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Mr. Matsui joined the Japanese foreign service in 1989, completing his legal master's degree in San Diego in 1992. After serving at the Embassy of Japan in Washington, D.C., he engaged in Japan's global counter-terrorism action in response to the 9.11 situation, and has ever since spent his major diplomatic career path in gaining wide and unique experiences with and within the UN system organizations, including his contribution to their policy decision and rule-making and also efficient administrative management at the Permanent Mission in Geneva as well as his five-year service at the legal office of IAEA in Vienna. In 2011 he was dispatched to Fukushima one week after the nuclear accident to assist IAEA monitoring operations.

Mr. Matsui's direct engagement in Japan's ICAO specific diplomacy started in 2013 as Deputy Director of the division in charge at the Foreign Ministry. Since August 2016, he has been representing his government on the ICAO Council and contributing to the Council's decision-making and effective management for ICAO to address its global challenges and insure safe and orderly growth of international civil aviation with no country left behind, taking full advantage of his multi-layered background and Japanese expertise and resources for the ICAO mission with stakeholders.