



KANSAI CONSULAR CORPS

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The Kansai Consular Corps - "New Dean" Announcement

The **Executive Committee of the Kansai Consular Corps** ("KCC") has the great pleasure to announce that after the departure of Mr. Roderick Wols, former Dean of the Kansai Consular Corps and Consul-General of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Osaka-Kobe, the new Dean was selected and shall herewith be officially announced.

His name, position and background are as follows:

Mr. Rafael Aparicio Cedeño, Consul-General of the Republic of Panama in Kobe

<u>His background</u>: Consul-General Aparicio, age 33, has served in his current post since 2014. His area of jurisdiction includes Kansai, Chugoku, Shikoku and Kyushu. He is an Industrial Engineer who specialized in International Trade and Logistics and also has a background in maritime-port affairs.

Additionally, we kindly ask you to take notice that the **Executive Committee of the Kansai Consular Corps** is complete again and consisting of the following members:

<u>Dean:</u> Mr. Rafael Aparicio Cedeño, Consul-General of the Republic of Panama in Kobe <u>Vice-Dean:</u> Mr. Dieter Sommerhalder, Honorary Consul-General of Switzerland in Osaka

Ms. Aya Tsuda, acting on behalf of Vice-Dean Ushio Tsuda, Honorary Consul

of Canada

Executive Secretariat: Ms. Angela Troianos

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you very much for your support in the past and we look forward to a good cooperation also in years ahead.

Sincerely yours,

THE KANSAI CONSULAR CORPS Executive Committee