

# Biography

Keitaro OHNO, Ph. D., MP., LDP

Member of the House of Representatives of Japan, Kagawa 3rd district.

FMR. Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Defense

Deputy Director-General, International Bureau, LDP



## [Education]

1991 Graduated from Tokyo Institute of Technology. (B.S. degree)

1993 Earned Master's Degree in Mechanical Eng. from Graduate School of Tokyo Institute of Technology.

2001 Visiting Industrial Fellow, Computer Mechanics Laboratory of the University of California at Berkeley.

2006 Project Researcher, Department of Information Physics and Computing of the University of Tokyo.

2007 Earned Ph.D. from the University of Tokyo in Information Science and Technology.

## [Professional Career]

1993 R&D Staff, Fujitsu Limited, Space Development Group

2004 Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Minister of State for Defense.

2012 Member of the House of Representatives, Kagawa 3rd district.

2017 Parliamentary Vice Minister, Ministry of Defense.

## [Current Position (2018-)]

✓ Member, Committee on Security, House of Representatives, H.R.

✓ Director, Committee on Audit and Oversight of Administration, H.R.

✓ Member, Special Committee on North Korea, H.R.

✓ Acting Director, Foreign Affairs Division, LDP / Deputy Director-General, International Bureau, LDP

✓ Deputy Chief Secretary, Research Commission on National Security, LDP

✓ Deputy Chief Secretary, Research Commission on Science, Technology and Innovation Strategy, LDP

✓ Acting Chief Secretary, Subcommittee on Space Strategy, LDP

✓ Deputy Chief Secretary, Special Committee on Aviation Policy, LDP

Keitaro Ohno, Ph.D., was born in 1968 and was bred in Kagawa Prefecture in Shikoku Island, south-west of Tokyo. He received B.S. and M.S. degrees in Mechanical Engineering from Tokyo Institute of Technology in 1991 and 1993, respectively. From 1993, he was with the Space Development Group, Fujitsu Limited, and the Computer Mechanics Laboratory in the University of California at Berkeley as Visiting Industrial Fellow.

In 2004, he started his political career. He joined the Cabinet Secretariat of Japan, appointed Parliamentary Private Secretary for political issues to the Minister of State for Defense. He was involved in supporting some issues including 1) revision of the National Defense Program Guideline, 2) realignment of U.S. bases in Japan, and 3) extension of activities of Japan's Self Defense Forces in Iraq. He also has been with the Department of Information Physics and Computing of the University of Tokyo, where he earned Ph.D. degree in 2007.

In December 2012, he was elected member of the House of Representatives of Japan, at the 46th general election. In August 2017, he was appointed Parliamentary Vice Minister at the Ministry of Defense (the 3rd Reshuffled Cabinet of the 3rd Abe Administration and the 4th Abe Administration).

His current interests include foreign and international affairs, national security and defense issues, cyber and space policies, science and technology policies, intellectual property policies, monetary policy, SME, industrial structure, social business, promotion of IoT/AI/BD as innovation policy, etc.