Challenges of UN on Peacebuilding: Roles of US and Japan

The seminar will feature challenges of UN peacebuilding and mediation efforts in conflicted states such as South Sudan, Syria, and Iraq; we will also discuss how the United States and Japan can improve these nation-building enterprises.

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He has been chief of peacebuilding policy in the UN Peacebuilding Support Office in New York since 2010, and led the preparation of the reports of the Secretary-General on peacebuilding. He has also written on such topics as the peace and justice in the post-2015 development agenda and socio-economic factors behind violent conflicts. He obtained a PhD from the New School for Social Research in New York City.



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