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Keizo Yamawaki specializes in migrant integration policy and a leading expert in Japan. He has advised numerous local governments as well as ministries of the national government.

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Since 2010, he has promoted exchange of ideas and good practices in migrant inclusion between cities in Japan and those in Europe and Australia. In 2012-2013, he was a visiting fellow of the University of Oxford and that of the Migration Policy Group, Brussels. In 2018, he was chosen as one of the awardees of the Foreign Minister's Commendations for his work on migrant integration in Japan. He teaches on Nakano Campus of Meiji University, and his students are actively engaged in intercultural community building in the city of Nakano, Tokyo.

He is best known in Japan as the chair of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications' committee which produced the first governmental report on migrant integration in 2006.