

## Biography of New Executive Board Member

### **OBINATA Kuniko**

Born 16 April 1972

Project Manager, Dentsu Public Relations. President, Paralympians Association of Japan; board of directors (permanent member), Japan Para-Ski Federation; Governing Board member, Japanese Para-Sports Association; Vice President and Athletes' Committee Chair, Japanese Paralympic Committee.



Five-time Winter Paralympian (alpine skiing). Gold medalist.

Injured in a traffic accident age three; right leg amputated, left leg permanently injured. First experienced sit skiing as a second-year high school student. First Paralympic appearance the 1994 Lillehammer Games. Won Japan's first Winter Paralympics gold medal at the 1998 Nagano Games. Competed in a total of five Winter Paralympic Games, through Vancouver 2010, winning 10 medals. Chef de Mission of Japanese delegation to PyeongChang 2018 Games.

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### SAIKI Naoko

Born 11 October 1958

Visiting Professor, Graduate School of Public Policy,

The University of Tokyo

Director, Sojitz Corporation

Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Development Bank of Japan Inc.

Vice President, Japan Skating Federation

Director, Japan Rugby Football Union

Executive Board Member, World Rugby

Council Member, Japan Sports Agency



She Graduated from the Faculty of Law, the University of Tokyo in 1982, and joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

She has served as the Director of the Second North America Division, the Director of the Legal Affairs Division, the Director of the Economic Policy Division, the Director of the Financial Affairs Division, Deputy Press Secretary, Director General for Cultural Affairs, Director General of the Economic Affairs Bureau, Director General of the International Legal Affairs Bureau, Director General of the Foreign Service Training Institute and others.

She participated in the bid activity for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games, which was undertaken by 'All Japan', as Director General for Cultural Affairs, in charge of sport exchange.

She retired from Government in 2019.

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### **SASAKI Kaori**

Born May 12, 1959

Founder & CEO, ewoman, Inc.

Founder & CEO, UNICUL International, Inc.

Outside Director, Kobayashi Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.

Outside Director, Japan Post Co., Ltd.

Outside Director, AGP Co., Ltd.

Subcommittee Member of Labor Policy Council/Labor Policy Basic Subcommittee

Leadership Champion, World Bank Women Entrepreneurs Funding Initiative (We-Fi)



After graduating from Sophia University, Ms. Sasaki established Unicul International, Inc., an agency that provides interpreters and translation services. In 2000, she launched ewoman Inc., a diversity consulting company, and set up ewoman.jp to give working women a platform to exchange their opinions.

With the mission of "Diversity leads innovation" ewoman works with companies to drive human resource development and organizational reforms. Ms. Sasaki, a leading expert on diversity, devised the world's first "Diversity Index" to quantify the diversity of an organization and its supply chain. A sought-after speaker, she has given many lectures on diversity both in Japan and overseas. ewoman also hosts Japan's largest diversity conference, The International Conference for Women in Business, which held its 25th annual conference online last year.

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### **SHIRAISHI Yaeko**

Born 4 November 1951

President, Tokyo Sports Association for Persons with Disabilities



Ms. SHIRAISHI entered Tokyo Metropolitan Government in 1974, where she worked in health care administration and welfare administration and served as the Director of Secretariat to Audit and Inspection Commissioners and Director of the Secretariat to the Tokyo Metropolitan Assembly. She retired from the Tokyo Metropolitan Government in 2011.

After retiring from Government, she served as Chairperson at the Tokyo Metropolitan Social Welfare Corporation and had taken on the role of Chairperson of the Tokyo Metropolitan Sports Association for the Disabled since June 2018.

In addition to her current position, Ms. SHIRAISHI is an Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Tokyo Metro Co., Ltd., a Director of the Japanese Para-Sports Association, and a Vice President of the Tokyo Marathon Foundation.

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### **SHIRAHASE Sawako**

Born 17 September 1958

Professor, Graduate School of Humanities and Sociology, the University of Tokyo

Vice President, International Sociological Association

Chairman, Research group on the Impacts of COVID-19 Pandemic on Women and their Issues, Gender Equality Bureau Cabinet Office



Sawako Shirahase is a professor of sociology in the Graduate School of Humanities and Sociology, the University of Tokyo. She received her D.Phil in sociology from University of Oxford, and joined the University of Tokyo in 2006. She became a professor at the Department of Sociology in 2010. She served as Associate Dean of Graduate School of Humanities and Sociology from 2014 to 2016, and became Vice President of the University of Tokyo in 2018. She is currently Executive Vice President of the University of Tokyo for International Affairs. Her main research interests include social stratification and social demography, aging, inequality in income and wealth, and family and social security system in cross-national perspectives. Her most recent publications include *Todai Juku: Demography and Society: Looking for the Future in Japan* (ed.) (2019, Tokyo: University of Tokyo Press 2019), and "Social stratification theory and population aging reconsidered" (2021, forthcoming, *Social Science Japan Journal*).

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### **TAKAHASHI Naoko**

Born 6 May 1972

Executive Board Member, Japan Association of Athletics Federations

Executive Board Member, Japanese Olympic Committee

Chairperson, The Tokyo Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Game Athletes Committee

Chairperson, Parasports Promotion Network

Sports caster

JICA Supporter



Ms. TAKAHASHI received a gold medal in Marathon at Sydney 2000 Olympic Games and received the National Honor Award in the same year. In 2001, she became the first woman to set a marathon world record – at less than 2 hours and 20 minutes.

