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Welcome

Continuous Progression in Investment Management

The Nippon Technical Analysts Association (NTAA) is delighted to be hosting the 2015 International Federation of Technical Analysts' conference in Tokyo.

The theme of the Conference, "Continuous Progression in Investment Management," will serve as the framework for the program. The creation of the world's first futures market in Japan, the Osaka Dojima Rice Futures Exchange, gave birth to the concept of technical analysis in the 18th century. Since those pioneering days, analytical methods have never remained static. Technical analysis has markedly progressed from its humble origins – and will continue to do so -- being infused with new ideas and techniques being developed continuously. These new ideas, combined with continual improvements to existing techniques, are what make technical analysis such a fascinating topic. Recently, modern technical analysis has been rapidly gaining ground and is significantly reshaping the landscape of the technical analysis community in Japan.

While Japan was the birthplace of a number of traditional technical analysis techniques (such as Candlestick charting, Ichimoku Cloud charting, Kagi-ashi, Renko-ashi, etc.), it has now one of the world's highest concentrations of modern technical analysis practitioners and researchers. These new breed of technical analysis practitioners include traders deploying ultra-modern algorithmic trading platforms, and researchers developing world-leading sophisticated quantitative trading systems and investment models.

That stated, some of the most intrinsic elements of market rules have not changed, nor will likely change. The Conference will be programmed in such a way to give the delegates a clear perspective of how technical analysis has progressed and where it is heading in the next decade and the next century.

General Information and Key Facts

Venue

Keio Plaza Hotel Tokyo / 2-2-1 Nishi-Shinjuku Shinjuku-Ku, Tokyo 160-8330 Japan

Dates

• 1st October 2015

IFTA Board of Directors meeting, Pre-conference workshop, IFTA AGM & Cocktail party

• Dates 2nd – 4th October 2015

IFTA Conference program, Welcome Reception, Optional Dinner Tour & Conference Dinner (Gala)

Host

Nippon Technical Analysts Association of Japan (NTAA)

Supporting Organizations

Japan Exchange Group (JPX) Japan National Tourism Organization (JNTO)

Conference Director

Akira Homma, CFA, CIIA, CMA, CFTe, CMT, FRM

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Toshiki Tobe
Kazuyuki Namikawa
Kakuya Kojoh, MFTA
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Collaborators

Yoshihisa Hasegawa / Hidetoki Yokoi, CFTe Joe Young / Ian Copsey

Number of Delegates

200-250 (projected)

Sponsorship Costs

From 300,000 yen (approx. US\$2,500 (@120yen/\$))

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'Omotenashi' Conference for All Investment Professionals and Academics

The sub-theme "'Omotenashi' in Technical Analysis" will bestow the conference with a local flavor. 'Omotenashi' is a Japanese word which means "Selfless, harmonious hospitality." We have decided on this sub-theme for the following reasons:

- NTAA is determined to make the utmost effort to ensure that the attending delegates will be thoroughly satisfied, fully benefiting from the intensely condensed conference program in a highly cordial environment.
- The 'Omotenashi' spirit has a lot to do with 'simplicity', the core of the Japanese culture and spirit, which forms the base for, just to name a few, *Sado* (tea ceremony), *Zen*, *Bushido* (Samurai spirit), *Bonsai* (miniaturized trees grown in containers), *Ikebana* (Japanese flower arrangement), and many other unique Japanese cultural arts and customs, and we would like the delegates to enjoy the unique local cultural flavor.
- 'Omotenashi' masters are skilled in foresight with the ability to "anticipate" the feelings of their guests and take action to ensure harmony (well before ordinary people notice), operating in the same way as market masters who know how to correctly "anticipate" future market developments and take action accordingly (well before ordinary market players start reacting to widely known facts).
- Mastery of the 'Omotenashi' spirit helps improves one's trading skills by allowing one to focus on the "essential" rather than minor peripheral detail.

We have deliberately widened the scope of this conference to appeal to the broad financial community as well as the academic community, and not just technical analysts. We will be using our extensive relationships with other financial and educational organizations here and abroad to market the conference globally and are looking to attract delegates from all over the world.

