

From the SECRETARY-GENERAL'S schedule

April 2004

6 April

APO Secretary-General Takashi Tajima made a presentation on the APO to Fellows of the Young Leaders' Program (YLP) at the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies School of Government, Tokyo. The YLP was started in 2001 by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology to foster future national leaders in Asian and other countries and to establish friendly relations among Asian and other countries, including Japan.

9–10 April

Attended the China-Japan Symposium on “Ecomaterials, Recycling-oriented Industries, and Environmental Management” in Suzhou, People's Republic of China, where the Secretary-General presented a keynote paper on “Greening Supply Chains through Green Productivity for Global Competitiveness and Sustainability.” He was accompanied by APO Environment Director Augustine Koh. Both attended the meeting at the invitation of Prof. Ryoichi Yamamoto of the Institute of Industrial Science, University of Tokyo, Japan, who is currently a Vice Chairman of the APO GP Advisory Committee. Among the sponsors of the symposium were the Chinese Materials Research Society, Chinese Society of Environment Sciences, and University of Tokyo.



Mr. Tajima speaking at the Suzhou symposium

24–27 April

Attended the 60th Session of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) in Shanghai, People's Republic of China. Mr. Tajima was accompanied by APO Industry Director Ken Inoue. During the meeting, the APO proposed to ESCAP the signing of a memorandum of understanding between the two organizations.