

岩田 和親

■ 経済産業副大臣

Kazuchika Iwata

■ State Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry

平成8年 九州大学法学部卒業
平成8年 九州恵商会代表取締役
平成8年 経営コンサルタント大前研一氏事務所 勤務
平成11年 佐賀県議会議員(3期)
平成24年 衆議院(佐賀1区) 初当選
平成26年 衆議院(比例九州) 当選(2期目)
平成29年 衆議院(比例九州) 当選(3期目)
令和元年 防衛大臣政務官(第4次安倍第2次改造内閣)
令和3年 自由民主党国防部長代理 自由民主党商工・中小企業関係団体委員長
令和3年 経済産業大臣政務官(原子力経済被害担当)
兼内閣府大臣政務官(原子力損害賠償・廃炉等支援機構) 兼復興大臣政務官(第1次岸田内閣)
令和3年 衆議院(比例九州) 当選(4期目)
令和3年 経済産業大臣政務官(原子力経済被害担当)
兼内閣府大臣政務官(原子力損害賠償・廃炉等支援機構) 兼復興大臣政務官(第2次岸田内閣)
令和4年 自由民主党経済産業部会長
令和5年 経済産業副大臣兼原子力災害現地対策本部長(現職)



Mr. IWATA Kazuchika was appointed State Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry on September 15, 2023. In this key role, Mr. Iwata's primary responsibility will be overseeing METI's ongoing efforts to support the revitalization of Fukushima, and to promote the region's Green Transformation.

Mr. Iwata joins METI from the House of Representatives, the lower house of Japan's National Diet where he has represented constituents in the Kyushu region for more than a decade.

In 2022, he served as Chairperson of the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) Economy, Trade and Industry Subcommittee. While in 2021, Mr. Iwata served as Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry at METI.

Before his appointments at METI, Mr. Iwata served on senior posts in the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) including Chairperson, of Committee on Organizations Involved with Commerce, Industry and Medium and Small Sized Enterprises as well as Deputy Director, Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Division. In 2019, he was appointed Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Defense.

Earlier in his career as a publicly elected official, Mr. Iwata served as a member of the Saga Prefectural Assembly.

Prior to seeking national elected office, Mr. Iwata worked as a management consultant at the Ohmae & Associates Group.

Mr. Iwata is a graduate of Kyushu University's Faculty of Law.