

The challenges confronting Japan are staggering—a falling birthrate, an aging population, the atrophying of rural areas, the uncertain future of nuclear energy, the rise of China...Japan is at the forefront of these emerging global issues, which cannot be effectively addressed with existing measures or by mimicking the policies of other governments. What Japan—and other countries soon to face the same challenges—needs are novel and innovative policy options.

Seeing these challenges as an opportunity to gain a head start on working out policy solutions, the Tokyo Foundation for Policy Research—an independent, private, not-for-profit think tank—undertakes rigorous research to offer concrete policy proposals that will result in real-life changes.

As a leading think tank in a country at the forefront of emerging global challenges, we will continue to offer the world a choice of policy blueprints for tomorrow.

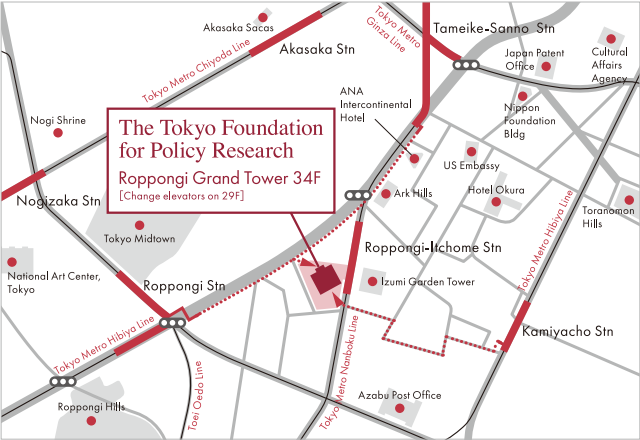
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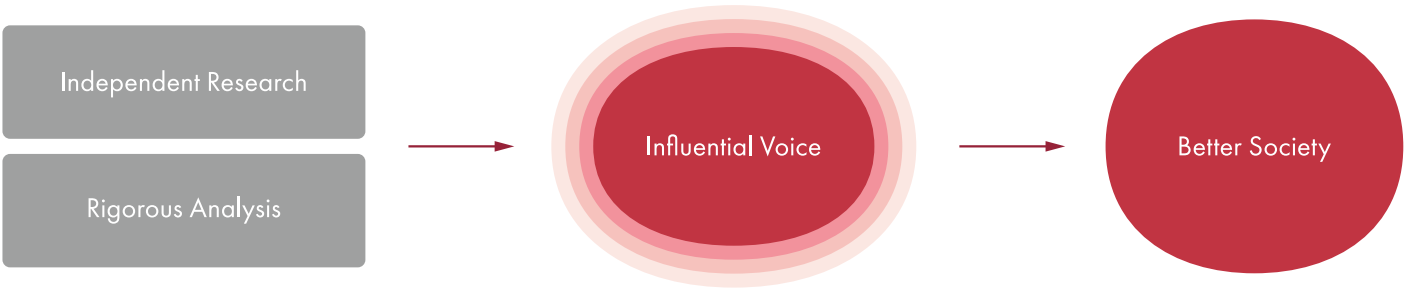
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Japan's Preeminent Think Tank Offering Innovative Policy Options to Meet Emerging Global Challenges

The Aims of the Tokyo Foundation for Policy Research

As a world-class think tank conducting *independent research* and *rigorous analysis*, we aim to become an *influential voice* in the global policymaking community and contribute to the realization of a *better society*.



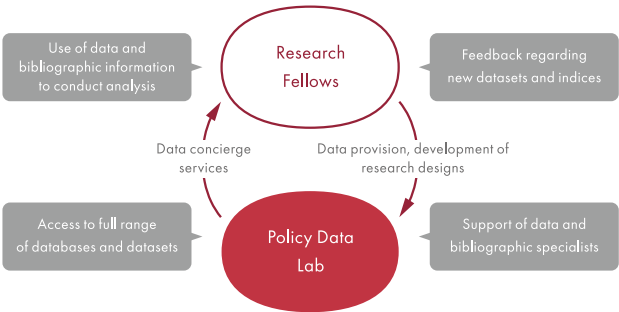
Rigorous Analysis and Quality Research Leading to Real-World Impact

Attracting Researchers from around the World

Renowned experts from diverse fields in Japan and other countries will be invited to work in independent research units comprising research fellows and support staff. As a boutique think tank, we will focus our research on cross-cutting themes, addressing the most pressing issues confronting Japan.

The accumulation of statistical evidence in the Policy Data Lab

We have established a Policy Data Lab to facilitate rigorous, data-driven policy research. Working closely with research fellows, Lab members will collect and analyze both quantitative and qualitative data, undertake social and other experiments, and apply machine learning in conducting big data analysis.



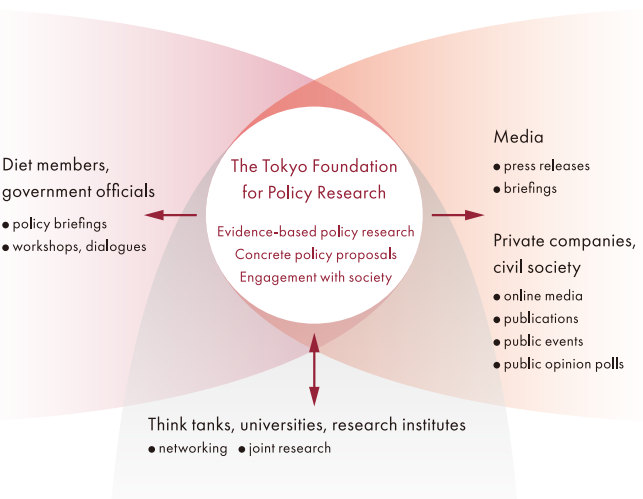
Turning Challenges into Opportunities

The fact that Japan is at the forefront of emerging social challenges gives us an advantage in working out their solutions. As a boutique think tank, we will be selective in the issues we address and examine those issues from a broad, non-compartmentalized perspective.



Leveraging Research Results into Policies for a Better Society

To ensure real-world impact, we will actively transmit our policy proposals to legislators, government officials, scholars, and journalists, as well as reach out broadly to the general public.



Developing the Next Generation of Leaders in Countries around the World

One of our missions is to identify and nurture leaders of the future, both in Japan and around the world. We undertake the programs below to develop outstanding human resources capable of seeing issues from a broad perspective and creatively pursuing the right path.

Tokyo Foundation Policy Research Fellowship

The program provides fellowships to young, highly promising researchers who can be expected to make a major contribution to policymaking in Japan. They will receive supervision from experts at the Tokyo Foundation for Policy Research for up to five years to gain a grounding in public policy and be offered opportunities for collaborative research with experts from around the world and in conjunction with government policymakers. The program will be implemented for a period of 16 years.



Sylff Association Program

The Ryoichi Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund (Sylff) is a global fellowship program for graduate students in the humanities and social sciences at 69 universities in 44 countries aimed at nurturing leaders who will initiate action to transcend differences and address issues confronting contemporary society. In 2017, the Sylff Association was launched to strengthen ties among all stakeholders. The more than 16,000 students who have received fellowships to date continue to be eligible for additional support from the Association.

<https://www.sylff.org>



NF-JLEP Association Program

The Nippon Foundation Fund for Japanese Language Education Program (NF-JLEP) promotes Japanese-language education at 11 universities in six countries through the training of Japanese-language teachers and provision of fellowships to students pursuing Japanese-related studies. In 2017, the NF-JLEP Association was launched to strengthen ties among all stakeholders, enabling the 1,600-plus fellows to receive additional support aimed at deepening their understanding of Japan and promoting cross-border networking.

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