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Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to Canada

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- 1975 Graduated from the Law Faculty, Tokyo University (LLB)

- 1975 Entered the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan
- 1976 Began Intensive Study Program in the Arabic Language (Egypt)
- 1979 Second Secretary, Embassy of Japan in Egypt
- 1981 Staff Member, First Middle East Division, Middle Eastern and African Affairs Bureau, MOFA
- 1983 Deputy Director, Energy Affairs Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, MOFA
- 1985 Deputy Director overseeing the Ministry of Transport, Management and Coordination Agency, Prime Minister's Office
- 1987 First Secretary, Japanese Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York (Middle Eastern Affairs and PKO)
- 1990 First Secretary, later, Counselor, Embassy of Japan in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (Political Affairs)
- 1992 Legal Coordinator, Legal Affairs Division, Treaties Bureau, MOFA
- 1993 Director, Second Middle East Division, Middle Eastern and African Affairs Bureau, MOFA
- 1995 Director, Grant Aid Division, Economic Cooperation Bureau, MOFA
- 1997 Counselor, Embassy of Japan in the United States of America (Congressional Affairs)
- 1999 Head of the Chancery, Embassy of Japan in the United States of America
- 2000 Deputy Director-General for General Affairs, Economic Affairs Bureau, MOFA
- 2002 Deputy Director-General for Middle Eastern and African Affairs Bureau
- 2004 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Embassy of Japan in Afghanistan
- 2006 Director-General, Middle Eastern and African Affairs Bureau, MOFA
- 2008 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Mission of

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- 2010 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Embassy of Japan in the Arab Republic of Egypt
- 2013 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Embassy of Japan in Canada