

## **THE ROLE OF JAPAN IN ASIA**

Open lecture in English, given by H.E. Mr. Hitoshi Honda, Ambassador of Japan in Finland and Estonia. Tuesday, October 16, 2007 at 14:15-16:00. Main Building, University of Helsinki, Unioninkatu 34 (Auditorium VII). Free entrance.

REGIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION and politico-economic co-operation activities in the Asia-Pacific region have intensified during the last few years. In this process Japan has actively widened its co-operation in the area.

IN HIS PRESENTATION Ambassador Honda analyses the following topics:

- > Asia as the centre of growth in the world economy
- > ASEAN the success story of regional co-operation in Asia
- > Japan's co-operation with the ASEAN
- > Regional integration in Asia in the future
- > Japan-China -relations
- > Japan-India -relations

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