

## 【 Brief Introduction of Session 】

In this course the lecturer will speak on the Japanese Design Law which, although established in 1888, has striven to stay abreast of changes brought about by innovation and invention. We will also discuss the Geneva Act of the Hague Agreement concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs which the JPO joined in 2015. The lecturer also hopes that **the attendees will enjoy active discussion** with other participants and the lecturer in the class.

## 【 Agenda】

- Why should designs be protected under the Design Law?
- Japanese Design Law and Design Examination Guidelines
- The subject matter of the Design Law and cases related to design right
- Geneva Act and its practice in Japan



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