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**ACCJ CSR Committee Holds its 5th Soft Landing Program:
Ms. Susan Roos Delivers Keynote Speech**

October 7, 2010 – More than 120 women gathered at Japan Times/NIFCO Building Hall for the ACCJ Soft Landing program “The Next Stage: The Families that Work!”

Keynote speaker, Ms. Susan Roos, Partner of Cook Roos Wilbur LLP and wife of U.S. Ambassador to Japan John V. Roos, stressed the importance of working women in Japan and highlighted the need for a better platform for women who wish to re-enter the workforce.

“The Japanese workforce is incredibly talented and efficient, and the talents of Japan’s women account for half of this rich human resource,” said Ms. Roos. “I understand one of the major hurdles for Japanese women entering the workforce is the inflexibility of work hours. I see this not only as a problem for Japanese working women and mothers, but also for Japanese men and fathers.”

Following the keynote address, an expert panel discussed the current environment for working women in Japan and a live music performance allowed participants to stretch their legs.

The event was hosted by the ACCJ Soft Landing Task Force, which was established in 2008 to help women return to workplace. The Task Force is part of the Chamber’s corporate social responsibility (CSR) pillar.

For more information about this event, the Soft Landing Task Force or the ACCJ’s CSR activities please contact Yuiko Noda ynoda@accj.or.jp



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