

YUKIO YOKOI (Mr.)

Director, Research Division, Yokohama Plant Protection Station Former Secretary, International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC)

Personal information

- Nationality: Japanese
- Born in Mie, Japan
- Married with two children

Academic background

- Course work completed for PhD in International Cooperation (Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Japan)
- Master of Professional Studies in International Agriculture and Rural Development (Cornell University, United States)
- Bachelor in Bioscience, Biotechnology, and Agro-chemistry (University of Tokyo, Japan).

Professional history

- Guiding and leading researchers in Research Division of Yokohama Plant Protection Station, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan (MAFF) since 2015.
- Joined IPPC Secretariat in 2010 and took the lead of the Secretariat for five years, after more than 20 years work in the MAFF as well as other organizations in relation with agriculture, development and the environment.
- The experiences in the MAFF cover various issues such as policy planning, trade (GATT, WTO including panel disputes), plant production, protection and quarantine, the environment, rural development and agriculture-related infrastructure planning (land and water resources). The meeting participations at international/regional levels include FAO, GATT, WTO, CBD, OECD, APEC, ASEM, APPPC, NAPPO, EPPO as well as many other bilateral consultations. Two years experience in OECD secretariat was for issues of agriculture and the environment.
- Other professional experiences include the Ministry of Environment of Japan (former "Environment Agency") for regional policy planning of pollution prevention, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) for planning and managing the international technical cooperation projects in the area of agriculture and rural development, as well as Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) for international marketing of Japanese food and agricultural products.
- Dedicated for two years (2008-2010) as lecturer to Gakushuin Women's College, for international relationship and technical cooperation.

- 2015 present: Director, Research Division, Yokohama Plant Protection Station, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan (MAFF)
- 2010 –2014: Secretary to International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC)
- 2008 2010: Lecturer of International Cooperation and Collaboration, Gakushuin Women's College
- 2009: Director, Division of Food and Agricultural Products Activities, Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO)
- 2005 2009: Deputy Director General, Rural Development Department, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
- 2004 2005: Deputy Director, Environment Policy Division, MAFF
- 2002 2003: Deputy Director, Office of Environmentally Sound Agriculture, MAFF
- 2001 2002: Deputy Director, Fruit and Flowers Division, MAFF
- 1999 2001: Senior Economist, Policy and the Environment Division, Directorate of Food and Agriculture, Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
- 1995 1999: Deputy Director, Plant Protection Division, MAFF
- 1991 1995: Assistant Director, GATT Office, MAFF
- 1987 1989: Technical Officer, Project Planning Division, MAFF
- 1985 1987: Technical Officer, Environment Agency of Japan
- 1982 1985: Technical Officer, Tohoku Regional Office, MAFF