Building trust in the region
Russian Ambassador Bely's lecture in Hiroshima

On 11 October, Ambassador of the Russian Federation to Japan Mr. Mikhail Bely gave a lecture in the Hiroshima Chamber of Commerce and Industry Building, titled "Russia's Perceptions of the Asia-Pacific Region." He said that facilitating exchanges and building trust should contribute to peace and stability in the region.

The lecture was organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)'s Hiroshima Office for Asia and the Pacific, and was attended by some 40 participants.

Ambassador Bely emphasized the need to build mutual trust, indicating that Russia places great importance on cooperating with its neighbors through participation in various regional forums, including the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC). Regarding relations between Russia and Japan, he stated that while economic exchanges, including bilateral trade, have developed rapidly, he would also like to facilitate tourism between the two countries.

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