



November 24, 2006

**The Global Security Research Institute, Keio University
Seminar: International Efforts Towards Global Health Security**

The Global Security Research Institute (G-SEC: Director; Professor Heizo Takenaka, the former Minister of General Affairs, est.2004) of Keio University is organizing a seminar entitled "International Efforts Towards Global Health Security", inviting health security experts from UK, Canada and Germany. The seminar offers special opportunities to learn the latest efforts of these countries to enhance securities against new threats to the society such as new types of influenza and bio-terrorism.

The G-SEC Research Institute was established aiming to conduct scientific research on topics selected from among the problems faced by the modern society, which should be studied today in anticipation of future changes in the world, expecting that the outcome will contribute to policy recommendation and objective assessment.

As one of the projects of the Institute, the Global Health Security Group (Chief Investigator; Professor Tsutomu Takeuchi, School of Medicine) under the Interdisciplinary Study on Risk Management of the "Academic Frontier Project" for Private Universities: matching-fund subsidy from the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) (Head; Professor Taro Nishimura, Vice-President of Keio University) has conducted research focusing on the impact of emerging/re-emerging diseases on a safe and secure society.

The group is organizing this seminar, offering special opportunities to learn the progress in international efforts and to exchange opinions between international and Japanese experts and academics.

We expect the participants to gain many practical ideas for future research and national policy developments. We, therefore, invite the member of the press and media to this unique opportunity.

- Time and Date: Friday, December 07, 2006, from 16:00 to 18:30
Venue: G-SEC. Lab., 6F East Research Building, Mita Campus, Keio University
2-15-45 Mita, Minato-ku, Tokyo
<http://www.keio.ac.jp/accessmaps/index.html#mita>
Organizer: Global Security Research Institute, Keio University
Target Audience: Scholars, Graduate Students, Experts and Journalists upon registration in advance
Language: English (English and Japanese with simultaneous translation)
Seating Capacity: 100 participants
Program: Please refer to the next page
URL: <http://www.gsec.keio.ac.jp/event/20061207e.html> (English)
<http://www.gsec.keio.ac.jp/event/20061207j.html> (Japanese)

*Please note that taking photos and sound recording are not allowed during the seminar except opening remarks.

For those of you interested in covering the event, please contact our office.

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Programme

Opening	
16:00	<p>Opening Remarks</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Prof. Tsutomu Takeuchi G-SEC Senior Research Fellow Department of Tropical Medicine and Parasitology, Keio University School of Medicine</p> <p>Welcome Address</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Prof. Heizo Takenaka Director, Keio Global Security Research Institute Keio University</p>
Presentations	
16:15 –	<p>1 . Global Health Security Initiatives: The GHSI</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Dr. Ronald St. John Director-General, Centre for Emergency Preparedness and Response Public Health Agency, Canada</p>
16:45 –	<p>2 . Organizational changes in response to health security</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Dr. Nigel F. Lightfoot Director, Emergency Response Division Health Protection Agency Centre for Emergency Preparedness and Response, United Kingdom</p>
17:15 –	<p>3 . Linkage between research and policy development against bioterrorism</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Prof. Walter Biederbick Head, Federal Information Center for Biosecurity Robert Koch Institute, Germany</p>
17:45 –	<p>4 . Bio-security research in Japan</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Prof. Tsutomu Takeuchi G-SEC Senior Research Fellow Department of Tropical Medicine and Parasitology, Keio University School of Medicine, Japan</p>
Discussion	
18:15 –	<p>Overall comments and discussion</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator : Dr Hiroki Nakatani G-SEC Senior Research Fellow Director-General, Department of Health and Welfare of Disabled Persons Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, Government of Japan</p>
Closing	
18:30 –	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Prof. Taro Nishimura Vice-President, Keio University</p>

*Please note the above titles of the lectures are preliminary and might be changed.