The level of Conference presentations will be geared to professionally employed Fund Managers, Traders, Analysts, Asset Allocators, Private Bankers, Financial Planners, and also highly experienced private financial market traders/investors, as well as researchers and educators at leading academic institutions.

The Conference will be held at the Keio Plaza Hotel, a luxurious hotel located in the Shinjuku district of Tokyo, the business/commercial district which has the highest concentration of skyscrapers in the city.

We look forward to seeing you in Tokyo in October!



Toshiki Aoki, CMTA Chairman, NTAA



Akira Homma, CFA, CIIA, CMA, CFTe, CMT, FRM
Conference Director
Vice President, Asia-Pacific, IFTA

General Information

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Dates 2nd - 4th October 2015

IFTA Conference program, Welcome Reception, Optional Dinner Tour & Conference Dinner (Gala)

Language

The conference will be in **English**.

Simultaneous translation (English-Japanese) will be provided for all sessions.

Conference Registration

Online registration: https://efw.knt.co.jp/neoec/contents/E028636reg/

Venue

Keio Plaza Hotel Tokyo 2-2-1 Nishi-Shinjuku Shinjuku, Tokyo, Japan Phone: +81(3)3344-0111 / URL: http://www.keioplaza.com/

Room Reservation

Delegates can book hotel rooms at special rates available only for conference delegates via the same website you use for registering for the conference. https://efw.knt.co.jp/neoec/contents/E028636reg/

Room Rates

Kaja Diaga Hatal Talvia	Twin room, Single use	Oct. 1,2,4	JPY 24,100 (US\$ 195)*
		Oct. 3	JPY 28,900 (US\$ 234)*
Keio Plaza Hotel Tokyo	Twin room, Twin use	Oct. 1,2,4	JPY 27,800 (US\$ 225)*
		3 - Oct	JPY 32,600 (US\$264)*
Keio Presso Inn	Ceio Presso Inn Single room, Single use		JPY 12,000 (US\$ 97)*
Shinjuku Washington Hotel	Twin room, Single use	Oct. 1,2,	JPY 15,420 (US\$ 125)*
		Oct. 3	JPY 16,500 (US\$ 134)*
		Oct. 4	JPY 12,720 (US\$ 103)*
	Twin room,Twin use	Oct. 1,2	JPY 20,280 (US\$ 164)*
		Oct. 3	JPY 22,440 (US\$ 182)*
		Oct. 4	JPY 18,120 (US\$ 147)*

Getting There

There are two Airports near the Tokyo area, Haneda Airport and Narita International Airport.

[Haneda Airport]

Limousine bus: If you arrive at Haneda Airport, the easiest way to get to the hotel would be the limousine bus. The limousine bus can take you directly to the Keio Plaza Hotel for a nominal fee of around 1,230 yen (10 USD).

[Narita International Airport]

If you plan on arriving at Narita International Airport, there are two options to get to the hotel :

Limousine bus: The limousine bus can take you directly to the Keio Plaza Hotel for a nominal fee of around 3,100 yen (26 USD). (It may be recommended to take the limousine bus back to the airport upon return as there prices will be the same and it will be more convenient.)

Train: Some of the Narita Express (NEX) trains travel directly from Narita Airport to Shinjuku Train station. It costs 3,190 yen (27 USD).



General Information

Visas

As there are different rules and regulations concerning the various countries, it is recommended to read the Japan National Tourism Organization website. The websites URL is: http://www.jnto.go.jp/eng/arrange/essential/visa.html

Language

Japanese is the language of the land. However, everyone knows English to some degree or another. Shinjuku is the heart of English establishments in Tokyo.

Currency & Changing money

Japanese Yen (JPY). US\$ 1.00USD = JPY 123.5 (June 26, 2015). Most major currencies can be easily changed into Japanese yen (e.g. currency exchange at the airports or in the hotel lobby).

Credit card acceptance

Widely accepted in airports, stations, major shops and establishments, as well as at most convenience stores (55,000).

Safety and Security

Public safety is very high. Tokyo was recently named by the Economist Intelligence Unit as the safest city in the world.

Local friendliness, Taxi services, Cleanliness, Public Transportation, etc.

