



Beirut, 6 June 2024

Mr. Mohamad Choucair

President

The Federation of Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture in Lebanon

Dear Mr. Choucair,

The Embassy of Japan has the honor to extend an invitation to The Federation of Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture in Lebanon on behalf of the Government of Japan (Host country) and the League of Arab States, to attend the 5th Japan-Arab Economic Forum to be held on July 10 and 11, 2024 in Tokyo, Japan, with side-events to be organized on July 9.

The 5th Forum will consist of the Ministerial Conference, the Public-Private Business and Economic Conference in addition to a business fair and side-events. Through this Forum, we are aiming to revitalize and advance the economic relations between Japan and the Arab countries, which is based on the long-standing and multi-layered cooperation in various fields such as energy security, renewable energy, artificial intelligence, digital infrastructure, and innovation. We are also aiming to elevate the level of Japan-Arab economic cooperation and introduce a new productive model of economic collaboration to the world.

The Embassy would be grateful should the Federation forward this invitation as appropriate to relevant entities within the private sector and encourage their participation in the Forum. Kindly note that all the participation fees related to the Forum (i.e., flight, accommodation, transportation, etc..) will be at the expense of the participants. For record-keeping purposes, confirmed participants are advised to notify their attendance to the Embassy of Japan in Lebanon.

For inquiries on the Forum, please contact Mrs. Sandrine Hachem, Advisor - Economic and Economic Cooperation Section, sandrine.hachem@bt.mofa.go.jp.

Thank you for your kind cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Magoshi Masayuki

Ambassador of Japan in Lebanon



Attachments:

- 1- JAEF Program Schedule
- 2- List of Possible Side Events
- 3- Information on the JAEF

July 9th

July 10th

July 11th

Side Events
provided such as
some excursions
and seminars by
Japanese
Institutions
including JICA,
AIST and so on

10:00-16:20

Public-Private Business and Economic Conference

at Grand Prince Hotel
Shin Takanawa
mainly hosted by
METI, JETRO

10:00-10:30

Opening Remarks

10:30-10:40

Keynote Speech

10:40-12:00

Session1: Expansion of
mutual investment
(Diversification of
economic relationships,
Innovation
Collaboration)

12:00-12:15

Coffee Break

12:15-13:35

Session2: Addressing
Climate
Change(Renewable Energy,
Waste management)

13:35-14:35

Networking Lunch

14:35-16:00

Session3: New
Technologies, Supply
Chain
Resilience(Communication
technology, AI)

16:00-16:20

Closing Session

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Grand
Prince
Hotel
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9:00-14:05

Ministerial Conference (Closed)

at the Ilkura Guest
House
hosted by MOFA and
METI

9:00-9:10

Group Photo (open
to media)

9:10-9:40

Opening Session
(open to media)

9:40-13:40

Discussion Session

9:40-11:45

*Agenda1: Japan-Arab
Resilient Economic
Development*(Energy
security for both supply
and demand sides, digital
infrastructure and
innovation with
emerging technology
including AI and
metaverse)

11:45-11:50

Coffee Break

11:50-13:40

*Agenda2: Japan-Arab
Sustainable Economic
Development*(Clean
energy technologies for
the achievement of Net-
zero, actions for SDGs
and human resource
development in energy
and digital)

13:40-14:05

14:05-14:20

Joint Press Occasion

14:20-15:20

Closing Reception for VIP

5th Japan-Arab Economic Forum Side Events(July 9th)

*The information on side events will be updated on the website.

■ National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)

① Visit to AIST Tsukuba Center [TBD]

form	Site visit
the time required	About 1-2 hours *Time required for inspection only, not including round-trip transportation
Contents	Introduction of AIST (including Q&A) (25 minutes) Tour of Science Square (30 min.) Tour of the Geological Museum (30 min.) Research site visit (30 min per site) Example: Grobal Zero Emissions Research Center(Energy and Environment) Materials Process Innovation Platform Advanced Catalyst Center (Materials) Global Research and Development Center for Business by Quantum-AI technology (G-QuAT), etc.
Maximum number of participants	20 persons

② AIST Tokyo Waterfront [TBD]

form	Site visit
the time required	About 1-2 hours *Time required for inspection only, not including round-trip transportation
Contents	Introduction of AIST (including Q&A) (25 minutes) Research site visit (30-60 minutes per site) Example: Automated bio-experiment program (Mahoro) Real-time motion measurement using digital human technology Training and error recovery of industrial robots based on virtual experience, etc.
Maximum number of participants	20 persons

③ AIST Fukushima Renewable Energy Institute(FREA) [TBD]

form	Site visit
the time required	About 1-2 hours *Time required for inspection only, not including round-trip transportation
Contents	Introduction of FREA (including Q&A) (25 minutes) Research site visit (30-60 minutes per site) Example: geothermal demonstration field Energy management building (geothermal, solar thermal, wind, hydrogen)