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### **HAGA Mitsue**

Born 20 August 1953

Representative, Noboribetsu Asili Group



Ms.HAGA became a member of the Noboribetsu Ainu Association in 1982, where she served as Noboribetsu Ainu Association Life Counselor between 2014-2018. In 2015, she received the Hokkaido Ainu Association Craft Exhibition Encouragement Award, and in 2016 Hokkaido Ainu Association Craft Exhibition Excellence Award. In 2020, her self-designed Ainu embroidery mask was presented to the Chief Cabinet Secretary, where the traditional Ainu design was broadcast on nationwide TV.

Since 2015, she has been teaching Ainu language place names, Ainu pattern paper-cutting, and ancient dance and singing at elementary schools in the cities of Noboribetsu, Muroran, and Date. She also teaches Ainu embroidery at Tosho High School in Muroran City and teaches Ainu traditional clothes-making at a community group.

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### **HAYASHI Izumi**

Born 20 August 1958

Attorney-at-Law, Partner of Sakurazaka Law Offices



Attorney since 1987, following experience as a public prosecutor. Specializes in negotiations and dispute resolution regarding corporate law and intellectual property law.

Previously Chairperson, Committee on Intellectual Property Rights, Japan Federation of Bar Associations; President, Japan Intellectual Property Arbitration Center; visiting professor, Chuo Law School; member, Cabinet Office Regulatory Reform Council.

Currently member of Intellectual Property Strategy Headquarters (Cabinet Secretariat); Tokyo District Court Mediator (intellectual property mediation); Director of Hitotsubashi University; managing director of IP Lawyers Network Japan.

Member of selection committees for the Tokyo 2020 Games emblem, mascot, medals, etc.



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### **HIBINO Nobuko**

Born 23 March 1967

Professor, Faculty of Culture and Sport Policy, Toin University of Yokohama

Honorary Professor, School of Sport and Exercise Science, University of Worcester



She completed the PhD degree at Institute of Sport and Leisure Policy, Loughborough University in 2013 and master degree at School of Sport and Exercise Sciences at Loughborough University in 2004. Her major research field is Sport Policy Science.

Member of Urban Planning and Sustainability Commission, Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games; Board member of Japanese Para-Sports Association; Advisor of Paralympians Association of Japan; Board member of Japan Inclusive Football Federation; Board member of Japan Wheelchair Basketball Federation; Board member of Japan Olympic Academy; Board member of Japanese Society of Policy for Physical Education and Sport; Board member of, Japanese Association of Sports Psychiatry.

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### **MOMII Keiko**

Born 30 May 1972

Senior Executive Board Member, Japanese Olympic Committee



Joined the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) in 1995. Previously researcher, OECD Center for Educational Research and Innovation; researcher, National Institute for Educational Policy Research; planning officer, Office of the Director-General for International Affairs (MEXT); division chief, Japan Sports Agency Competitive Sports Division; public relations officer, MEXT.

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### **YANO Harumi Gomi**

Born 14 January 1968

Professor

Associate Dean, Office of Medical Education

Center for Infectious Diseases

School of Medicine, International University of Health and Welfare



Trustee, Japanese Association for Infectious Diseases; Board of Executive Directors, Japan Society for Medical Education; Board of Executive Directors, American College of Physicians Japan Chapter.

Specialist in infectious diseases certified by the Japanese Association for Infectious Diseases, Diplomate, American Board of Internal Medicine, United States, Certified in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (DTM&H), United Kingdom, and Certified physician in Travel Medicine by the International Society of Travel Medicine.

Previously served as Assistant Professor, Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases; Associate Professor, Jichi Medical University Center for Clinical Infectious Diseases; Professor, University of Tsukuba Faculty of Medicine.

Government responsibilities: Committee memberships: Judges' Committee, Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Public Awareness Activity Award (Cabinet Secretariat/MEXT/MHLW/MAFF); Committee for the Promotion of Measles & Rubella Countermeasures (MHLW); 114th & 115th National Medical Licensure Examination Provision Committee (MHLW); MICE Ambassador (JNTO); Model Core Curriculum Research Team (MEXT/Japan Society for Medical Education); Ibaraki Prefecture Infection Control Committee Member; Ibaraki Prefecture Ryugasaki Public Health Center Infectious Disease Diagnostic Council, etc.

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### **RAITA Kyoko**

Born 17 August 1963

Professor, School of Health and Sport Science,  
Chukyo University



Doctorate, Graduate School of Health and Sport Science, Chukyo University

Master's, Graduate School of Education\*, Kobe University

Bachelor's, School of Education\*, Kobe University

\*Institutional title at time of graduation

Director, Japan Society of Physical Education, Health and Sports Sciences; President, Japan Society for Sport and Gender Studies; board of directors, Japan Society of the History of Physical Education and Sport; member of the Science Council of Japan.

Member of the Council on Partnership Agreements with Universities and Colleges, Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games; member of the Olympic Movement Commission, Japanese Olympic Committee; board of directors, Japan Olympic Academy.

Specializes in the history of the Olympic movement and in sport and gender.