



## **AWF Mentor Dinner**

(exclusive to members)

## Wednesday, May 22

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM (dinner begins at 7:30pm)

Venue: Cuisine Francaise JJ in Midtown (additional venue details below) Cost: 5,000 yen per person

## "New Shoes, Tiny Steps"

with Akimi Takemura, President & CEO American Nippon Travel Agency, Japan American Express Business Travel

As the President and Chief Executive Officer for the American Express Nippon Travel Agency, Akimi Takemura is responsible for delivering consistent, high level travel services at this joint venture in Japan. She is also accountable for maintaining financial and regulatory integrity, the retention and increased acquisition of corporate accounts and all other aspects of the organization including operations, account development, technology, finance and supplier relations.

Akimi started her career at American Express in 1988 in the consumer card business. Akimi then took on various positions of increasing responsibility including Head of Sales and Marketing, Director of Finance, Lead Financial Officer for Travel Operations in Europe and Sales Governance Leader for Worldwide Sales.

Prior to American Express, Akimi worked for Avanti PR as a marketing and public relations associate conducting research to increase consumer awareness of high-end consumer goods. At Parco Company, she served as a marketing associate in charge of launching overseas fashion brands such as Benetton Italy and Polo Ralph Lauren in the Japanese market.

Akimi has an MBA from New York University and a bachelor's degree in education from Nagoya University in Japan. She also attended the Mergers and Acquisition Executive Graduate School at the Financial Institute of New York.

## Cuisine Française JJ is located on the 2nd floor of the Tokyo Midtown complex in Roppongi:

Garden Terrace 2F, Galleria Tokyo Midtown, 9-7-4 Akasaka, Tokyo 107-0052 Tel: 03-5413-3445 Fax: 03-5413-3448

Map to the venue: <a href="http://www.cf-jj.jp/access-english/">http://www.cf-jj.jp/access-english/</a>



This is a special event open only to AWF members and employees of member firms. Please note the following:

- Registration is required and will be first come, first served and walk-ins on the day are not allowed
- Same-day or last minute cancellations will be invoiced for the dinner charge

Please register for this event through your company representative by May 18

If you have any questions, please email us at awf@awftokyo.com