

Ministers. These important environmental directions are being pursued within that task. We are building step-wise to achieve some of the foundation stones of an overall sustainable society in the longer term.

In Ambassador Michio Mizoguchi's address to the Workshop, he also referred to complementarity. Like sustainable development, complementarity is a powerfully simple concept that reveals a complexity when it is analyzed for action. Both ideas are embraced by the desire to find balance and harmony between nature and people, whose quests for security, prosperity and well-being drive our common future. I hope these Workshop Proceedings make a positive contribution towards that goal and a greater understanding between Japan and Canada.

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