

**Celebrating 2020 Tokyo Paralympics,
 “Para sports & Inclusive Society ~ Initiatives of the Netherlands ~”
 Lecture by Ms. Rita van Driel, IPC Councilor and others**

The Netherlands is a developed country of Para sports (sports for the disabled). The JNS invites three Para sports experts from the Netherlands to give a lecture on the subject of “Inclusive society through Para sports”.

International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Director Ms. Rita van Driel will talk about the dissemination of Para sports, the Dutch efforts to improve competitiveness, and the differences between Japan and the Netherlands. The featured competitions and players from the Netherlands for 2020 Tokyo Paralympics are also introduced. In addition, Para athlete Gert-Jan Schep and Para sports Coach Heleen Moes will be on stage to discuss their activities.

Following the lecture, you can enjoy free chatting with lecturers over a cup of coffee. Let’s learn Para sports now and enjoy memorable Tokyo games more. Please join us with your friends and family!



Rita van Driel
 Director, International Paralympics Committee



Gert-Jan Schep
 Former Paralympics swimmer / Track & field athlete



Heleen Moes
 Para sports coach

- Date:** **Sunday, 17 November 2019 14:00-16:00** (Registration starts at 13:30)
- Venue:** Tokyo Midtown Conference Room#5 (Roppongi)
 (Toei Oedo Line/Metro Hibiya Line Roppongi, Metro Chiyoda Line Nogizaka etc.)
- Program:** 14:00 – 15:00 Lecture (Speech + Q&A) ※English Only
 15:00 – 16:00 Reception (Coffee & Sweets)
- Fee:** JNS members: 1,500 Yen per person
 Non-members: 2,000 Yen per person
- Application:** Please apply following instruction (1) or (2) and remit fees.
 (1) Register on the web site <https://forms.gle/buMFHhofAGAsJ1T26> (click)
 (2) Fax your application form to the JNS
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- Deadline:** **Applications must be sent by Friday, 8 November**
 *First-come, first-served basis.
- Note:** No refunds for cancellations Thursday, 14 November onward.



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Ms. Rita van Driel

Director, International Paralympic Committee

Chairman, Development Committee, International Olympic Committee

She periodically visits Japan for the co-projects of NOC*NSF and three municipalities in Tokyo ; Adachi-ku, Edogawa-ku and Nishi-Tokyo City; Holland-cooperated Project "GAME CHANGER"⁽¹⁾ and holds lectures and exchange meetings in many places.

⁽¹⁾Project to accelerate fostering inclusive society through familiarizing and developing Para sports.

Mr. Gert-Jan Schep

2004 Qualified for Athens Paralympic Games of swimming

5th 200m individual medley, 5th 50m freestyle and 6th in 100m backstroke

2007 Had serious injury in right shoulder and took 8 years for its recovery

2016 Changed to track & field

2018 Silver medal in 400m T36 at European championships in Berlin

He trains to participate in 2020 Tokyo Paralympics Track & Field games.

Ms. Heleen Moes

Para sports coach, belongs to the Netherlands Olympics Committee and the Netherlands Sports Federation