

## Lecture by Professor Hiroshi Ishiguro, Distinguished Professor at Osaka University (June 26, 2024)

On June 26, the Consulate General of Japan in Dubai hosted a lecture by Professor Hiroshi Ishiguro, Distinguished Professor at Osaka University, at the auditorium of the Museum of the Future in Dubai. The lecture, titled "Japan's Robotic Prowess: Towards an Avatar-Based Society," was made possible with the support and cooperation of our co-hosts, the Museum of the Future and the Dubai Future Lab. During this lecture, Professor Ishiguro discussed the development of avatars to date, detailing the ongoing Moonshot Project, the initiatives at the Osaka-Kansai Expo, and the future use of AI to address current societal challenges. The event was attended by more than 100 participants, including Khalifa Al Qama, Director of the Dubai Future Lab, members of the Dubai Future Lab, local diplomatic corps, UAE nationals, and other residents living in Dubai.

At the beginning of the event, Mr. Jun Imanishi, Consul General of Japan in Dubai, and Director Al Qama gave opening remarks, expressing their expectations for further strengthening the cooperative relationship between the two countries in the field of AI.

