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Position/Department/Division/Institution/Organization

Acting Director, Nuclear Energy Policy Planning Division, Agency for Natural Resources and Energy, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry

Country

Japan

Career history

In her career at the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry of Japan, Eri Nakatani has been in the fields of nuclear energy policy, climate change negotiations, trade negotiations with the United States and global strategy planning.

Her major achievements include co-authoring a set of recommendations to reform attitudes within the nuclear industry towards nuclear safety after the Fukushima Daiichi accident, and representing Japan at the 40th Session of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, where its synthesis report was reviewed for climate change negotiations before the Paris Agreement was adopted. When she was assigned to work at the Minister's Secretariat, she drafted a report detailing global energy market situations, based on which her colleagues reviewed the existing infrastructure export strategies. In her current role, she is responsible for overseeing nuclear innovation programs regarding nuclear safety enhancement, advanced reactor technologies and human resource development.

She holds two master's degrees: one in nuclear engineering from the University of Tokyo and another in public and international affairs from Princeton University.

Areas of expertise

Nuclear Energy Policy, Global Energy Policy