

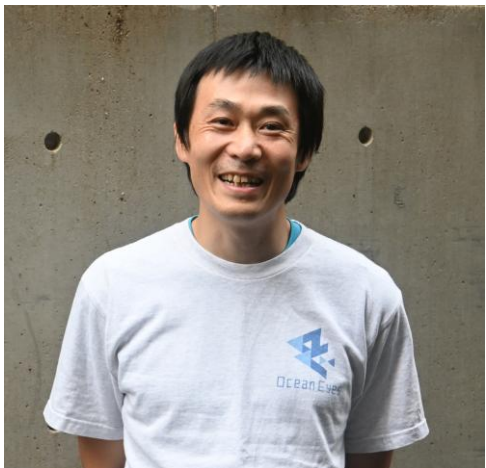


IDB Investment
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Brian Blakely is currently a Lead Investment Officer in the Global Partnerships division of the Inter-American Development Bank Group, based in Tokyo, Japan. Previously, he served as a Lead Investment Officer in IDB Invest’s Infrastructure & Energy Department in Washington, D.C., where he focused on private sector operations, with a particular emphasis on Brazil and Southern Cone countries.

With over 15 years of experience at the IDB Group, Mr. Blakely has held various roles, including three years as Resource Mobilization Lead Officer for the Energy & Infrastructure Department. Over the past 13 years, he has worked across all sectors of the department, leading 20 projects in energy, transport, water and sanitation, and social infrastructure.

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Ocean Eyes Co., Ltd. CEO Yusuke Tanaka

Based on research and development regarding the societal implementation of ocean numerical simulations, we co-founded Ocean Eyes Co., Ltd. with the goal of achieving the sustainable and rapid implementation of R&D outcomes into real economy. Through the development of systems such as a ocean condition information service for fishermen, information systems for supporting coastal fisheries developed in collaboration with local governments, and a service primarily targeting domestic vessels providing the forecast of marine weather and sea condition , we have been working to implement ocean forecast information into real economy and expand its use cases. Currently, through engagement with diverse domestic and international stakeholders—including the solutions for climate change adaptation, the utilization of satellite observation data, exchanges of information, technology, and personnel with academia, information sharing and collaboration with domestic marine-related organizations, and business expansion into Southeast Asia and the Indian Ocean region—we aim to expand the market for Japan’s blue economy and enhance its international presence.



Moderator
UMITO Partners Inc.
Founder & CEO Shunji Murakami

With more than a decade of experience in ocean sustainability and sustainable seafood, Shunji Murakami has led business development, implementation, conservation, and strategic advisory across fisheries, aquaculture, policy, industry, finance, academia, and local communities. His work includes introducing FIPs and AIPs to Japan, advancing fisheries policy reform, traceability and IUU risk analysis, supporting MSC and ASC certification, and advising companies on sustainability-driven business development and new business creation.

Today, his work spans blue finance, marine biodiversity, nature-positive business, and ocean impact. Drawing on a broad network of investors, corporates, startups, researchers, and industry partners in Japan and globally, he develops new business and investment opportunities across the blue economy. He translates science and on-the-ground insight into investable, scalable models that connect capital, technology, industry, and impact for a regenerative blue economy.