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Dr. Daisaku Higashi is a professor at Sophia University in Tokyo. He worked for NHK, Japan Public TV station as a program director from 1993 to 2004 and produced numerous TV documentaries, including “Rebuilding Iraq: Challenges of the United Nations” which received the silver medal from UN Correspondents Association in 2004. He then completed his MA and Ph.D. in the political science at the University of British Columbia in Canada. He also worked for United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA) from 2009 to the end of 2010 as a team leader for reconciliation and reintegration, stationing in Kabul, and supporting the Afghan government to set up a reconciliation mechanism. He then began working for the University of Tokyo as an associate professor in January 2011. He also served as a Minister-Counsellor in the Permanent Mission of Japan to the UN from 2012 to 2014, directing the activities of Peace Building Commission (PBC) as a part of exchange program between the University of Tokyo and the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs. After returning to the University of Tokyo, he transferred to the tenure position at Center for Global Education at Sophia University in April 2016. Since 2019, he has been frequently assigned by Japanese Foreign Minister to visit Iraq and South Sudan to make intellectual contributions for peace-building by delivering his lectures and discussions with top leadership of these countries. His publication includes “Inclusivity in Mediation and Peacebuilding: UN, Neighboring States and Global Power” (Edward Elgar 2022), “Challenges of Constructing Legitimacy in Peacebuilding: Afghanistan, Iraq, Sierra Leone and East Timor” (Routledge 2015), “Civil Wars and Mediation: How can We End the Modern Wars”? (Chuko Shinsho 2020), “Peacebuilding: Researches in Afghanistan and East Timor” (Iwanami Shinsho 2009), “Why did we go to the war: dialogue of former enemies in the Vietnam War” (Iwanami 2000).

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専門は平和構築、和平調停、国際関係論。1993年-2004年、NHK 報道局ディレクター。企画制作した主な NHK スペシャルに「我々はなぜ戦争をしたのか～ベトナム戦争・敵との対話」(放送文化基金賞)、「イラク復興 国連の苦闘」(世界国連記者協会銀賞)等。退職後、カナダのブリティッシュコロンビア大学院・政治学科で MA と PhD を取得。2009 年からカブールで国連アフガニスタン支援ミッションに勤務、和解・再統合チームリーダーを務める。2011 年より東京大学准教授。2012 年 8 月から 2014 年 8 月まで、大学と外務省の人事交流によりニューヨークの国連日本政府代表部の公使参事官。復職後、2016 年、上智大学グローバル教育センターに着任。2018 年より外務大臣の委嘱による公務派遣で、イラクや南スーダンにも度々訪問し、講演や現地指導者との意見交換などで平和構築への貢献を行っている。主な著書に”Inclusivity in Mediation and Peacebuilding: UN, Neighboring States, and Global Powers (Edward Elgar 2022)、「内戦と和平～現代戦争をどう終わらせるか」(中公新書、2020 年)、“Challenges of Constructing Legitimacy in Peacebuilding: Afghanistan, Iraq, Sierra Leone, and East Timor” (Routledge 2015)、「平和構築～アフガン・東チモールの現場から」(岩波新書 2009 年)、「犯罪被害者の声が聞こえますか」(新潮文庫 2008 年)、「我々はなぜ戦争をしたのか」(岩波書店 2000 年)等。