

Event Report

Title: LDP-CDU Party Dialogue

Date: From Monday, October 30 to Wednesday, November 1, 2023

From October 30 to November 1, **Dr. Carsten Linnemann, Secretary General of the Christian Democratic Union (CDU)**, and **Mr. Philipp Birkenmeier, Federal Deputy Managing Director of the CDU and Head of the Policy and Program Department**, visited Japan to exchange views with Japanese parliamentarians and government officials.

During their visit to Tokyo, they had an opportunity to meet with **Hon. Hiroshi Moriyama, Chairperson of the General Council of the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)**, to discuss the role of political parties in the current international situation and cooperation between Japan and Germany. They also exchanged views on a wide range of social policy topics through briefings on social security, demographics, and pension systems.

In addition, Dr. Linnemann confirmed the need to strengthen Japan-Germany relations in meetings with **Hon. Toshiaki Endo, Chairperson of the Japan-Germany Parliamentary Friendship League**, **Hon. Yasutoshi Nishimura, Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry**, **Hon. Shintaro Ito, Minister of the Environment**, **Hon. Kiyoto Tsuji, State Minister for Foreign Affairs**, and **Hon. Kenta Izumi, President of the Constitutional Democratic Party (CDP)**.