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**Title: Hawaii's Hotel Industry During Covid-19:
What Has Happened and How Do We Move Forward?**

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Friday, 25 Sep. 2020 11:00am-12:00pm (Japan Standard Time)

Panelists

Julie Arigo General Manager, Halepuna Waikiki by Halekulani
Danny Ojiri Vice President, Market Development, Outrigger Resorts
Dean Nakasone General Manager, Aston Waikiki Sunset
Visiting Professor, Meikai University

Moderator

Russell Uyeno Specially Appointed Professor, Meikai University
Department of Urban and Regional Planning,
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【Panelist】

	<p>Ms. Arigo's career at Waikiki Parc Hotel started in 1994. Prior to assuming her role as General Manager in 2012, Arigo held various managerial roles and has been instrumental in the development of Waikiki Parc as a contemporary hotel, offering personalized service and innovative guest experiences. She has been recognized by national industry magazines, including Hotel Management's "Top 25 General Managers to Watch" in 2013, Outstanding Woman of the Year-Private Sector by Organization of Women Leaders Hawaii in 2013, and also featured in Pacific Edge's "Leading Ladies of Hospitality" publication as one of the top executives from Oahu's hotel industry.</p>
	<p>For over 20 years, Mr. Ojiri held a succession of management positions with Jetour Hawaii, formerly one of Hawaii's largest Japanese tour operators. In 1998 he joined the Outrigger family of companies as director of Japanese sales, and was later appointed as Vice President of Market Development. Ojiri has developed an extraordinarily strong pipeline to Japan and is well known in Japan's tourism industry.</p>
	<p>Mr. Nakasone's hospitality career includes senior management positions with Sheraton Hotels in Hawaii and California, Hawaii Prince Hotels Waikiki as well as the Halekulani Corporation. Nakasone joined the Outrigger family of companies in 1997 as general manager of the then Outrigger Prince Kuhio Hotel. In 2005 Nakasone became the general manager of the Holiday Inn® Waikiki Beachcomber Resort, an Outrigger-managed property, and subsequently general manager of Outrigger Reef on the Beach. In 2017 he became vice president of the Hawaii Lodging and Tourism Association, and in 2019 the general manager of Aston Waikiki Sunset. Nakasone has an extensive background in hotel management and is well known in the industry.</p>

【Moderator】

	<p>Dr. Uyeno has held various administrative and faculty positions at the School of Travel Industry Management, Honolulu Community College, and the Department of Urban and Regional Planning. He has lectured extensively for several Japanese universities, and joined Meikai University in 2015 as an affiliate faculty.</p>
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