Tokyo topped Trip Advisor's list of the most satisfying cities to visit. In 13 of 16 categories, Tokyo finished in the top 10. It topped five of the categories including: (i) Local friendliness, (ii) Taxi services, (iii) Cleanliness, (iv) Public Transportation, and (v) Overall satisfaction.

Weather

Autumn weather in Japan is very mild, with a cool breeze and the colors of the trees are changing. It is a very lovely time of the year. Recommended apparel is slacks, a light Jacket or other kinds of similar clothing. Temperature usually hover around 15° to 23° (59° F to 73° F) with a humidity of 60° ..

Price Levels and Cost of Living / Staying

It may come as a surprise that the cost of living / staying in Tokyo (and Japan) is very reasonable. Basic necessities such as food, clothing, haircuts, are much less expensive than most other major cities. For example, most bug lunch sets in Japan will run in the neighborhood of 1,000 yen (8.4 USD). A similar portion of food in America or Europe would be at least 10-15 USD. Please examine the link below for a detailed comparison of prices. Overall, one will definitely not spend anything more than if you were in America or Europe.

http://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/compare_countries_result.jsp?country1= Japan&country2=United+States&displayCurrency=USD

Tipping

Japan is in general a tip-free country (at restaurants, cabs, luggage handlers, nowhere do you top).

Tourist Activities

Tokyo is truly a city of unlimited possibilities. It may not be an exaggeration to say that everything that exists in one's imagination exists somewhere in Tokyo. While the professional Guest Relations staff of the conference venue hotel will be happy to provide you with useful sight-seeing and shopping information as well as assistance you may need, it is recommended to buy a travel guide if you are interested in exploring the various sights and sounds of Tokyo (and of Japan). Suggested guides include

the following. These can be purchased at most large book stores or Amazon..

- * The Rough Guide to Tokyo (ISBN-10:1409343111) / The Rough Guide to Japan (ISBN-10:1409342832)
- * Lonely Planet Tokyo (ISBN-10:9781742200408) / Lonely Planet Japan (ISBN-10:1742204147)
- * Fodor's Tokyo (ISBN-10:0804141703) / Fodor's Japan (ISBN-10:0804141851)

IFTA 2015 Tokyo: Conference Highlights

Intensive 4-day program (including Pre-Conference workshop) including:

- ◆ Over 20 individual presentations by eminent speakers
- ◆ Unique Debate / Panel / "Power Hour" sessions
 - [Panel] Technical Research at World-Leading Investment Managers:

 How do world-leading investment management organizations use TA
 to maximize investment performance?; Advice for investment
 performance enhancement
 - [Panel] CFAs & Technical Analysis: Why and how do CFAs use Technical Analysis?
 - [Debate] International Debate on Abenomics : Will it succeed or fail?
 - [Panel] Technical Analysis Education at Universities around the World: How is Technical analysis being taught at increasing numbers of universities around the world?
 - [Debate] Wave Theory Debate: New breeds of Elliotticians vs. Conventional Elliotticians
 - [Power Hour] Technical Analysis à La Carte
 - [Technical Walkabout] Unique round-table icebreaking & networking session, in which all the attending delegates will be participating
- ◆ Pre-Conference Workshop: "Fibonacci Price Projection" by a World-leading Gann analyst

- ... structured to give the attending delegates a first-hand understanding of :
- * A clear perspective of how Technical Analysis has progressed and where it is heading in the next decade and the next century.
- * Cutting-edge TA techniques/ models/ systems
- * How world-leading investment management organizations (hedge fund managers, traditional asset management companies, SWFs, private banks, and others) are incorporating Technical Analysis in their investment management process to enhance investment performance
- * How top-notch investment masters combine Technical Analysis and Fundamental Analysis to continue generating superior performance
- * How Technical Analysis is being taught and researched at increasing numbers of universities around the world
- ... followed by:

Splendid Conference Dinner (Gala), located in a historic hall in Japanese style architecture, standing within the magnificent surroundings of a traditional Japanese garden, and featuring:

- Japanese gourmet dinner
- Sake tasting (and a choice of alcoholic or soft beverages)
- Unique entertainment programs to enjoy traditional and modern Japanese cultural arts

