

『MIRAI Program』

(Mutual-understanding, Intellectual Relations and Academic Exchange Initiative)

European Policy Division, European Affair Bureau, MOFA of JAPAN
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Overview

- The program invites young leaders who are expected to play an active role in international society and provides opportunity to have intellectual exchanges with Japanese students of same generations and scholars.
- The program aims to deepen participants' understanding of Japan and its policy, to promote mutual understandings and build a basis for future friendship and cooperation between Japan and their regions.
- All participants are expected to share and disseminate their experiences and charms of Japan proactively through SNS and other media during/after the visit.

Program

- Participants: Graduate/Undergraduate Students and Young Professionals
- Participating Countries: Europe, Central Asia and Caucasus region
- Duration: About 1 week
- This Year's Number of Participants: About 180
- Total Participants: 485 (6 invitations since 2015)



Young Professionals invitation, March 2018

Prospected itinerary of the visit

Eight-days (seven-nights) consisting of 5 nights in Tokyo and 2 nights in local areas

| | AM | PM | Place of Stay |
|-------|--|----|---------------|
| Day 1 | Arrival | | |
| Day 2 | Events in Tokyo | | Tokyo |
| Day 3 | | | |
| Day 4 | Events in local areas (e.g. Hiroshima, Kyoto) | | Other cities |
| Day 5 | | | |
| Day 6 | Events in Tokyo | | Tokyo |
| Day 7 | Sessions to report the outcome of the visit | | |
| Day 8 | Departure | | |

□ Events in Tokyo (Day 2 and 3)

- Lectures on Japan and its major policies
- Discussions with Japanese young students /researchers at universities and think-tanks

□ Events in other local areas (Day 4 and 5)

- Site-visits to local industries
- Hands-on experiences on traditional culture

□ Events in Tokyo (Day 6)

- Visits to historical sites
- Learning cutting-edge technologies

□ Sessions to report the outcome of the visit (Day 7)

- Courtesy call on MOFA high-levels
- Presentations on the outcome by participants
- Follow-up discussions among participants
- Farewell Party etc