INVITATION



Switzerland and the Asian Development Bank:

50 Years of Partnership for Developing Asia and the Pacific

On the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the 50th year of Switzerland's membership in ADB, the Swiss Confederation, ADB, the University of St. Gallen and the Swiss-Japanese Chamber of Commerce are inviting you to celebrate a long-standing development partnership

on Thursday, 19 October 2017 4:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. University of St. Gallen

Dr. Bambang Susantono

Vice-President Asian Development Bank Amb. Raymund Furrer

Governor for Switzerland to the Asian Development Bank

Head of Economic Cooperation and Development, SECO

Prof. Dr. Thomas Bieger

President University of St. Gallen **Martin Herb**

President Swiss-Japanese Chamber of Commerce

EVENT ADDRESS

Campus-E, University of St. Gallen (Einstein Congress Hotel)
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PROGRAM

Thursday, 19 October 2017

Registration & Welcome Drinks from 4:45 p.m.

5:15 p.m. Opening Speech by Ambassador Raymund Furrer, Governor for Switzerland to the ADB;

Head of Economic Cooperation and Development, SECO

Keynote Address by Dr. Bambang Susantono, ADB Vice-President (to be confirmed)

5:45 p.m. Panel Discussion on Closing Asia's Infrastructure Gap: Opportunities

and Challenges for the Public and Private Sector

Dr. Yasuyuki Sawada, Chief Economist, ADB

H. E. Ambassador Etsuro Honda, Ambassador of Japan to Switzerland

Ambassador Raymund Furrer, Governor for Switzerland to the ADB; Head of Economic Cooperation and Development, SECO

Ms. Eunice Zehnder-Lai, CEO, IPM, Board Member Asia Society Switzerland

Prof. Dr. Simon Evenett, Professor of International Trade and Economic Development,

University of St. Gallen

7:00 p.m. Networking Apéro Riche with photo and video exhibition on ADB's achievements over

the last 50 years and cooperation projects with Switzerland

SWITZERLAND AND THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

The Asian Development Bank, a regional multilateral development bank based in Manila, is dedicated to reducing poverty in Asia and the Pacific through inclusive and environmentally sustainable economic growth and regional integration. Established in 1966, ADB is celebrating years of development partnership in the region working with governments, the private sector, academia, think-tanks and civil society organizations.

ADB is owned by 67 members and Switzerland has been a member since 1967. ADB's mission is consistent with Switzerland's objectives of reducing poverty and disaster risks while facilitating environmentally and socially sustainable economic development. Switzerland's longstanding development cooperation with the ADB has resulted in numerous successful co-financing projects as well as collaborations with multiple Swiss companies and consultants. ADB has mobilized and invested more than \$250 billion in infrastructure, research and knowledge sharing to reduce poverty and improve people's lives in the region.





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Detailed Program

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Thursday, 19 October 2017 Einstein Congress Hotel, Campus-E, University of St. Gallen

10:00 – 12:00	Lecture (optional)
	Senior Asian Development Bank (ADB) representative
16:45 – 17:15	Registration & Welcome Drinks, Photo and Video Exhibition
17:15 – 17:20	Opening Remarks
	Ambassador Raymund Furrer , Governor for Switzerland to the ADB, Head of Economic Cooperation and Development, SECO
17:20 – 17:40	Keynote Video Address and Thematic Input
	Keynote Video Address by Dr. Bambang Susantono , Vice-President, ADB Thematic Input on "Asia Development Outlook Update 2017", ADB's newest flagship report by Dr. Yasuyuki Sawada , Chief Economist, ADB
17:40 – 18:50	Panel Discussion
	Closing Asia's Infrastructure Gap: Opportunities and Challenges for the Public and Private Sector
	Panelists:
	- Dr. Yasuyuki Sawada,
	Chief Economist, ADB - H.E. Ambassador Etsuro Honda,
	Ambassador etsulo horida, Ambassador of Japan to Switzerland
	- Ambassador Raymund Furrer,
	Governor for Switzerland to the ADB,
	Head of Economic Cooperation and Development, SECO
	 Ms Eunice Zehnder-Lai, CEO IPM, Board Member Asia Society Switzerland
	- Prof. Dr. Simon Evenett,
	Professor of International Trade and Economic Development, University of St. Gallen
18:50 –19:00	Wrap-up
	Ms Eunice Zehnder-Lai,
	CEO IPM, Board Member Asia Society Switzerland
19:00	Networking Apéro Riche
	A fusion of Asian and Swiss cuisine
19:15 – 19:20	Reception Host Welcome Remarks
	Prof. Dr. Thomas Bieger, President of the University of St. Gallen