Conference Program: Conference Eve & Day 1

Thursday, October 1st – Friday, October 2nd

Date	Time	Topic	Speakers	
	13:00 ~ 15:30	Pre-conference workshop on "Fibonacci Price Projection" (at 42F Keio Plaza Hotel)	Constance (Connie) Brown, CMT	
Oct /01 (Thu)	16:00 ~ 17:30	IFTA AGM (at "Fuji", 42F Keio Plaza Hotel)	All IFTA colleagues are welcome to attend	
(111.2)	17:30 ~ 19:00	Cocktail Party (at "Takao", 42F Keio Plaza Hotel)	All attending conference delegates are welcome to participate	
	8:30 ~	Registration (at "Eminance Hall", 5F Keio Plaza Hotel)		
	9:00 ~ 9:05	Opening Remarks	Rolf Wetzer, Ph.D.	
	9:05 ~ 9:50	Technical Walkabout	All delegates Guidance: Akira Homma, CFA, CIIA, CMA, CFTe, CMT, FRM Joe Young	
	9:50 ~ 10:20	Keynote Speech: Portfolio changes of Japanese public pension funds and their effects on economy	Yasuhiro Yonezawa, Ph.D.	
	10:20 ~ 10:40	Coffee Break		
	10:40 ~ 11:10	Back to the Futures: Economic Analysis of Rice Futures Market in 18th century Japan	Katsunari Yamaguchi, Ph.D., CFA	
	11:10 ~ 11:50	"DOJIMA" was the First: How was the world's first futures exchange, Osaka Dojima Rice Futures Exchange, born and operated ?	Yasuaki Okamoto	
	11:50 ~ 12:20	Combining Technical Analysis and Fundamental Analysis	John Bollinger, CFA, CMT	
	12:20 ~ 13:20	Lunch (at "Eminence Hall", 5F Keio Plaza Hotel)		
Oct /02 (Fri)	13:20 ~ 13:50	Comprehensive Fibonacci Analysis - A Paradigm of Modern Technical Analysis	Viktor Pershikov, MFTA	
	13:50 ~ 14:20	Algorithmic trading methodology in technical analysis : We need a countermeasure for HFT not only from IT, but also from technical analysis	Hiwon Yoon, Ph.D.	
	14:20 ~ 14:50	Automated Robotic Trading System: The Next Technical Analysis Evolution which Appeals to the New Generation of Traders	Dato' Nazri Khan, Ph.D., CFTe, MSTA	
	14:50 ~ 15:10	Coffee Break		
	15:10 ~ 15:50	Harmonic Elliott Wave	lan Copsey	
	15:50 ~ 16:20	Elliott Wave-based Global Market Projection (prov.)	Naohiko Miyata, CFTe	
	16:20 ~ 16:50	Elliott's Wave Principle - What it is and what it isn't	Murray Gunn, MSTA, CFTe	
	16:50 ~ 17:30	[Debate] Wave Theory Debate: New Breeds of Elliotticians vs. Conventional Elliotticians	Ian Copsey Naohiko Miyata, CFTe Constance (Connie) Brown, CMT Murray Gunn, MSTA, CFTe Mark Galasiewski Other Elliotticians MOD: Ron William, CMT, MSTA	
	18:30 ~	Welcome Reception		

