Satoshi Iwamura

Mr. Satoshi Iwamura has been Chairman of Kansai International Airport Co., Ltd (KIAC) since June, 2009. Mr. Iwamura is expected to make a significant contribution to the ongoing project to discharge the liabilities of over one trillion yen KIAC takes on; selling the operational right for both airports after integrating the operation of Kansai International Airport (KIX) and that of the national government-owned Itami Airport. In addition, Mr. Iwamura has been actively introducing new routes from/to KIX by, for example, developing a terminal building exclusively for low cost carriers (LCCs). KIX is supposed to have its largest number of international flights and to have a new LCC start its domestic services in March, 2012.

As Vice Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism between 2004 and 2005, and as Director-General of Civil Aviation Bureau between 1998 and 2000, Mr. Iwamura is a preeminent expert on air transport policies, and is one of the officials to lead development of KIX.

Mr. Iwamura, who has the title of Professor at Graduate School of Public Policy at Tokyo University, used to teach at Keio University and, besides, joined the management of a major electric power company as well as a mega insurance company as advisor. Thus, he is demonstrating an outstanding performance in not only the field of government but also that of academics and industry.

Mr. Iwamura graduated from the University of Tokyo with a Bachelor's of Law in 1969.