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Asia Matters 2020 Events & Calendar

10 January **Joint Asia Matters Embassy of Japan Dinner**
Held at the Residence of HE Mitsuru Kitano and joined by HE Paul Kavanagh. Invite only C-suite event for key stakeholders in the Japan Ireland Business Relationship.

17 January **Asia Matters Member Briefing with HE Paul Kavanagh**
The Ambassador will brief Asia Matters members and key stakeholders on *"2020, The year of Business Opportunity with Japan"*

6 February **Launch of Asia Matters China Ireland Business Summit Cork**
Launch held in Cork County Hall and attended by key partners.

7 February **Thailand: Opportunities & Partnership**
Breakfast meeting in partnership with the Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade and Enterprise Ireland with HE Mr Pisanu Suvanajata, Ambassador of Thailand to Ireland and a high level delegation from the Eastern Economic Corridor. Key areas of focus: Digital Technology, Agritech, Education & Innovation.

3 March **Asia Matters Networking Evening with Niall Burgess**
The Secretary General of the Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade will brief Asia Matters Members on Ireland's Asia Pacific Strategy to 2025

30 March **Indonesian Parliament's State Finance Accountability Committee**
The Badan Akuntabilitas Keuangan Negara/BAKN will visit Ireland to meet with Irish government peers. Members with expertise in public service training, government relations, corporate governance, regulatory compliance and risk management will have an opportunity to engage with the delegation during the meeting.

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22 April Partnership Opportunity Briefing Asian Development Bank

Briefing by Abdul Abiad, Director Macroeconomic Division, Asian Development Bank on the recently published *Asian Development Outlook: What Drives Innovation in Asia?*

Innovation - the introduction of new and better products and processes - is increasingly important for developing Asia as it becomes a primarily middle-income region. This ADB briefing will outline the state of innovation in developing Asia, examine its drivers - including the roles played by human capital, entrepreneurship, finance, institutions, and cities - and discusses how policies and partnerships can spur innovation in the region

21 – 22 May China Ireland Business Summit Cork

In partnership with Cork City Council, Cork County Council, Cork Institute of Technology, KPMG and the Chinese Ireland Journal. The Summit will focus on the key drivers for future growth in the Bilateral Relationship. Last year's Summit featured 33 expert speakers who shared their knowledge with 300 + participants including high level delegations from Beijing, Shanghai and Wuxi.

16 June Asia Matters Networking Evening

Including the Launch of the Asia Business Awards.

13 July Asia Matters Lunchtime Briefing with HE Dr Rizal Sukma

Lunchtime briefing for Asia Matters members and invited stakeholders with H.E. Dr Rizal Sukma, Indonesian Ambassador to the UK & Ireland.

September 12 – 20 Asia Matters Mission to Jakarta & Tokyo

To include a Business Roundtable in both cities held in partnership with the Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade and side meetings with key government & business leaders.

29 September Asia Matters Networking Evening

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19 November

Global Asia Matters Business Summit Day 1

- The China Ireland Business Summit
- The ASEAN Ireland Business Summit

20 November

Global Asia Matters Business Summit Day 2

- The Japan Ireland Business Summit
- The Asia Matters Business Awards

The Global Asia Matters Business Summit & Awards are held in Partnership with DBEI, Enterprise Ireland, IDA Ireland & PwC

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