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## BIOGRAPHY

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Mr. Takada has been working as a government official at the Ministry of Finance (MOF) since 1995. He has had a wide range of experience in policy-making at the heart of the government including public finance, tax, trade policies and financial services. During over 20 years of his career he spent 5 years in the UK: study at Cambridge and LSE (1997-99), and secondment to HM Treasury (the UK finance ministry, 2003-06) where he worked on financial regulation, investment market policies and public spending.



In 2009, Mr. Takada became the first staff of the newly created National Policy Unit and worked in the Prime Minister's Office and the Cabinet Secretariat as an architect of the new public finance framework and as a private advisor to the Prime Minister. After having held senior positions in the Finance Minister's Secretariat responsible for overall coordination and public relations of the Ministry, he was seconded to the OECD, Paris, where he worked as a Senior Policy Analyst at the Green Finance and Investment team, Environment Directorate, from 2015 to 2018.

After his return to Tokyo in 2018, Mr. Takada worked at several offices in the MOF and other parts of the government including the Climate Change Office at the Cabinet Secretariat (2021). From 2022, Mr. Takada serves as the Director for Strategy Development at the Financial Services Agency, responsible for financial market policies including promotion of international financial centres and sustainable finance.

Alongside his official jobs, in his private capacity, Mr. Takada launched the Green Finance Network Japan (GFNJ) in 2018 as its Secretary General. The GFNJ is an informal network that brings together key players on green finance in Japan from both public and private sectors and provides a platform for collaborating with international stakeholders.

Mr. Takada received a Bachelor degree in Law (University of Tokyo), a Master degree in Law (Cambridge University) and an MBA (Imperial College London).