

# SIS Lecture Series 43

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## Mr. John V. Roos U.S. Ambassador to Japan

Lecture Title:

### “Ties between Japan and the US” - What I expect of the young Japanese generation -

**Date:** Tuesday, July 2, 15:00 – 16:00

**Venue:** Kwansei Gakuin Hall at Uegahara Campus

\*Admission is limited to KGU faculty and students only (KGU ID required).

\*The lecture will be given in English (no interpretation provided).

#### About the lecturer

John Roos has served as U.S. Ambassador to Japan since August 2009, and played a key role in managing the U.S.-Japan relationship during the historic transition of power in Japan. In 2010, he became the first U.S. official ever to attend the commemoration ceremony of the atomic bombing in Hiroshima, and in 2012 the first U.S. ambassador to attend the commemoration ceremony of the atomic bombing in Nagasaki.

Following the devastating earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear crisis in March 2011, Ambassador Roos helped lead the American mission to support Japan's response to the multi-dimensional and unprecedented disaster. In the wake of the U.S. relief efforts, he also led the creation of the TOMODACHI Initiative, a public-private partnership with the Washington-based U.S.-Japan Council, to invest in Japan's next generation of leaders and connect them to the United States.

Prior to his appointment, Ambassador Roos served as Chief Executive Officer and Senior Partner at a leading law firm in the U.S. in the representation of technology, life sciences, and emerging growth companies.

Ambassador Roos grew up in San Francisco and attended Stanford University, where he graduated Phi Beta Kappa with Honors and Distinction, and Stanford Law School, earning his Juris Doctor in 1980, achieving Order of the Coif.

