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大阪市内で生まれ育ち、高校卒業と共に渡米。カリフォルニア州のリベラルアーツカレッジ Soka University of America で学士号を取得。卒業後は一時

帰国し、国連ボランティア計画、ARUN 合同会社、日本ダボス委員会でインターンを経験。再び渡米し、コロンビア大学国際公共政策大学院修士課程修了。2016年、経営コンサルティング会社ボストン コンサルティング グループ (BCG) に新卒アソシエイトとして入社し、主に金融・製造業の案件に携わる。2018年より、ビル&メリンダ・ゲイツ財団日本拠点の2人目の職員として、主に拠点戦略・実行計画の策定支援、日本企業との連携促進、助成先との協業を担当。国内外の同僚や助成先のパートナーと共に、低所得国の課題に対する日本発のソリューション最大化を目指す。

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## Mitsushiro “Mitch” Hirai

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Mitsushiro “Mitch” Hirai currently works at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) where he serves as Project Lead at the Foundation’s brand-new presence in Tokyo (established in 2017). At the Foundation, Mitch supports Head of Japan Relations by co-developing Japan strategy and execution plans, accelerating collaboration and partnership with Japanese private sector, and closely working with grantees on multiple projects. Prior to joining BMGF, Mitch worked as an Associate / Senior Associate at the Boston Consulting Group (BCG)’s Tokyo Office where he primarily worked for financial institutions and manufacturers.

Mitch was born and raised in Osaka, Japan. Upon graduation from high school, he moved to the U.S. to study at Soka University of America (SUA), a liberal arts college in California, whose mission is “to foster a steady stream of global citizens committed to living a contributive life”. He also studied at Columbia University’s School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) and received Master of International Affairs. During school years, Mitch got exposure to global issues through internships with multiple organizations such as Eurasia Group, Japan Davos Community, the United Nations Volunteers, Joint Network for International Volunteers (JNIV), ARUN LLC., Citigroup Global Markets Japan Inc., etc.

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