Chairman of the Japanese-German Business Association since 2011. Before his appointment as Member of the Executive Board of B. Metzler seel. Sohn & Co. Holding AG in May 2012, he was a Member of the Partners’ Committee and responsible for asset management. Prior to joining Metzler, he was Managing Director of Commerz International Capital Management GmbH (CICM) in Frankfurt. From 1994 to 1999, he was Managing Director of CICM (Japan) Ltd. in Tokyo. Mr. Wiesheu holds a degree in Business Administration from the College of Landshut and also studied East Asian economics at the University of Duisburg.



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Registration for “Asa no Kai” in Willich on December 15th, 2015

Take this opportunity to network and register via email (info@djw.de), fax (0211 – 99 45 92 12) or **online** before December 11th!

- Yes, I would like to participate. I am a **DJW member** and will participate for free.
- Yes, I would like to participate. I am **not a DJW member** and will cover the costs for the breakfast by myself (**EUR 30**).

[Please transfer this amount in advance to the DJW account – bank details will be provided together with the confirmation email after registration.]

Title: _____ First name: _____ Surname: _____

Company: _____ Position: _____

Street: _____ Postal Code/City: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Signature*: _____

* With my signature, I agree to have my name appear on the list of participants and to receive invitations to future DJW events via email. I am aware of the fact that photographs taken at the event might appear on the DJW website and on our social media presence. **Important:** The number of participants is limited. Applications will be processed in the order of their arrival. In case there are more applications than available seats, a waiting list will be opened. Please note that the fee will be charged if you do not attend but have failed to cancel your registration up to two working days before the event. If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact DJW (phone: 0211 – 99 45 91 91, email: info@djw.de).