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Mr. Hiroshi Kuniyoshi is Deputy to the Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) since April 2017.

In April 1984, he joined the Government of Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry (now known as METI), where he planned and implemented a variety of industrial and technology policies in various sections, including the Natural Resources and Energy Agency, the Small and Medium Enterprises Agency and the Kansai Bureau.

In August 2006, Mr. Kuniyoshi was appointed Professor at Tokyo Institute of Technology, where he conducted research and education in policy studies related to industry, technology and innovation.

In September 2012, he was appointed Executive Director of the New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO), one of Japan's largest public organizations in research and development. At NEDO, he was in charge of global collaborative projects for the development of low-carbon technologies such as renewable energy, battery storage and smart grids. He also served as Vice-Chairman of the Global Smart Grid Federation, a world-wide network of national associations for smart grids.

Mr. Hiroshi Kuniyoshi holds a Master's degree in International Relations from the University of Cambridge and a Ph.D. in Energy Science from Kyoto University.