Conference Program: Day 2 Saturday, October 3rd

Date	Time	Topic	Speakers	
	8:30 ~ 9:00	Registration (at "Eminance Hall", 5F Keio Plaza Hotel)		
	9:00 ~ 9:30	The IVPR: Understanding the effects of volatility patterns on market dynamics	Mohamed El Saiid, CFTe, MFTA	
	9:30 ~ 10:00	Mapping the Markets	Robin Griffiths	
	10:00 ~ 10:30	Forecasting Long-term Economic and Social Change Using the Wave Principle	Mark Galasiewski	
	10:30 ~ 10:45	Coffee Break		
	10:45 ~ 11:15	Abenomics and Japan's Economic Future	Hiroko Ota	
	11:15 ~ 12:05	[Debate] International Debate on Abenomics : Will it Succeed or Fail ?	Hiroko Ota Ryoji Musha, CMA Mark Galasiewski Other speakers (buy-side, sell-side economists) MOD: Megumi Takarada, CFA, CIIA	
	12:05 ~ 13:15	Lunch (at "Hana", 4F Keio Plaza Hotel)		
Oct /03 (Sat)	13:15 ~ 13:35	Secular Bulk Market Alive & Kicking	Craig Johnson, CFA, CMT	
(Sat)	13:35 ~ 14:05	Ensemble Neural Networks for Identifying Market Patterns and their Confidence	Tomoya Suzuki, Ph.D., CMTA	
	14:05 ~ 14:45	W.D. Gann's Method of Forecasting Time and Price in Global Financial Markets	Constance (Connie) Brown, CMT	
	14:45 ~ 15:15	Logical Technical Analysis (prov.)		
	15:15 ~ 15:35	Coffee Break		
	15:35 ~ 17:25	[Power Hour] Technical Analysis A La Cartel	Yutaka Yoshino, CFTe Carlos Jaureguizar Katsuhiko Okada, Ph.D. Tom Dorsey Ryuichi, Yamammoto, Ph.D., Ivano Menabue Feng Han, CFA, CMT Yutaka Miura Jeanett Schwarz Young, CFTe, CFP, CMT, MS Kei Nakagawa Howard Wang	
	18:00 ~	Dinner Tour - Optional		

Conference Program: Day 3 Sunday, October 4th

Date	Time	Topic	Speakers	
	8:30 ~	Registration (at "Eminance Hall", 5F Keio Plaza Hotel)		
	9:00 ~ 9:30	Revolutionary Advancement though the Fusion and Distillation of Eastern and Western Technical Analysis	Eiji Kinouchi, CMA	
	9:30 ~ 10:00	Technical Research at Fidelity : Behind the Scenes	David Keller, CMT	
	10:00 ~ 10:30	Technical Research at CQS	Adam Sorab, FSTA	
	10:30 ~ 10:50	Coffee Break		
	10:50 ~ 11:50	[Panel] Technical Research at World-Leading Investment Managers: How do world-leading investment management organizations use Technical Analysis to maximize investment performance?; Advice for investment performance enhancement	David Keller, CMT Adam Sorab, FSTA Frank Teixeira, CFA, CMT Rolf Wetzer, Ph.D. David Sneddon, MFTA Akihiro Niimi, MFTA MOD: Brett Villaume, CMT, CAIA	
	11:50 ~ 12:50	Lunch (at "Eminence Hall", 5F Keio Plaza Hotel)		
	12:50 ~ 13:20	ТВА	Oki Matsumoto	
Oct /04	13:20 ~ 13:50	Technical Analysis Education at Universities around the World	Roman Bogomazov	
(Sun)	13:50 ~ 14:50	[Panel] Technical Analysis Education at Universities around the World: How is Technical Analysis being taught at increasing numbers of universities around the world?	Henry (Hank) Pruden, Ph.D. Roman Bogomazov Mohamed El Saiid, CFTe, MFTA Rolf Wetzer, Ph.D. David Lundgren, CFA, CMT David Furcajg, CFTe, MFTA Maurizio Milano Miguel Jaureguízar MOD: Brett Villaume, CMT, CAIA	
	14:50 ~ 15:05	Coffee Break		
	15:05 ~ 15:35	Recent Trends in Hedge Fund Industry & Fund Flows	Stefan Nilsson	
	15:35 ~ 16:40	[Panel] CFAs & Technical Analysis: Why and how do CFAs use Technical Analysis?	John Bollinger, CFA, CMT Craig Johnson, CFA, CMT David Lundgren, CFA, CMT Feng Han, CFA, CMT Akira Homma, CFA, CIIA, CMA, CFTe, CMT, FRM Other dual holders of CFA & Technical Analysis designation (CFTe/MSTA/Dip.TA/CETA/CMT) MOD: Aurelia Gerber, MBA, CFA	
	16:40 ~ 17:10	Award-giving & Closing Ceremonies		
	18:30 ~	Conference Dinner (GALA) (at Meiji Memorial Hall (Meiji Kinenkan)) - Leaving Keio Plaza Hotel at 18:00		

