

Application Guideline

The SDGs Global Human Development Program
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July 2024 - January 2025

Call for
17
University
Students



- ◆ **Period:** from July 2024 to January 2025
- ◆ **Number of Participants:** 17 university students living in Japan (with any nationality)
- ◆ **Participation Fee:** Free
- ◆ **Eligibility:**
 - ✓ Undergraduate, graduate, post-graduate student living in Japan who has ambition to take a leading role for achieving the SDGs;
 - ✓ Have expertise or interest related to one of the 17 goals of the SDGs;
 - ✓ Have sufficient English language proficiency to participate in discussions and exercises in English;
 - ✓ Able to participate in all of the programmes listed below;
 - ✓ Commit to organise and implement a reporting session to disseminate your learning from this programme at your university laboratories, communities, etc.;
 - ✓ Commit to take an active role in this programme, utilising your special skill and ability, if any. (e.g.: photography, video production, design, planning, writing, SNS posting, etc.)

◆ Programme

DATE	CONTENTS	PLACE
1 day in 10-12 July, 2024 (TBD)	Orientation	Online (Zoom)
23-24 July, 2024 (1 night 2 days)*	<p>Introductory Session of the International Framework regarding SDGs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 23 July: Attend the environmental international forum at Pacifico Yokohama, Yokohama City  <p style="text-align: center;">Pacifico Yokohama</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 24 July: Kick-off meeting and SDGs game at the IGES Headquarters in Hayama town  <p style="text-align: center;">IGES</p>	
9-13 September, 2024 (11 nights 12 days)*	<p>Field Training to visit SDGs model regions in Japan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 2 September: Meet at Okayama Station ◆ 2-5 September: Kamikatsu Town, Tokushima Prefecture  <p style="text-align: center;">WHY Kamikatsu Zero Waste Centre @上勝町</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Zero waste workshop ➤ Meet the key stakeholders contributing a sustainable society in the town ➤ Experience a Japanese traditional farmhouse and lifestyle ➤ Learn about Kamikatsu's <i>Irodori</i> leaf business: economic revitalization in the aging town 	

- ◆ 6-10 September: Kitakyushu City, Fukuoka Prefecture



Mega solar and wind turbines in Hibikinada

- Learn Kitakyushu’s history of overcoming pollution and its initiatives for creation of a sustainable city
- Experience a hydrogen car/ship
- Visit the environmental museum, hydrogen house & vehicle, wind turbine plant, plastic recycling plant, etc
- Experience Circularity Deck (card game)

- ◆ 11-13 September: Minamata City, Kumamoto Prefecture



Minamata Disease Museum

- Learn Minamata’s history and initiatives for a sustainable city
- Visit Minamata Disease Museum
- Learn about tourism business at a farm
- Learn about marine life environment in Minamata
- Wrap-up workshop & planning next step

- ◆ 13 September: Dismiss at Hakata Station (PM)

October 2024 (1 day, TBD)	Workshop to reflect and plan a step toward action	Online (Zoom)
November 2024 - January 2024 (several days in the period)	Reporting sessions (Plenary & individuals)	Onsite (at each university) or Online

* IGES will support the cost of transportation and accommodations. See next page for more details.

*This schedule and programme contents are subject to change.

♦ **Support for Travel Expense by IGES**

● Introductory Session of the International Framework regarding SDGs (23-24 July, 2024)

✓ **TO ALL PARTICIPANTS**

- Public transportation fee between Yokohama City (Venue for the international forum organized by IGES) and Hayama Town (IGES Headquarter)
- Accommodation fee with breakfast on 23 July (1 night)

✓ **TO PARTICIPANTS FROM DISTANT LOCATIONS**

- Roundtrip of Shinkansen tickets or air tickets
- Accommodation fee (flat rate) on 22 July, only if needed

● On-Site Training to visit SDG model regions in Japan (2-13 September, 2024)

✓ **TO ALL PARTICIPANTS (Free-of-Charge Participation)**

- Transportation in the program
- Accommodation with breakfast in the program
- Official activities of the program (lectures, site visits, associated transportation)
- Interpretation service from Japanese to English
- Any other materials related to the program

♦ **Free-of-Charge Participation DOES NOT include:**

- ✓ Part of transportation expense for the introductory session of the international framework regarding SDGs (23-24 July, 2024): between your home and nearest airport/shinkansen station / between your home and the conference center (depending on where you live)
- ✓ Part of transportation expense for the on-site training (2-13 September, 2024): from your home to the meeting place (Okayama Station) on 2 September; from the dismissal place (Hakata Station) to your home on 13 September
- ✓ Lunch and Dinner
- ✓ Travel Insurance
- ✓ Personal expense
- ✓ Internet connection fee for online activities
- ✓ Cost for individual reporting session at your university (room fee, internet connection fee, fee for equipment use, etc.)

◆ Application Requirements

Fill in the online form on the website of Kitakyushu SDGs Training Program (<https://sdgs-kitakyushu.iges.jp/>)

- ◇ Identify three of the 17 SDG goals with your expertise or interest (up to three goals)
- ◇ Indicate your current English proficiency
- ◇ Describe how you will distribute your learning at your university.
- ◇ Attach the followings:
 - Essay in English (about 800 words) to on your motivation of participation of this programme and what kind of a SDGs leader that you are aiming for.
 - Copy of your student card (jpg or png)
 - Copy of your insurance card (jpg or png)
 - Copy of language test scores or level of your English proficiency, if any (jpg or png)

◆ Application Deadline: **23 June, 2024**

Result will be notified to you individually via email by 28 June, 2024.

Apply from the QR code:

<https://sdgs-kitakyushu.iges.jp/>



Participants will be selected with consideration of well-balanced diversity in academic discipline, selected SDGs goals, skills, geographical location of your affiliation/residence, gender, nationality, age, etc.

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