

## **Hisashi Owada**

Judge Hisashi Owada has been President of the International Court of Justice in The Hague (2009-2012). Before being appointed judge of the International Court of Justice in 2003, he served as President of the Japan Institute of International Affairs, and Professor of Law and Organization at Waseda University Graduate School in Japan.

In the field of public service of Japan, Hisashi Owada has served as Legal Adviser of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and then later Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs. He also held the post of Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Japan to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris, and Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations in New York.

Concurrently, in the academic field, Hisashi Owada has been professor of international law and organization at Tokyo University for 25 years since 1963, and at the law schools of Harvard University, Columbia University, and New York University. He is an Honorary Professor of Leiden University. He is a member of the *Institut de Droit International* and currently its President.

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