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**14th G1 Global
Conference Report**

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G1 Institute**

Message from the President

Thank you for your support and participation in the 14th G1 Global Conference! I hope you had a wonderful time.

248 people (223 in-person, 25 online) joined—the highest % attending in-person since COVID—to discuss “Human Evolution with AI: How Humans Can Grow by Utilizing this Technology in Business, Politics, and Society.” We considered the status of our geopolitical relationships, focusing on the opportunities for collective security. As we moved through the breakout sessions, we explored ways Humans can Evolve by utilizing AI.

In the Closing Plenary, we discussed humans working *alongside* AI—rather than against it—as an “augmented intelligence,” where we “imagine society in the future.” We agreed to make Japan's voice louder, especially on AI. For humans to evolve, we should focus on building that which AI cannot replace—creativity, happiness, human connection and community.

At the G1 LuckyFes Night Reception Party, we re-energized our community, refreshed with food and drinks from Ibaraki, and enjoyed CANDY TUNE from KAWAII LAB, who shared their Harajuku style!

Our vision of G1 has always been “Group of One, Globe is One.” We seek to create a multi-stakeholder forum in which people can share and learn from each other through dialogue, to make a better Japan and a better world. The success of the G1 Global is all thanks to your participation, your passion, and your commitment to this community.

Audience feedback has been quite strong, and many have commented on the positive energy throughout the sessions. We hope that you were able to use these opportunities to make new friends. Please keep the conversation going on social media by using the hashtag #G1Global.

To rewatch the sessions, or to catch any you may have missed, please check [GLOBIS Insights](#). We will [announce](#) each video's release on X.

I wish all the best to you and hope to see you again at the 15th G1 Global Conference on Monday, October 13th, 2025.

Yours,

Yoshito Hori

President, G1 Institute

Founder & President, GLOBIS University

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14th G1 Global Conference Overview

Time & Date

*9:00AM – 6:00PM, Mon. Oct. 14, 2024
(followed by Reception Party until 7:30PM)*

Venue

GLOBIS University, Tokyo, Japan and online

Number of Participants:

248

Theme

*“Human Evolution with AI: How Humans
Can Grow by Utilizing this Technology in
Business, Politics, and Society”*

Host

G1 Institute



#1 Plenary Session: “Geopolitics: How should Prime Minister Shigeru Ishiba deal with the US, China and the rest of the world?”



Opening Session: Yoshito Hori
President, G1 Institute; Founder and President, GLOBIS University
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-Bill Emmott, Chair, International Institute for Strategic Studies;
Chair, Japan Society of the UK
-Sheila A. Smith, John E. Merow Senior Fellow for Asia-Pacific Studies,
Council on Foreign Relations
-Kazuto Suzuki, Professor, University of Tokyo
Moderator: Heizo Takenaka, Professor Emeritus, Keio University

#2 Breakout Sessions

[Business] Global Founders in Japan

- Christopher Ax, Founder, Schmatz (Kaiser Kitchen K.K.)
- Jordan Fisher, Co-Founder and Chairman, Zehitomo Inc., Venture Partner, Antler Japan
- Oya Koc, Founder & CEO, Oyraa Inc.
- Moderator: Emre Yuasa, Partner, GLOBIS Capital Partners



[Politics] Cyber Intelligence and Defense

- George Chen, Managing Director & Co-Chair, Digital Practice, The Asia Group
- Scott Jarkoff, Co-Founder & CEO, Praeryx
- Rui Matsukawa, Liberal Democratic Party, Senator of Japan
- Hiroshi Sasaki, Director, OT Business Development, Fortinet Japan G.K.
- Moderator: Mihoko Matsubara, Chief Cybersecurity Strategist, NTT Corporation



[Technology] From Lab to Market: How to Turn Scientific Insights into Business Reality

- Jonathan Frankle, Chief AI Scientist, Databricks
- Kae Nemoto, Professor and OCQT Director, Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology
- Takao Someya, Executive Director and Vice President, The University of Tokyo
- Moderator: Yumiko Murakami, General Partner, MPower Partners



[Society] Gendered Innovations to Drive Growth

- Ari Horie, Representative Director, Women's Startup Lab Impact Foundation Japan, Founder & CEO, Women's Startup Lab
- Londa Schiebinger, John L. Hinds Professor of History of Science / Director, Gendered Innovations in Science, Health & Medicine, Engineering, and Environment, Stanford University
- Seiji Yasubuchi, President & CEO, AXA Holdings Japan Co., Ltd
- Hidehiko Yuzaki, Governor, Hiroshima Prefecture
- Moderator: Maiko Todoroki, President and CEO, Poppins Corporation



#3 Breakout Sessions

[Business] Leadership in the Technovate & AI Era: What Should Leaders Do To Win?

- Katrina Lake, Founder and Chairperson, Stitch Fix, Inc.
- Miki Tsusaka, President, Microsoft Japan
- Bob Willen, Managing Partner and Chairman, Kearney
- Moderator: Satoshi Hirose, Dean of International MBA Program, GLOBIS University



[Politics] Preparing the World after the U.S. Election

- Glen S. Fukushima, Senior Fellow, Center for American Progress
- Takako Hikotani, Professor, Gakushuin University
- Jagannath Panda, Head, Stockholm Center for South Asian and Indo-Pacific Affairs (SCSA-IPA); Executive Editor, Institute for Security and Development Policy
- Joshua Walker, President & CEO, Japan Society
- Moderator: Ken Jimbo, Managing Director, International House of Japan



[Technology] Tech & Design

- Tomoe Hamaguchiya, Japan Representative Director, Kontrapunkt
- Miles Pennington, Professor of Design Led Innovation, University of Tokyo
- Jay Pillai, Director of AI, Figma
- Moderator: Kinya Tagawa, CEO, Takram Japan Inc.



