

## Kenji Ogiwara

Born in Kusatsu-cho, Gumma Prefecture  
in December 1969



### Career summary

- 1992: Albertville Olympics Team Gold Medal/Individual 7th ranking
  - 1992: Graduated from School of Human Sciences, Waseda University
  - 1993-1995: World Cup All-round Individual: three consecutive championships
  - 1993: World Championship (Falun) Team championship/ individual championship
  - 1994: Lillehammer Olympics Team Gold Medal/Individual 4th ranking
  - 1995: World Championship (Thunder Bay) Team Championship
  - 1997: World Championship (Trondheim) Individual Championship
  - 1998: Nagano Olympics Team 5th ranking/Individual 4th ranking
  - 2002: Salt Lake City Olympics Team 8th ranking/Individual 11th ranking
  - 2002: Received Gumma Prefectural Accolade Awards
  - 2004: The House of Councilors election: elected in the national proportional representation district
  - 2007: Assumed ministerial aid of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry
  - 2010: Retired from political arena
  - 2010: Assumed the Tourism Agency's position of Sports Tourism Meister
- \* World Cup Individual Championship 19 times all told

### Major activities

As a Nordic skiing combined athlete Mr. Ogiwara has played an active role over many long years as a top world athlete, and consecutively obtained gold medals in the team competitions in the Albertville and Lillehammer Olympic games. He has competed in 19 career championships, which is an unprecedented feat, including three consecutive victories in all-round individual competitions, leading him to be applauded as the "King of skiing."