Although we live in a globalized world, nationality and national identity still matter. Even in the regionally integrated European Union national identity seems to play a relevant role. Which factors are important for forming a national identity? Can these factors be adopted to form a regional identity? What are the political consequences of being recognized as a 'nation' or a special 'region' in the modern world? And what does a national or regional identity mean in the age of globalization? In this discussion the Ambassador of Poland and Germany will introduce their views on a European identity, while young people from the Exchange Program for Regional Integration in East Asia and Europe – EPRIE will present their vision on national identity and discuss it with the audience.

We kindly would like to invite you to join the discussion on

## Regional Identity in the Age of Globalization

**Date** Thursday, 23 July 2015, 16.00 – 18.30 h

**Location** The Embassy of the Republic of Poland in Tokyo

2-13-5 Mita, Meguro-ku, Tokyo 153-0062

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16.00 h Regional identity in the Age of Globalization

Welcome

Ambassador Cyryl KOZACZEWSKI

Is there a European Identity?

H.E. Cyryl KOZACZEWSKI, Polish Ambassador to Japan

H.E. Dr. Hans Carl von WERTHERN, German Ambassador to Japan

16.30 h What means a regional identity in the Age of Globalization?

Presentation of Participants Results

Chair: Dr. Gudrun WACKER, German Institute for International and

Security Affairs, Berlin

17.00 Discussion with the floor

17.30 h Farewell Reception

18.30 h Closing Remarks

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