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Executive Vice-President for Industry-Government-Academia Collaboration

Vice-President Asonuma received his bachelor degree from the Faculty of Economics, Kyoto University in 1974, and joined the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, formerly known as the Ministry of Welfare. He served as senior adviser at the Center for iPS Cell Research and Application from April 2013, administrative vice-minister of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare from July 2010 to September 2012, director-general of the Health Policy Bureau of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare from July 2009 to July 2010.

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Executive Vice-President for Education, Information Infrastructure, and Evaluation

Prof. Masao Kitano served as dean of the Graduate School of Engineering from April 2012 to March 2014, and director of the Institute of Liberal Arts and Sciences from April 2013 to September 2014. Prof. Kitano received his doctorate in engineering from Kyoto University in 1983, after which he spent two years as a research associate in the Department of Physics at Princeton University. His main research interests are optics and optoelectronics, geometric phases, polarization optics, electromagnetic theory, and metamaterials. His work has been widely published in scientific journals and he has contributed to several books.

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Kayo Inaba

Executive Vice-President for Gender Equality, International Affairs, and Public Relations

Prof. Inaba served as dean of the Graduate School of Biostudies from April 2003 to March 2005, and director of the Center for Women Researchers in Kyoto University from October 2007 to March 2014. Prof. Inaba received her doctorate in science from Kyoto University in 1978, and became the first female associate professor at Kyoto University in the Faculty of Science. She received L'Oréal-UNESCO for Women in Science Award 2014. Prof. Inaba is known for her work on demonstrating the importance of dendritic cells, which act as "sentinels" of the immune system. She has also shown that these cells can be treated outside the body, and then reinfuse into the body to stimulate immune responses. In addition, she developed a method to generate dendritic cells from bone marrow precursor cells — a key advance that could lead to a new type of anticancer treatment or open a new path for cellular therapy.

Kayo Inaba

Naoki Sato

Executive Vice-President for Finance,
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Prof. Naoki Sato served as director of the Institute for Chemical Research, Kyoto University from 2012 to 2014.

Prof. Sato received his doctorate in science from The University of Tokyo in 1983. His research field is organic solid-state chemistry, as an interdisciplinary field between chemistry and physics. He has so far worked on electronic structure analyses of organic semiconductor thin films and their interfaces, and on fabrication of molecular systems with notable electronic properties.

Naoki Sato



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Nagahiro Minato

Toshio Sugiman

Executive Vice-President for Student Affairs and Library Services

Prof. Toshio Sugiman served as dean of the Graduate School of Human and Environmental Studies from April to September 2014. Prof. Sugiman received his Ph.D from Osaka University in 1979. His main research interest is in group dynamics, which entails an investigation of the dynamic nature of human collectivities or groups by examining at how the lifeworld of each member is socially constructed.

Toshio Sugiman

Nagahiro Minato

Executive Vice-President for Research, Planning, and Hospital Administration

Prof. Minato served as dean of the Graduate School of Medicine from October 2010 to September 2014. Prof. Minato received his doctorate in medicine from Kyoto University in 1981. His main research interests are focused on understanding the central issues in immunology, including the development of the immune system, mechanisms of tumor immunity, autoimmunity, and leukemia development.

Nagahiro Minato

Takayoshi Seiki

Executive Vice-President for General Affairs and Personnel

Vice-President Seiki received his bachelor degree from the Faculty of Law, Kyoto University in 1980, following which joined Japan's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (formarlly known as the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture). He served as director-general of the Lifelong Learning Policy Bureau from July 2013 to July 2014, director of the Department of Facilities Planning and Administration from January 2012 to July 2013, and executive director of the Japan Society for The Promotion of Science from July 2010 to January 2012.

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