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Research Institute for
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International Symposium

Toward a Future Beyond the Anthropocene

December 1st, 2026

9:30 – 17:30

Research Institute for Humanity and Nature (RIHN), Kyoto, Japan
and Online

Advance Registration Required ➡

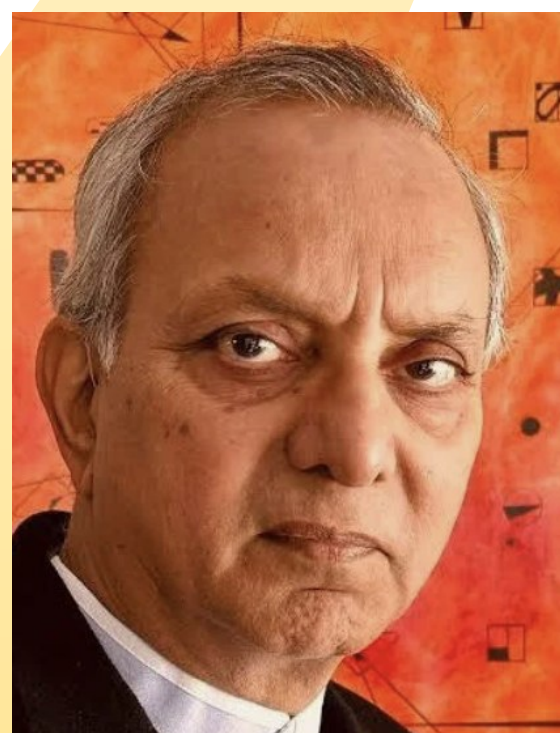


Keynote Speakers



Csaba Kőrösi

Former President of the United Nations
General Assembly,
Keio STAR Beyond SDGs Project Adviser



Paul Shrivastava

Co-President of The Club of Rome,
Former Member of RIHN EREC

Global environmental challenges, geopolitical tensions, and rapid technological and information-related changes are unfolding faster than societies can respond, widening the gap between near-term goals and long-term visions. Building on the achievements of the SDGs, the symposium “Toward a Future Beyond the Anthropocene” will explore pathways beyond 2030. Bringing together perspectives from Beyond SDGs 2030, Future Earth, and the Asia Science Mission, it will examine how scientific collaboration, knowledge co-creation, and place-based initiatives can connect immediate action with long-term aspirations for human and planetary well-being, and sustainable societal transformation.

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9:30-9:45 Opening

Juichi Yamagiwa, Director General, RIHN

Welcome Remarks

MC : Ria Lambino,

Future Earth Center, RIHN

9:45-10:00 Symposium Introduction

Makoto Taniguchi, Program Director, RIHN

Toward a Future Beyond the Anthropocene: From Global Goals to Sustainability Transformation

10:00-12:10 Session 1: Beyond SDGs 2030

From Global Goals to Transformative Pathways Beyond 2030

10:00-10:40 Keynote Address

Csaba Kőrösi, Former President of the United Nations General Assembly, Keio STAR Beyond SDGs Project Adviser

10:40-10:55 RIHN Presentation

Kentaro Hayashi, Sus-N Project, RIHN

Beyond the SDGs: Making the Invisible Nitrogen Challenge Visible

10:55-12:10 Panel Discussion (Moderator: to be confirmed)

Panelists: Misuzu Asari | Norie Tamura | Daniel Niles | Csaba Kőrösi | Kentaro Hayashi

12:10-13:30 Lunch Break

13:30-15:40 Session 2: Future Earth and Asia Science Mission

From Sustainability Knowledge to Societal Transformation and Collective Action

13:30-14:10 Keynote Address

Paul Shrivastava, Co-President, The Club of Rome, Former Member, RIHN EREC

14:10-14:25 RIHN Presentation

Jun Yasumoto, Linkage Project, RIHN

Understanding Land-Sea Linkages through the Water Cycle: Protecting Coral Reefs and Sustaining Livelihoods

14:25-15:40 Panel Discussion (Moderator: to be confirmed)

Panelists: | Narumi Yoshikawa | Adam Izdebski | Anik Bhaduri | Paul Shrivastava | Jun Yasumoto

16:00-17:20 Concluding Session

Toward a Future Beyond the Anthropocene: Connecting Global Goals, Science and Transformation

Synthesis of the sessions around three transitions:

- Beyond SDGs: from goals and targets → transformative pathways
- Future Earth: from knowledge production → knowledge co-creation and societal transformation
- Asia Science Mission: from understanding transformation → learning, experimentation and collective action

17:20-17:30 Closing

Ichiro Tayasu, Deputy Director General, RIHN



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