[Society] Energy Transition Ensuring Security and Combating Climate Change

- Helle Kristoffersen, Member of the Executive Committee, President Asia, TotalEnergies
- Jean-Eric Paquet, Ambassador of the European Union to Japan, Delegation of the European Union to Japan
- Sumiko Takeuchi, Senior Fellow, International Environment and Economy Institute
- Moderator: Tatsuya Terazawa, Chairman and CEO, The Institute of Energy Economics, Japan



Networking Lunch: Sushi, Sukiyaki Beef and Vegetarian Bentos



#4 Breakout Sessions

[Business] Cool Japan Rebooted: Japan's Soft Power & Its Creative Economy

- Tony Elison, Managing Director, Spotify Japan
- Harry Tanaka, CEO / Co-Founder, Studio Muso Inc.
- Sakiko Yamada, CEO, FOOD LOSS BANK, CEO, Splendent Media, CCO, Sports Doctors Network
- Moderator: Tak Umezawa, Japan Chairman and Senior Partner, A.T. Kearney, Chairperson, CIC Japan



[Politics] Japan's Global Economic Priorities and Strategy: New Leaders, New Opportunities

- Kirby Daley, STAT Asia Consulting
- Noah Sneider, Tokyo Bureau Chief, The Economist Newspaper Limited
- Keiko Tashiro, Member of the Board, Deputy President, Daiwa Securities Group Inc.
- Moderator: Jesper Koll, Expert Director, Monex Group



[Technology] Creating Value with AI: Its Path to Adoption in Business and Daily Life

- Shane Gu, Research Scientist & Manager, Google DeepMind
- Cory Ondrejka, CTO, SmartNews, Inc.
- Moderator: Richard B. Dasher, Director, US-Asia Technology Management Center, Stanford University



[Society] Special Dialogue with CEO of Hoshino Resorts: Its Strategy in Japan and Plans for Global Expansion

- Speaker: Yoshiharu Hoshino, CEO, Hoshino Resorts Co., Ltd.
- Moderator: Terrie Lloyd, CEO, Japan Travel K.K.



#5 Breakout Sessions

[Business] How to Upskill Our People in the Age of AI

- Stephen Barnham, CIO and CDO, Dai-ichi Life Holdings, Inc.
- Tatsuo Kinoshita, Executive Officer, Group Chief Human Resources Officer (Group CHRO), Panasonic Holdings Corporation
- Miho Tanimoto, Global Chief HR Officer, Dentsu Group
- Moderator: Wakana Tanaka, Country Manager, LinkedIn Japan



[Politics] How to Combat Fake News in an AI-driven World

- Alice Albrecht, Sr. Director AI Product, SmartNews
- Antoine Calendrier, Vice Chair, Corporate Affairs & Trust Services, Edelman APAC
- Lisa Kaplan, Founder & CEO, Alethea
- Takashi Nakazaki, Attorney, Anderson Mori & Tomotsune
- Moderator: Ross Rowbury, Senior Managing Director, Co-head of Group Corporate Communications, Nomura Holdings



[Technology] Healthcare in the AI Era

- Peter Gruss, Former President, Max Planck Society, President Emeritus, OIST
- Kei Katsuno, Director, Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.
- Anna Nakayasu, Investment Professional, Globis Capital Partners
- Moderator: Sho Okiyama, CEO, Aillis, Inc.



[Society] From Crisis to Collaboration: The Rising Tide of Middle East - Far East Partnerships

- Fathiya Al Rashdi, VP for Program Affairs, Royal Academy of Management
- Hakima Bathaoui, Vice President, Head of Middle East Market, Tokyu Hotels & Resorts Co., Ltd.
- Shuji Hosaka, Senior Advisor for Research, JIME Center, The Institute of Energy Economics, Japan
- Naomi Yamamoto, Senior Manager, International Trade, Economics, Data and Statistics, NEOM
- Moderator: Toru Takahashi, President and CEO, GLOBIS Europe BV



#6 Plenary Session: "How Humans Evolve with AI"



-Keiichiro Asao, Minister of the Environment, Member of the House of Councilors
-Arun Sundararajan, Harold Price Professor of Entrepreneurship; Director, Fubon Center for Technology, Business and Innovation, NYU Stern School of Business
-Gillian Tett, Columnist & Editorial Board, Financial Times
Moderator: Jesper Koll, Expert Director, Monex Group



Closing Session with G1 Global Advisory Board Members

Reception Party: G1 LuckyFes Night with CANDY TUNE from KAWAII LAB



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Feedback from Participants

How was the conference today?

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Please evaluate our operations.

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(5-point scale)

Super energetic and interesting conference. I learned a lot, met interesting people and long-lost contacts, and came away with lots of new ideas and excitement.

Fantastic variety of interesting and relevant topics.

Superb sessions that explain Japan and the world very well.

The very strong theme covered many dimensions of AI, it's applications and impacts. I thought this was very well programmed.

I was deeply inspired by Hori-san and the GLOBIS team for their incredible energy and dedication in organizing this event. I particularly enjoyed listening to experts from outside my field... I took many notes and gained valuable perspectives.

Operationally excellent. Everyone was attentive and friendly.

Punctual time keeping and frankly managed Q&A sessions.

World class speakers and insights.

Smooth operations, convenient venue, good agenda!

Really enjoyed making new friends and catching up with old ones. G1 is a powerful platform. I look forward to contributing more!

Very high bandwidth, signal-to-noise ratio conference. A personal annual favorite!

Congratulations to Brian and the organizing team for putting together another delightful and inspiring G1 global event.

The highlight of my year, as usual! I'm looking forward to taking part in the next G1 Conference. Thank you!



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