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AEON CO., LTD.

**Takuya Okada, Honorary Chairman and Advisor, AEON CO., LTD.,**  
**Awarded with the Title of “Honorary Member”**  
**by the Federation of Asia-Pacific Retailers Associations**

Takuya Okada, Honorary Chairman and Advisor of Aeon Co., Ltd. has been awarded with the title of “Honorary Member” by the Federation of Asia-Pacific Retailers Associations (FAPRA) at the FAPRA's 17<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific Retailers Convention & Exhibition (APRCE) held in Manila, Philippines. This marks the first time FAPRA has awarded a personage with the title.

FAPRA was established in 1989 for the purpose of enhancing and expanding the activities of retail organizations in 17 Asia-Pacific countries and regions, including Japan. FAPRA has hosted APRCE semiannually in countries such as China, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Malaysia, Australia, ever since its predecessor, the Asia Retailers Convention, was first held in Tokyo in 1983. The Convention has enabled retail organizations across countries to cooperate, share information, and build bonds of friendship with one another.

Takuya Okada, upon the founding of FAPRA, visited retail organizations and government agencies in each Asia-Pacific countries, persistently advocating, for the sake of people's living and improvement of status of retail industry, the importance of mutual corporation and the need for modernization and optimization of retail industry. The title has recognized above contribution, as well as his continual efforts in supporting culture, environment, and education for local communities.

With the Basic Principle of “Pursuing peace, respecting humanity, and contributing to local communities, always with the customers' point of view as its core,” Aeon, with its ever-lasting innovative spirit, will continue its endeavor to contribute to the realization of prosperous life in Asia and other parts of the world, hoping for further development of retail industry.

(From the left)

- Benito C. Bengzon, Jr, Undersecretary for Philippine department of Tourism
- Lorenzo C. Formoso, Chairman of the Philippine Retailers Association
- Takuya Okada, Honorary Chairman and Advisor of AEON CO., LTD.
- Mehmet T. Nane, chairman of FAPRA



## **Profile of Takuya Okada**

1925 Born

1946 President of Okadaya Kimono Fabric Store

1970 President of JUSCO Co., Ltd.

1976 Chairman of the Japan Chain Stores Association

1989 Chairman of the AEON 1% Club Foundation\*

\*became a Public Interest Incorporated Foundation in 2015

1990 Chairman of the AEON Environmental Foundation\*

\*became a Public Interest Incorporated Foundation in 2010

1993 Chairman of the Japan Fashion Association

1995 Chairman of the Japan Retailers Association

1995 Chairman of the Japan Council of Shopping Centers

2000 Honorary Chairman and Advisor of JUSCO Co., Ltd.

2001 Honorary Chairman and Advisor of AEON CO., LTD. (Present Post)