Train schedules

9:35 / 9:48	Participants arrive at St. Gallen train station
	departing from: Geneva 05:42, Bern 7:32, Zurich 8:39
16:35 / 16:48	Participants arrive at St. Gallen train station
	departing from: Geneva 12:42, Bern 14:32, Zurich 15:39
20:12	Participants depart from St. Gallen train station
	Zurich 21:32, Bern 22:28, Geneva 00:41
20:42	Participants depart from St. Gallen train station
	Zurich 21:53, Bern 23:02, Geneva 01:11

Keynote Address

Dr. Bambang Susantono, Vice-President of the ADB

Dr. Bambang Susantono is the Vice-President for Knowledge Management and Sustainable Development of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) since 2015. Dr. Susantono is responsible for management of ADB's Sustainable Development and Climate Change Department, Economic Research and Regional Cooperation Department, and Department of External Relations. Prior to this, Dr. Susantono was the Vice-Minister of Indonesia's Ministry of Transportation and Deputy Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development. He has extensive experience providing policy advice to government, private sector organizations and international institutions. He chaired several research institutes including the Center for Sustainable Infrastructure Development of the University of Indonesia. His areas of expertise are infrastructure planning, urban and regional development, and project finance. Dr. Susantono holds a PhD in Infrastructure Planning and Master's degrees in Transportation Engineering, and City and Regional Planning from the University of California Berkeley. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from the Bandung Institute of Technology











Dr. Yasuyuki Sawada, Chief Economist of the ADB

Dr. Yasuyuki Sawada is the chief spokesperson for ADB on economic and development trends, and leads the Economic Research and Regional Cooperation Department, which publishes ADB's flagship knowledge products. Dr. Sawada is Professor of Economics at the University of Tokyo, Japan. Earlier, he was an Adjunct Professor of Economics at the Korea University; a Research Associate at the Australia-Japan Research Centre, Crawford School of Public Policy, Australian National University; and a Visiting Researcher at the Asian Development Bank Institute. Previously, he researched at a variety of institutions, including the Japan International Cooperation Agency Research Institute as well as the World Bank; Economic Research Institute of ASEAN and East Asia, where he led a number of large-scale development policy evaluation projects in Asia and other developing countries. He holds a Doctorate degree in Economics and a Master's degree in International Development Policy from Stanford University, USA; a Master's degree in International Relations from the University of Tokyo, Japan and a Master's degree in Economics from Osaka University, Japan.



H.E. Ambassador Etsuro Honda, Ambassador of Japan to Switzerland

H.E. Etsuro Honda is Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to Switzerland since March 2016. Formerly with the Japanese Finance Ministry, he was one of the most influential economic policy advisors of the Abe administration and provided recommendations on international monetary policy, Abenomics, and fiscal policy. Ambassador Honda previously served as Special Advisor to the Cabinet, is Professor at the School of International Relations of the University of Shizouka and worked as Executive Director for Japan in the European Bank for Reconstruction & Development.



Amb. Raymund Furrer, Governor for Switzerland to the ADB

Ambassador Raymund Furrer (*1960), lic.phil. I. Since 1 October 2015 in charge of the Economic Cooperation and Development Division and Delegate of the Swiss Government for Trade Agreements. Before this, Head of the Swiss Business Hub in the Gulf Countries and since 1 April 2014 additionally Consul General of Switzerland in Dubai. Between April 2008 and August 2012 heading the Multilateral Cooperation Division. Before this, Senior Advisor of the Executive Director at the World Bank in Washington, head of the Bilateral Economic Relations with Asia at SECO, Head of a WTO section at the Federal Office for Foreign Economic Affairs, first Secretary of the Swiss Delegation of the OECD at Paris, as well as employments at the ADB and at the private Sector.



Ms Eunice Zehnder-Lai, CEO, IPM / Board Member Asia Society Switzerland

Eunice Zehnder is CEO of IPM, an institute that applies psychology to enhance the emotional intelligence of business professionals. She has 20 years of experience in the financial services industry working for LGT Capital Partners, Goldman Sachs and Merrill Lynch in New York, London, Hong Kong and Switzerland, and is a Board Member of Asia Society Switzerland and the Geberit Group. Eunice received her Bachelor's degree from Harvard University and her M.B.A. from Harvard Business School.



Prof. Dr. Simon J. Evenett, University of St. Gallen

Dr. Simon J. Evenett is Professor of International Trade and Economic Development, and for the past 5 years has also been Academic Director of the MBA, at the University of St. Gallen. He is also the coordinator of the independent trade policy watchdog Global Trade Alert. He earned economics degrees at Cambridge and Yale universities. Previously Professor Evenett taught at Oxford and Rutgers universities, has been a Visiting Professor of Corporate Strategy at Ross School of Business, University of Michigan, a non-resident Senior Fellow of the Brookings Institution in Washington DC, and a World Bank official, twice. Professor Evenett has over 180 publications and comments frequently on leading international economic developments to the media and corporate audiences.









