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# Luncheon Seminar by Professor Noriko Hama

"A New Dawn? Eternal Darkness? : The Japanese Economy in 2010"

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Japan enters a new year with many economic uncertainties and challenges ahead. Popular TV Commentator and Economist **Noriko Hama** of Doshisha University will help us navigate through the complex issues and choices facing the businesses community in Japan.

Without a doubt, the Japanese economy confronts a myriad of problems of almost historic proportions. How will Japan cope with high unemployment and enlarged deficits, debts and deflation? What actions can Japanese policy-makers take? Finally, what is Japan's role in the global economy? In **Professor Hama's** words, "No business can hope to succeed without a clear understanding of what globalization is all about".

Join us for this power luncheon as **Professor Hama** takes us back to the economic future of Kansai and Japan.

Lucky Draw: Win a bottle of wine! (5 people)

- ◇**Date:** Monday February 22nd, 2010
- ◇**Time:** 12:00 noon to 14:00 (Doors Open for Registration at 11:30AM)
- ◇**Venue:** Hilton Hotel Osaka  
1-8-8, Umeda, Kita-ku, Osaka TEL: 06-6347-7111
- ◇**Access:** <http://www.hilton-secure.jp/production/hilton-osaka/access-guide/>
- ◇**Language:** Japanese (with simultaneous translation to English)
- ◇**Price:** ◆ KCBA / OCCI Members: ¥4,500 ◆ Non Members: ¥ 5,500  
(Above prices include lunch)
- ◇**Hosted by :** Kansai Canada Business Association ([www.KCBA-Japan.org](http://www.KCBA-Japan.org))
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\*Registration closes on **February, 19th at 6PM.** Any cancellations received after **February 19th** will be subject to a 100% cancellation fee.

**\*\*To register for this event, please click here:**

<http://www.kcba-japan.org/kcba/event/9/rsvp>

**{PROFILE of Professor Hama}**

**Professor Hama** teaches International Economics and Finance at Doshisha University. She was previously Research Director at the Center for Economic and Policy Studies in the Mitsubishi Research Institute in Tokyo and London from 1990 to 1998. She writes regularly on current issues in newspapers and economic journals including The Mainichi Shimbun, The Japan Times, Les Echos and The Financial Times. She is also a frequent commentator for the BBC's World Service Radio and Television Broadcasts, Japan's NHK Television, CNN and other current affairs media. She also serves on a variety of committees advising the major central government ministries as well as local authorities in Japan.