	Hydrogen-related facilities, etc.
Maximum number of participants	20 persons

■ Japan Association for the Promotion of Businesses for Energy Saving (JASE-W) [TBD]

form	Visits, exhibitions, business meetings, etc. [TBD]
the time required	TBD
Contents	JASE-W organize site visit, exhibition, and business meeting in conjunction with the contents of Session 2
Maximum number of participants	TBD

■ Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

form	Seminar
the time required	TBD
Contents	Human Development, Digital etc.
Maximum number of participants	Approx. 100 persons per seminar



The 5th Japan-Arab Economic Forum (JAEF)

1. Outline

- The Forum will be held in Tokyo on **July 10th and 11th, 2024**, co-chaired by **Japan (Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry)** and **the League of Arab States (Secretary General)**. A series of Japan-Arab Economic Fora have been held under the MOC between Japan and the Arab League signed in 2009.
- At the Forum, based on multi-layered relations between Japan and Arab countries, discussions will be held between Japanese and Arab ministers on strengthening economic relations, and exchanges of views between participants from both public and private sectors in Japan and Arab countries will be also held.



1st Forum in Tokyo

- **The Ministerial Conference** will deepen policy discussions on issues of common interests such as **energy security**, **renewable energy**, and **emerging technologies and innovations such as AI and Metaverse**, and explore new possibilities for economic cooperation between Japan and the Arab countries.
- **The Public-Private Business and Economic Conference** will explore possibilities for further economic cooperation through the exchange of views among **government officials**, including **ministers**, as well as **business representatives**.
- **Side-events will be held including B2B meetings, seminars and excursions on July 9th.**

The 5th Japan-Arab Economic Forum (JAEF)

2. Program & Agenda

❑ **Public-Private Business and Economic Conference on July 10th**

*Talks by government and business leaders from Arab and Japanese sides

- Opening Session
- Keynote Speech
- Session 1: **Expansion of Mutual Investment (Diversification of Economic Relationships, Innovation Collaboration)** [P]
- Session 2: **Addressing Climate Change (Renewable Energy, Waste Management)** [P]
- Networking Lunch
- Session 3: **New Technologies, Supply Chain Resilience (Communication Technology, AI)** [P]
- Closing Session
- **B2B events** will be held on July 10th at the same venue



3rd Forum in Tokyo

❑ **Ministerial Conference on July 11th**

*Policy discussions among ministers

- Opening Session (closed session, open to the media)
- Discussion Session (closed session)

Agenda 1: Japan-Arab **Resilient** Economic Development (energy security for both supply and demand sides, digital infrastructure and innovation with emerging technology including AI and metaverse)

Agenda 2: Japan-Arab **Sustainable** Economic Development (clean energy technologies for the achievement of Net-zero, actions for SDGs and human resource development in energy and digital)

- Closing Session (closed session)
- Joint Press Occasion
- Reception for VIPs (Ministerial Conference Participants)

***Various side-events for participants** including seminars and excursions are planned on **July 9th**, please refer to the latest information on JETRO's website: <https://www.jetro.go.jp/en/events/japan-arab-economicforum.html>

The 5th Japan-Arab Economic Forum (JAEF)

3. History of JAEF		1st	2nd	3rd	4th
		December 2009	December 2010	December 2013	May 2016
Venue		Tokyo, Japan	Tunis, Tunisia	Tokyo, Japan	Casablanca, Morocco
Number of Participants		➢ Approximately 900 people from the Japanese side participated ➢ Approximately 300 from the Arab side participated including one summit-level representative, ten ministerial/vice ministerial-level representatives, and leaders of two international institutions ➢ Total: approx.1200	➢ Approximately 400 people from the Japanese side participated ➢ Approximately 700 from the Arab side participated including one summit-level representative, 25 ministerial/vice ministerial-level representatives, and leaders from four international institutions ➢ Total : approx.1100	➢ Approximately 1,000 people from the Japanese side participated ➢ Approximately 500 from the Arab side participated including one summit-level representative, 14 ministerial/vice ministerial-level representatives, and two international institutions ➢ Total: approx.1500	➢ Approximately 240 participants from the Japanese side participated ➢ Approximately 560 from the Arab side participated including six ministerial/vice ministerial-level representatives, and a representative of one international institution ➢ Total: approx.800

Kindly find below the focal point of the Japanese Secretariat for the fifth Japan-Arab Economic Forum.

- ❑ If you have any inquiry about the detailed program for the **Ministerial Conference**, please contact e-mail: tokyo2024.jaef@mofa.go.jp.
- ❑ Registration of minister's delegation is made through the Embassy of Japan in your capital.
- ❑ If you are business participants and interested in the **Public-Private Business and Economic Conference**, please register and find useful information on the website of JETRO. If you have any further inquiry please contact email: scc-event@jetro.go.jp