

*Opening Address*

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On behalf of the Tokyo Medical University, I would like to welcome you to the Tokyo Medical University International Symposium entitled “Work-Related Stress and Health in Three Post-Industrial Settings: the EU, Japan and the United States.” Today promises to be monumental for research in work related stress and health in industrialized nations around the world. Today’s speakers have come from universities, institutes and governments in Europe, United States, and Japan to share their perspective on the present and future states of occupational health. Our speakers have each kindly agreed to share with us the data of their research and give us their views on the wide variety of issues relating to occupational health. The work that is accomplished in this meeting will be of great interest to labor organizations, government officials and researchers around the world. The consensus statement will have the potential to serve as a major resource for present and future policy makers in the field of occupational stress and health.

I personally encourage everyone present to absorb something from today’s presentation and discussion, and make it valuable to your own research. I sincerely wish all of you a great success of this Symposium.

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