



# LUNCH SEMINAR

## on the Japanese Economy

at the Maison franco-japonaise

## "The Koizumi's Economic Reforms and Perspectives for the Japanese Economy"

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### Summary

I had served the Council of Economic and Fiscal Policy for 5 years under the Prime Minister Koizumi. I will explain what challenges the Japanese economy faced, how economic policies were designed during the five years of Mr. Koizumi's cabinet, and how the Japanese economy responded. I will also discuss the future of the Japanese economy. In particular, I will focus on fiscal consolidation, and economic growth under declining population.

### Biography



Hiroshi YOSHIKAWA is Professor of Economics at the Faculty of Economics of Tokyo University. From 2001 to 2006, he has been a member of the Council on Economic and Fiscal Policy (CEFP) and is now a member of the Tax Commission. As one of the world leading macroeconomists, he is the author of many books and articles, among others: Macroeconomics and the Japanese Economy (Oxford university press, 1995), Japan's Lost Decade (LTCB International Library/International House of Japan, 2002), Reconstructing Macroeconomics (with Masanao Aoki, Cambridge university press, 2006).

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Nichifutsu Kaikan (MFJ) : Shibuya-ku, Ebisu, 3-9-25

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