





## THE JAPAN - EU ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

## and its Impact on Japan-Romania Cooperation

## 24th of October 2018, 09.00 - 14.00

## Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania (CCIR Business Center – Aurel Ghibutiu Hall)

Time	Activity
09:00 – 09:30	Registration, Coffee & Networking
09:30 – 10:00	<ul> <li>Welcoming remarks         <ul> <li>Mihai Daraban, President of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania;</li> <li>Angela Cristea, Head of the European Commission Representation in Romania;</li> <li>Takahiko Watabe, Chargé d'affaires a.i., Embassy of Japan in Romania, Bucharest.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
10:00 - 10:30	<b>Keynote Speech</b> – <i>Rising protectionism and opportunities from EU-Japan EPA</i> - <b>Prof. Motoshige Itoh,</b> Gakushuin University, Tokyo
10:30 – 11:10	<ul> <li>Session 1</li> <li>The role of the European Union's trade policy in times of rising protectionism. How will EPA strengthen the global economy? Representative of DG TRADE (TBC)</li> <li>The benefits of EPA for Romanian SMEs Representative of the Ministry of Business Community, Commerce and Entrepreneurship (TBC).</li> </ul>
11:10 - 11:25	Coffee break

11:25 – 12:25	<ul> <li>Session 2</li> <li>The survey results on the perception of the Romanian business community about EPA</li> <li>Virgil Goagă, Director of Foreign Affairs Department, Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania;</li> <li>The effects of EPA on investor protections and dispute settlement Representative of the Academy of Economic Studies (TBC);</li> <li>EU-Japan EPA and its impact on businesses in Romania and Japan Mr. Yasuo Yamamoto, Chief Representative London Office, Mizuho Research Institute Ltd.</li> </ul>
12:25 – 12:40	<ul> <li>Closing remarks</li> <li>Prof. Motoshige Itoh, Gakushuin University, Tokyo</li> </ul>
12:40 - 13:00	Q&A session
13:00 – 14:00	Buffet Lunch & Networking
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