Speakers

Roman Bogomazov	Adjunct Professor, Golden Gate University
John Bollinger, CFA, CMT	President and Founder, Bollinger Capital Management
Constance (Connie) Brown, CMT	Founder, Aerodynamic Investments Inc.
lan Copsey	Founder of Harmonic Elliott Wave and Private Equity Fund Chief Analyst
Tom Dorsey	President and Co-founder, Dorsey Wright & Associates
Mohamed El Saiid, CFTe, MFTA	Executive Director and Head of the TA Dept., HC Brokerage (HCB), IFTA Director
David Furcagj, CFTe, MFTA	President and Co-founder, Highwave360
Mark Galasiewski	Editor, Elliott Wave International' s Asian-Pacific Financial Forecast (APFF)
Aurélia Gerber, MBA, CFA	Founder and CIO Ghiribizzo GmbH; IFTA Director
Robin Griffiths	Chief Technical Strategist, ECU Group
Murray Gunn, MSTA, CFTe	Head of Technical Research, Global Research, HSBC Bank
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David Keller, CMT	Managing Director of Research for Fidelity Investments
Dato' Nazri Khan, Ph.D., MSFA, CFTe	Vice President and Head of Retail Research, Affin Investment Bank; President of Malaysian Association of Technical Analysts (MATA)
Eiji Kinouchi, CMA	Senior Strategist and Chief Technical Analyst, Daiwa Securities
David Lundgren, CFA, CMT	Vice President and Technical Analyst, Wellington Management
Oki Matsumoto	CEO, Monex Securities
Ivano Menabue	Educator, Technical Analyst
Maurizio Milano	Head of Technical Anlaysis, Banca Sella Group
Naohiko Miyata, CFTe	Chief Technical Analyst, Mitsubishi UFJ Morgan Stanley Securitiest

Ryoji Musha, CMA	President of Musha Research Co., Ltd.; Advisor, Deutsche Securities Inc.; Advisor, Deutsche Asset Management (Japan) Ltd.
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Stefan Nilsson	CEO and Founder, HFC Advisory Group; President and Founder, Hedge Funds Club
Akihiro Niimi, MFTA	Executive Director, AIFAM
Katuhiko Okada, Ph.D.,	Professor of Finance, Kwansei Gakuin University - Institute of Business and Accounting
Yasuaki Okamoto	Chairman, Osaka Dojima Commodity Exchange
Hiroko Ota	Professor, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS); Special Economic Advisor to Japanese Government; Chairwoman of the Board of Directors, Mizuho Financial Group
Viktor Pershikov, MFTA	Consultant Analyst, Forex Club
Henry (Hank) Pruden, PhD.	Professor, Golden Gate University
David Sneddon, MSTA	Managing Director, Credit Suisse Investment Banking Division
Adam Sorab, FSTA	Head of Technical Research at CQS
Tomoya Suzuki, Ph.D., CMTA	Associate Professor at Ibaraki University, Department of Intelligent Systems Engineering
Megumi Takarada, CFA, CIIA	Senior Equity Analyst, Investment Research Division, Toyo Securities Co., Ltd.
Frank Teixeira, CFA, CMT	Senior Vice President, Partner, and Director of Technical Analysis, Wellington Management
Brett Villaume, CMT, CAIA	Senior Vice President, Director of Investor Relations, Opus Bank
Rolf Wetzer, Ph.D.	Founder and CEO, Ghiribizzo GmbH; IFTA President
Ron William, CMT, MSTA	Senior Tactical & Market Timing Strategist for the Technical Research team, ECU Group
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Ryuichi Yamamoto, Ph.D.,	Professor, Waseda University - School of Political Science and Economics
Yasuhiro Yonezawa, Ph.D.	Chairman of the Investment Committee, Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF)
Hiwon Yoon, Ph.D.	President, CMD Laboratory Inc.
Jeanette Schwarz Young, CFTe, CFP, CMT, MS	Examination Director, International Federation of Technical Analysts (IFTA)
Yutaka Yoshino, CFTe	Chief Technical Analyst, SMBC Nikko Securities
Howard Wang	Founder of the Breakout Candlestick, Breakout Relative Strength Index (BRSI), and Profit-Taking Theory CTO, Tradesoft Corp

