ESRI International Conference 2026 (as of 28 July, 2026)
"The Japanese economy over the first quarter of the 21st Century"

Date: 6 August 2026
Venue : Akasaka Intercity Conference Center (with Online Audience)

Program	
9:30- 9:35	Welcome Remark Hiroshi Nomura, President, ESRI
9:35-10:25	Keynote Speech (*2) Chair: Alan J. Auerbach, UC Berkeley Speaker: Mary C. Daly, President and CEO, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
10:25-10:40	Coffee Break
10:40-12:00	Session 1: Why has deflation been so persistent over years? Chair: Anil K. Kashyap, The University of Chicago Speaker: Laurence M. Ball, Johns Hopkins University Discussant: Tsutomu Watanabe, The University of Tokyo
12:00-13:10	Lunch Break
13:10-14:30	Session 2: The role of fiscal policy Chair: Takeo Hoshi, The University of Tokyo Speaker: Hiroaki Miyamoto, Hitotsubashi University Discussant: Alan J. Auerbach, UC Berkeley
14:30-14:45	Coffee Break
14:45-16:05	Session 3: Structural reform and private sector dynamism Chair: Alan J. Auerbach, UC Berkeley Speaker: Anil K. Kashyap, The University of Chicago Takeo Hoshi, The University of Tokyo Discussant: Naoki Takayama, Hitotsubashi University
16:05-16:20	Coffee Break
16:20-17:50	Panel: Increasing uncertainties and the role of government – past, present and future Chair: Kazumasa Iwata, President, Japan Center for Economic Research Panelists: Hiroshi Nomura, ESRI Bronwyn H. Hall, UC Berkeley, MPI Munich Ali Hortacsu, The University of Chicago Harukata Takenaka, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies
17:50-18:00	Closing Remark Atsushi Seike, Honorary President, ESRI

Notes

*1. This conference will be held as a closed meeting except for the keynote speech.

*2. The keynote speech will be livestreamed on the website of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. Its transcript and video recording will also be published on the website.

*3. The program is subject to change.