## Invitation to the Launch of Kansai and the Asia Pacific Economic Outlook 2016-17

Dear Madam/Sir,

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Asia Pacific Institute of Research (APIR).

Every autumn, APIR publishes an overview of economic circumstances in the Kansai and Asia-Pacific regions in Japanese. In July of this year, APIR will release an updated and expanded English-language edition of this annual publication, entitled "*Kansai and the Asia Pacific Economic Outlook 2016-17*". We write to you today to cordially invite you to attend the launch of this publication.

Produced by our team of over 20 researchers, the *Economic Outlook* features quantitative research covering wide-ranging themes, and clear explanations of economic trends supported by graphs and other visual aids. The document provides a comprehensive overview of the differing circumstances and developments in Asia-Pacific economies, and promotes mutual understanding between Kansai and Asia-Pacific nations.

At the launch event, APIR researchers will present original forecasts for the Kansai economy, insights into the issues of Kansai's productivity and wages, overviews of Kansai's promising medical and tourism industries, explanations of economic developments in China and other Asia-Pacific economies, and analysis of how to further economic cooperation between Kansai and Asia-Pacific economies.

We invite all those who support the strengthening of economic ties between Kansai, Japan and the Asia Pacific to join us at this event.

## **Event Details**

**Date & Time:** Thursday July 6, 2017 2pm – 4pm (Doors open at 1:30pm) **Program:** Overview of *Kansai and the Asia Pacific Economic Outlook* 

by Yoshihisa Inada, Director for Center for Quantitative Economic Analysis, Asia Pacific

Institute of Research,

and Kenta Goto, Senior Researcher, Asia Pacific Institute of Research, and Professor at

Kansai University

**Location:** Knowledge Capital Conference Room C01, Floor 8, Grand Front Osaka Tower C

**Organizer:** Asia Pacific Institute of Research

**Other Details:** This is a free event that will be conducted in English. Applications are accepted in order

of arrival. The conference room has a capacity of 50 people. All attendees will be

presented with a complimentary copy of Kansai and the Asia Pacific Economic Outlook

2016-17.

**To Apply:** Please complete the box below and submit this form via email (<u>kouenkai@apir.or.jp</u>) or

fax (06-6485-7689). APIR will not issue attendance tickets or require attendees to sign in at a reception desk. Please come directly to the conference room on the day of the event.

Name of Company/Organization	
Contact Details	TEL: FAX: Email:
Name of Attendee(s)	Job Title
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Notes: 1. As part of an energy-saving initiative, air conditioners in the conference room will be set to 28°C. Suit jackets and neckties are not required at this event.

2. APIR may use the contact details filled in above to provide you with information about future events and research activities.