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## Lecture at The University of Tokyo – GraSPP

Mr. Satoshi Nakagawa, JCR's Special Advisor to the President for Global Strategy and the Chairman of the Association of Credit Rating Agencies in Asia (ACRAA), delivered a lecture at the Graduate School of Public Policy of the University of Tokyo on December 3, 2018.<sup>1/</sup> In the lecture entitled "Sovereign Risk Assessment – Role of Domestic Credit Rating Agencies for Financial Stability", Mr. Nakagawa explained: (1) external economic and financial environment surrounding emerging market (EM) economies; (2) types of past EM financial crisis; (3) key monitoring indicators for EM sovereign risk assessment and (4) roles of domestic rating agencies to grasp the corporate sector's financial vulnerability and to maintain its financial discipline.

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1/ http://www.pp.u-tokyo.ac.jp/events/2018-11-26-17531/

2/ https://www.jcr.co.jp/pdf/dm55/GlobalTopics\_180807e.pdf

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