Subject to change without notice

Conference Venue

Keio Plaza Hotel



URL: http://www.keioplaza.com/

Conference Dinner (Gala) Venue Meiji Momorial Hall (Meiji Kinenkan)



URL: http://www.meijikinenkan.gr.jp/english/

Registration Fees

Full Conference		Early Before July 31	Standard Aug 1 - Sept 30
Three days attendance at the Conference including the Opening Reception (Friday evening).	IFTA Member	JPY 110,000 (Approx. US\$ 917)*	JPY 140,000 (Approx. US\$ 1,167)*
This registration does not include the Conference Dinner (Sunday evening).	IFTA non-Member	JPY 140,000 (Approx. US\$ 1,167)*	JPY 170,000 (Approx. US\$ 1,417)*
One Day Only		Early Before July 31	Standard Aug 1 - Sept 30
Attendance at the Conference all day-time activities on the day of attending only. This registration does not include the Conference Dinner (Sunday evening).	IFTA Member	JPY 50,000 (Approx. US\$ 417)*	JPY 50,000 (Approx. US\$ 417)*
	IFTA non-Member	JPY 60,000 (Approx. US\$ 500)*	JPY 60,000 (Approx. US\$ 500)*
Dinner Tour (Saturday) – Optional	Dinner Tour (Saturday) – Optional		Standard Aug 1 - Sept 30
		JPY 5,000 (Approx. US\$ 42)*	JPY 5,000 (Approx. US\$ 42)*
Conference Dinner (Sunday) – Optional		Early Before July 31	Standard Aug 1 - Sept 30
		JPY 5,000 (Approx. US\$ 42)*	JPY 5,000 (Approx. US\$ 42)*

^{* @}JPY 120 / US\$; Guidance purposes only; Subject to fluctuations according to foreign exchange rate fluctuations

Cancellation Policy

For any necessary cancellations:

Prior to August 31, 2015: 50% will be refunded; After September 1, 2015: there will be no refund.

JAPAN / TOKYO

According to a recent BBC poll, Japan has ranked highest for its positive influence in the world. The effect that the Japanese culture has had on the rest of the world should not be understated. The culture and products of Japan look to have an increasingly large and lasting impact on all countries. Japan overflows with unique tenets, and these at first glance may look simple, but the more one looks, the layers upon layers of complexity come to light. The center of all of this richness and beauty is Tokyo; the heart of Japan. The IFTA and the NTAA, in partnership with all of our sponsors and members, on behalf of everyone in Japan, cordially welcome you!

http://www.japanprobe.com/2012/05/16/bbc-global-poll-japan-has-most-positive-influence-in-the-world/



JAPAN

Japan is becoming one of the most popular tourist destinations in Asia. Tourist arrivals in Japan doubled in the last 10 years and tripled in the last 20 years, and the growth momentum has continued to accelerate recently. The number of foreign visitors increased 35% in 2012, 24% in 2013, and 30% in 2014, and is widely projected to further double or triple by around 2020 (when Tokyo will host the summer Olympic games). The ever-increasing numbers of global tourists discover (or rediscover) the numerous tourist attractions of this country. Japan has such a long history and unique culture, where our people treat its visitors with the great 'Omotenashi' spirit. Japan welcomes you!

TOKYO

- Vibrant: gearing up to host the 2020 Olympics
- Trend setting city: constant flow of new cultural products (with *Manga, Anime*, leading the way)
- Fascinating combination of both modern and traditional: While being home to some of the world's most ambitious architecture, stylish shops and globally renowned restaurants, numerous serene temples, shrines, Imperial gardens provide a serene oasis within the ever electric city
- Tasty: Undisputed world's culinary capital, with the Michelin Guide handing out a total of 281 stars to restaurants in Tokyo, more than twice the number given to restaurants in Paris and New York combined. in 2013
- Inexpensive: Contrary to the commonly-held misconception, things are surprisingly affordable
- The world's safest major city allowing visitors to walk, take the subway or taxi without concerns



IFTA Members Society



What is IFTA?

The International Federation of Technical Analysts (IFTA) was incorporated in 1986 and is a global organization of market analysis societies and associations.

IFTA is an international non-profit organization with currently 27 member societies around the world. IFTA offers certification to technical analysts around the world.



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