

# “Find-Your-Role-Model” Session

## 63rd Session (4th in 2021 Series)

Guest: **Mitsuo Isono, MD, PhD**

Senior Advisor of  
Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)  
18:00-19:00, Monday, December 20th, 2021, via Zoom Meeting



Dr. Mitsuo Isono

<https://www.jica.go.jp/jica-ri/ja/experts/isono-mitsuo.html>

We will host Dr. Mitsuo Isono, a senior adviser of Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). After receiving his MD and Ph.D. from the School of Medicine at Tohoku University, he worked as an Associate Professor in the Department of Neurosurgery at Oita Medical University. Since 2007, he has been working for many years as a senior advisor at the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), contributing to activities in the field of international cooperation. His main areas of expertise are development assistance in the field of health and medical care, infectious disease control, and public health in general. He has worked in approximately 40 countries, mainly focusing on infectious diseases and clinical medicine, including project formulation and evaluation, especially as a project leader for tuberculosis control in Afghanistan, where he has been engaged in field activities for approximately 15 years.

TOPICS	
Personal Background / Mindset	His career vision and its origin, decision-making processes for changing careers paths, what he learned in JICA
Current activities	Daily life as a senior adviser at JICA and differences between that and being an expert for technical cooperation.
Experience on the ground (LMIC)	What he has experienced/sensed throughout various projects at JICA/in Afghanistan and other developing countries
Advice for students/young professionals	Advice for students thinking of engaging in international cooperation and/or global health, what preparation can be done at an early stage in their career

### 【Eligibility】

- Open to all students, residents, post-docs, faculty and staff

### 【Discussion style】

- The guest will share his career experiences, then move on to an interview-style discussion
- Language(s): Japanese, English (on request)

### 【How to apply】 **\*Pre-registration is required.**

- If you would like to attend this session, please visit the webpage with the following QR Code or URL below and check “How to apply”.
- Registration deadline: 13:00 Friday, December 17, 2021→

<https://www.tmdu-global.jp/en/events/202112/FYRM>



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### 【About “Find-Your-Role-Model” Session】

We have been holding a series of events called “Find-Your-Role-Model” Sessions to provide students with opportunities to interact with TMDU alumni and worldwide leaders in healthcare sciences. Through this roundtable-type, relaxed atmosphere event, we hope students will be able to find their role models to help facilitate their career development toward becoming future global leaders.