






TICAD-9 THEMATIC SIDE EVENT AGENDA

Digital Public Infrastructure and Regional Command and Control Centre for Addressing Human-Nature Conflicts in Africa

 **Date:** 20th August 2025

 **Time:** 15:20 – 16:50

 **Venue:** Exhibition Hall D, Pacifico Yokohama, Japan

Master of Ceremony: Dr. Remi Chandran, Senior Expert, RESTEC-Japan

15:20 – 16:00 | Opening Session

- **Mr. Kaname Ikeda**, President, Remote Sensing Technology Center of Japan, Tokyo, Japan
- **Hon. Amb. Dr. Pindi H. Chana**, MP, Minister for Natural Resources & Tourism, United Republic of Tanzania.
- **Hon. Tetsuro Yano**, President of Association of African Economy and Development Japan, ex-Senior Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs of Japan
- **Hon. Rebecca Miano**, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Tourism & Wildlife, Republic of Kenya

16:00 – 16:50 | Expert Panel Discussion

Theme: Building a Command-and-Control Centre & Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) for Africa

Panelists:

- **Mr. Edward Phiri**, Director, Lusaka Agreement Task Force
- **Dr. Shadrack Ngene**, Wildlife Secretary, State Department for Wildlife, Republic of Kenya
- **Mr. Jumpei Takami**, Associate Expert, UN-SPIDER program, United Nations Office for Outer Space, Vienna, Austria
- **Mr. Yushi Nagano**, Head of JICA DX Lab, Japan International Cooperation Agency
- **Mr. Kaname Ikeda**, President, Remote Sensing Technology Center of Japan, Tokyo, Japan

Moderator: Mr. Tetsuji Ida, Senior Staff Writer and Editorial Writer, Kyodo News

The keynote address by H.E. Hon. Dr. William Ruto (President of the Republic of Kenya) has been cancelled at short notice.

