

International Conference

**“Growth Driven by Trade, Investment and Economic Cooperation:
East Asian Experience in Economic Development and Cooperation”
(at Ubuntu Village, South Africa)**

The Research Institute of Economy, Trade and Industry (RIETI), in cooperation with the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI), will hold the following event on the sideline of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD) to be held in Johannesburg, South Africa from August 26 to September 4, 2002.

The RIETI international conference will examine development supported by trade and investment and subsequent economic growth, as was experienced by East Asia, which is just as important as economic aid targeted at poverty reduction, one of the main themes at the summit. At the conference, panelists will evaluate the experience of Asian dynamism and attempt to draw lessons for developing regions outside East Asia.

Members of the media, who will be in Johannesburg for the summit, are welcome to join this event, to be held in Ubuntu Village, the official exhibition site near the summit venue.

Date: September 1, 2002 13:00-15:00

Place: Japan Pavilion, Ubuntu Village, Republic of South Africa

Program: [Keynote Speech]

Kenichi Ohno (Consulting Fellow, RIETI / Professor, GRIPS)

[Panel Discussion]

Moderator: Yoshihiko Sumi (METI)

Panelists: Jeffrey Sachs (Columbia University)

Narongchai Akrasanee

(former Thai Minister of Commerce)

Other participants to be announced.

To participate: All accredited visitors with the official South African host country accreditation pass are welcome.

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Online reference: <http://www.rieti.go.jp/meti/asia-d/index.html>

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