

Opening of the DFG Office Japan, 15th April 2009 in Tokyo

Symposium

Promoting Young Researchers

- 10:00 **Welcome and Introducing DFG**
Prof. Dr. Matthias Kleiner (President, DFG)
- Introducing DFG Office Japan**
Dr. Iris Wieczorek (Director, DFG Office Japan)
- Opening Remarks**
Hirokazu Kumekawa (Director for International Exchange Program, S&T Policy Bureau, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology)
(on behalf of Senior Vice Minister Toshio Yamauchi)
Hans-Joachim Daerr (Ambassador, German Embassy Tokyo)
Prof. Motoyuki Ono (President, Japan Society for the Promotion of Science)
Prof. Dr. Koichi Kitazawa (President, Japan Science and Technology Agency)
- 11:00 **Introduction: Young Researchers in Germany**
Prof. Dr. Konrad Samwer (Vice-President, DFG)
- Key Note: Young Researchers in Japan**
Prof. Dr. Makoto Kobayashi (Executive Director, JSPS, Nobel Laureate Physics 2008)
- 11:30 Lunch
- 13:00 **“Start Young” – Incentives and Offers for the Professors of Tomorrow**
Moderation: Prof. Dr. Dorothea Wagner (Vice-President, DFG)
- Early Independence – Scientific Training in Graduate Schools*
Dr. Annette Schmidtman (DFG)
- Research Centres – Attractive Environment for Young Academics*
Dr. Klaus Wehrberger (DFG)
- 13:30 **Examples: German-Japanese International Research Training Groups**
- Promoting German-Japanese Cooperation in the Humanities by Graduate Schools*
Prof. Dr. Gesine Foljanty-Jost (University of Halle)
Prof. Dr. Yuji Ishida (The University of Tokyo)
- Complex Chemical Systems: Scientific Life in the International Research Training Group Nagoya / Münster*
Prof. Dr. Gerhard Erker (University of Münster)
Prof. Dr. Kunio Awaga (Nagoya University)
Kirsten Spannhoff (University of Münster)
Masakazu Nambo (University of Nagoya)
- 14:30 Coffee