

*Press Release*

**New President of the Japan Water Forum**

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It is a great pleasure to inform you that Mr. Yoshiro Mori, former Prime Minister of Japan, has assumed the post of president of the Japan Water Forum as successor to the late Mr. Ryutaro Hashimoto on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

**New President's Message:**



I am happy to announce that I have taken on the post of president of the Japan Water Forum. I will dedicate myself to carrying out the cherished desire of the former President Ryutaro Hashimoto to contribute to the resolution of global water issues. In addition, I will make efforts in the field of environmental and hygiene problems across the world by making use of my international experience. Your continued assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Yoshiro Mori  
Former Prime Minister of Japan

**Biography of Yoshiro Mori**

Member of the House of Representatives of the National Diet, Japan

July 14 <sup>th</sup> , 1937	Born in Nomi City, Ishikawa Prefecture
March, 1960	Graduated from Waseda University
December, 1969	First elected as Member of the House of Representatives
1983 – 1984	Minister of Education
1992 – 1993	Minister of International Trade and Industry
1995 – 1996	Minister of Construction
2000 – 2001	Prime Minister of Japan