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Thursday, April 21, 2011

Luncheon Meeting in English

THE NEW EU AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN

Mr. Hans Dietmar Schweisgut

12:00 - 14:00 (doors open: 11.30)

at The Westin Tokyo, Kaede Room

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Yen 6,500 (chamber members) / Yen 7,500 (non-members)

Hans Dietmar Schweisgut, the former Ambassador of Austria to the European Union, who previously had been Austria's ambassador to Japan, is the new Ambassador of the EU Delegation to Japan.

He is the first ambassador to Japan to be appointed under the rules set out by the Lisbon Treaty setting up the European External Action Service.

Mr Schweisgut assumes his post at a pivotal time in Japan's history and in EU-Japan relations. Dealing with the current crisis and mapping out a **new bilateral framework** that will succeed the Action Plan for EU-Japan Cooperation are the current top priorities.

In his speech Mr. Schweisgut will address:

- issues of the future EU-Japan cooperation
- cooperation of the EU delegation with the EBC
- relevance of business topics for the Delegation's activities

For registration, please contact Arnold Ackerer at tokio@advantageaustria.org (deadline: April 13)

An invoice will be sent to you upon registration. Please inform us of any dietary restrictions.

Cancellations after the registration deadline and no-shows will be charged in full. Seats are limited and registrations will be handled on a first come, first served basis.