

A portrait of Glen S. Fukushima, a middle-aged man with grey hair, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and a red patterned tie. He is looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression. The background is a blurred cityscape with tall buildings and a red and white tower on the right.

**Glen S. Fukushima**  
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# America's Asia Policy: Whither the Asia Pivot/Rebalance?

**Tuesday, 9 September 2014, 6:30–7:30 PM** – reception & buffet after the event.  
**United Nations University Headquarters, Tokyo**

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On 9 September 2014 the United Nations University will host “America’s Asia Policy: Whither the Asia Pivot/Rebalance?”, a conversation with Glen S. Fukushima, Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress. This event will start at 6:30 PM at UNU Headquarters in Tokyo.

In 2012, the US Obama Administration announced the “Asia Pivot” (later renamed the “Asia Rebalance”), signaling a geo-strategic shift of focus to the burgeoning Asia region. This elicited a mix of interpretations and responses, both praising and denouncing the idea. But two years later, some have already declared the concept stalled given the US Administration’s recent key personnel changes (Secretary of State and National Security Advisor) and issues requiring attention in other parts of the world including Egypt, Syria, Iran, and Ukraine.

Glen S. Fukushima will join UNU Rector David M. Malone to discuss the various interpretations, objectives and implications of an Asia Pivot/Rebalance. As a former senior official with the Office of the US Trade Representative, former international business executive and a key player in US-Japan relations, Mr. Fukushima will provide his perspective based on his 30 years of experience in Asia and his current position at a prominent Washington, D.C. think tank.

Please note that this event will be in English only; Japanese interpretation will not be provided. Advance registration (by 8 September) is required.

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