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In 1978, Professor Okimoto co-founded the Shorenstein Asia/Pacific Research Center at Stanford, a leading center for scholarly research, public policy analysis, and policy outreach, where he served as the Director for more than ten years. He has been Vice-Chairman of the Japan Committee of the National Research Council at the National Academy of Sciences, the Research Institute on the Economy, Trade, and Industry, and a member of the Advisory Council of the Department of Politics at Princeton University.

He has served on the Board of Directors of several Silicon Valley start-ups, including SOMA Networks and Zepton. He is currently a Senior Advisor to the LS Corporation in South Korea, Senior Advisor to Harbor Pacific Capital, a venture capital fund based in Silicon Valley, an Advisor to Decongel, and a Senior Advisor to Formation8 Partners, an investment growth fund in IT and Energy. Since 1995, he has also been a member on the Board of Directors of the San Diego Padres, and an advisor to the Boston Red Sox.

From 1984 – 2000, Dr. Okimoto served as a special policy advisor to US Senator Bill Bradley. He worked on Senator Bradley's Presidential Campaign in 1999 – 2000. Since August 2009, Dr. Okimoto has been a Special Policy Advisor for US Ambassador to Japan, John V. Roos, particularly on policy issues related to clean technology, entrepreneurship and innovation. He serves on the Board of Councilors of the US-Japan Council.

In 2004, Professor Okimoto received the Japanese Foreign Minister's Commendation in recognition of his contributions to US-Japan relations during the 150th year celebration of bilateral relations.

In 2007, he was awarded the "Order of the Rising Sun with Goldray Neck Ribbon" by the Japanese government, the highest honor that can be

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In 2009, Professor Okimoto was awarded “The Lifetime Achievement Award” by the Keizai Society, US-Japan Business Council of Silicon Valley.

Professor Okimoto earned a BA from Princeton University, received an MA from Harvard University, and earned a PhD (Political Science) from the University of Michigan. He is the author and editor of numerous books and articles, including *Between MITI and the Market: Japanese Industrial Policy for High Technology* and co-editor, *The Political Economy of Japan and Competitive Edge: The Semiconductor Industry in the U.S. and Japan* and, “The Financial Crisis and America’s Capital Dependence on Japan and China,” in *Asia-Pacific Review*, Vol. 16, No. 1, May 2009.

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