



Short Bio for Naoko Ishii

Dr. Naoko Ishii is the CEO and Chairperson of the Global Environment Facility (GEF), with 182 member nations, the world's leading international institution dedicated to investing in the stewardship and health of the global environment. Dr. Ishii was unanimously selected by the GEF Council as the organization's fourth CEO and took office August 1, 2012. Previously Dr. Ishii served in the Japanese Government as Deputy Vice Minister of Finance. She has worked at the International Monetary Fund and Harvard University's Institute for International Development and was World Bank Country Director for Sri Lanka from 2006 to 2010. Her writings have been awarded the Suntory Prize (1990) and Okita Memorial Prize for International Development Research (2004).