

The BLCCJ has the pleasure to invite you to an **EPA seminar**.

**Fiscal year 2 of the EPA:  
What are the Issues and How to Deal with them  
22 April 2019 (Mon.) at Belgian Embassy**

With fiscal year 2 of the Japan-EU European Partnership Agreement (EPA) having started on April 1st, 2019, the BLCCJ would like to hear from specialists what are the current issues and how to deal with them. The first part of the seminar will focus on the so-called **Rules of Origin**. In the second part we will study **Belgian cases in the food sector**, based upon your HS-codes.

We have invited the following speakers:

- Brent Van Tassel, First Secretary & Head of Economic and Trade Section, Embassy of Belgium
- Bjorn Kongstad, Policy Director, European Business Council in Japan (EBC)
- Goro Suzuki, Assistant Director, Office of Rules of Origin, Customs and Tariff Bureau, Ministry of Finance & Wataru Higuchi, Senior Rules of Origin Specialist, ROO Centre, Japan Customs
- Philippe de Taxis du Poët, General Manager, EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation
- Dirk De Ruyver, Japan Representative, Flanders Investment & Trade (FIT)

There will be simultaneous interpretation (English-Japanese).

After the presentations there will be ample time for Q&A.  
The seminar part will be followed by a networking cocktail.

The event is free-of-charge, but prior registration is required (no walk-ins at the Embassy).

**Date & Time: 22 April 2019 (Mon.), 17h00 – 19h30** (doors open 16:30)

- o 17:00-18:10 opening words, presentations on Rules of Origin by the Japanese Customs and EBC, overview of the EPA services of the EU-Japan Centre
- o 18:10-18:40 Belgian case studies food sector
- o 18:40-19:00 Q&A
- o 19:00-19:30 networking cocktail

**Venue: Belgian Embassy 1F**

**Registration:** send an email to [info@blccj.or.jp](mailto:info@blccj.or.jp) with your full name, company name and title, **or fax back this application form by 18 April**.  
If you are in the food sector please also share **your HS-codes** (these will be treated confidentially, your company name will not be mentioned.)

**Please reply by 18 April (Thu.)**

**Email: [info@blccj.or.jp](mailto:info@blccj.or.jp) or Fax: 03-6457-8663**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

HS code (if food sector): \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to reserve a total \_\_\_\_\_ place(s) for this event

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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