

2013 Autumn Conferment of Decorations on Foreign Nationals

Decoration	Services	Major Titles	Name (Age)	Address and Nationality
The Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	*Former U.S. Ambassador to Japan *Member, Board of Councilors, U.S.-Japan Council *Board member, Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation	John Thomas Schieffer (66)	Fort Worth, Texas, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)
The Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to the strengthening of the economic relationship and promotion of human exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	*Senator, U.S. Senate *Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, U.S. Senate *Former Governor of West Virginia *Member, Japan-United States Friendship Commission	John Davison Rockefeller IV (76)	Charleston, West Virginia, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)
The Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to the strengthening of relations between Japan and Australia in the fields of politics, economics and security	*Former Prime Minister *Former Treasurer	John Winston Howard (74)	Sydney, N.S.W., Australia (Australia)
The Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to promoting friendship and cooperation between Japan and the Kingdom of Cambodia	*President of Senate *Former President of National Assembly *President of Cambodian People's Party	Chea Sim (80)	Chamkar Morn, Phnom Penh, Cambodia (Cambodia)
The Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to the strengthening of the relationship between Japan and Djibouti, to the Japan's Anti-Piracy Operations, and to the promotion of friendly relationship	*Former Prime Minister *Member of National Assembly	Dileita Mohamed Dileita (55)	Djibouti, Djibouti (Djibouti)
The Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to promoting friendly relations between Japan and Sweden, and facilitating exchange in academic fields of science and technology	*Marshal of the Realm *Former President of the Royal Swedish Academy of Science *Former (Founding) Director of the Nobel Museum	Svante Lindqvist (65)	Stockholm, Sweden (Sweden)
The Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to the strengthening of human relationship in the various fields and the promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and the world	*Executive Chairman, World Economic Forum (Founder) *Former Professor for Business Policy, University of Geneva	Klaus Schwab (75)	Cologne, Geneva, Switzerland (Germany)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening Japan's presence in India and to promoting friendly relations between Japan and India through the Delhi Metro Project	*Former Managing Director, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation *Former Member of the Governing Board of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research *Current and Founding President of the Foundation for Restoration of National Values	Elattuvalapil Sreedharan (81)	Malappuram District, Kerala, India (India)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting friendship and to strengthen economic relations between Japan and Brunei Darussalam	*Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade II *Chairman of Brunei LNG *Chairman of Brunei Shell Petroleum	Lim Jock Seng (69)	Brunei Muara, Brunei Darussalam (Brunei Darussalam)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Poland, and Japanese culture in Poland	*General Counsellor, Ministry of Culture and National Heritage *Former Ambassador of Poland to Japan	Jadwiga Maria Rodowicz-Czechowska (59) (F)	Warsaw, Poland (Poland)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to introducing and developing Japanese art and culture in Russia, and promoting cultural exchange between Japan and Russia	*Former Director of the Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts *President of the Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts	Irina Aleksandrovna Antonova (91) (F)	Moscow, Russia (Russia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to the enhancement of mutual understanding between the United States and Japan and the promotion of Japanese culture and values through research and studies in Japanese Religions	*Professor Emeritus, Department of Religion, University of Hawaii *Former Chairman, Department of Religion, University of Hawaii	George Joji Tanabe, Jr. (69)	Waiialua, Hawaii, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to the promotion of the understanding of Japan in Southern California	*Former Chairman, Japan America Society of Southern California *Former Executive Committee Chair, Japanese American National Museum *Current Chairman Emeritus, Japan America Society of Southern California *Former Executive Vice President, Bank of America	Ray Thomas Decker (75)	San Francisco, California, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to enhancing the economic relationship between Japan and Switzerland	*Owner and President of the Emil Frey Group *Former member of the Swiss Parliament (National Council) *Member of the board of Economies Suisse *Board Member of the Swiss Automobile Importers Association (auto-schweiz)	Walter J. Frey (70)	Kusnacht, Zürich, Switzerland (Switzerland)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to developing prevention/treatment methods in periodontal disease and to educating researchers of dentistry	*Former Professor and Chairman of Periodontology, University of Gothenburg *Former Dean, Faculty of Odontology, University of Gothenburg *Professor Emeritus, Sahlgrenska Academy, University of Gothenburg	Jan Lindhe (78)	Gothenburg, Sweden (Sweden)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting Japanese language studies and culture in Spain, and mutual understanding between Japan and Spain	*Translator and Author on Japanese Literature *Professor of Department of Translation and Interpretation of Centre for Higher Education Studies “Felipe II” of Complutense University of Madrid *Former Professor of Japanese Culture and Literature of Centre for Higher Education Studies “Felipe II” of Complutense University of Madrid	Carlos Rubio López de la Llave (62)	El Real de San Vicente, Toledo, Castilla la Mancha, Spain (Spain)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japanese and German Jurists	*President of German-Japanese Association of Jurists *Former President of Finance Court Hamburg	Jan Grotheer (67)	Hamburg, Germany (Germany)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to presenting Japanese culture in the Federal Republic of Germany and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Germany	*Director of the Martin-Gropius-Bau *Managing staff, Berliner Festspiele	Gereon Siervernich (64)	Berlin, Germany (Germany)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to the development of Japanese studies mainly in the field of social studies, and the promotion of international university cooperation and mutual understanding between Japan and the Federal Republic of Germany	*Vice President, Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg *Former President, German-Japanese Society, Halle (Saale) (the first)	Gesine Foljanty-Jost (61) (F)	Halle (Saale), Saxony-Anhalt, Germany (Germany)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to planning Japanese energy policy and promoting energy industry	*Chief Economist and Director of the Directorate of Global Energy Economics, International Energy Agency	Fatih Birol (55)	Paris, France (Turkey)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to advancing the digital TV system developed in Japan and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil	*Current General Director of Engineering of TV Globo	Fernando Bittencourt (66)	Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (Brazil)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contribute to promoting cultural relations and mutual understanding between Japan and France	*Honorary Consul of Japan in Lille *Member of the Board of Directors of "Lesaffre et Compagnie"	Patrick Lesaffre (74)	Lille, France (France)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting friendly relations between Japan and Brunei Darussalam and to promoting Bruneian's understanding on Japan	*Former Deputy Minister of Industry and Primary Resources *Former (Founding) President of the Brunei Japan Friendship Association *Advisor of the Brunei Japan Friendship Association *Former Chief Executive of Brunei LNG	Hamdillah Abdul Wahab (64)	Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam (Brunei Darussalam)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting academic exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Peru, and to enhancing the status of Japanese-Peruvian community	*Former Rector, The National Agrarian University-La Molina *Former President of Peru Kagoshima Kenjinkai *Counselor, The National Council of the Magistracy *Board Member, The Academy of the Magistracy	Luis Katsumi Maezono Yamashita (70)	Lima, Lima, Peru (Peru)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting friendly relations between Japan and Bolivia, and to making valuable contributions in protecting the life and health of Japanese citizens	*Associate Professor, Department of Neurosurgery, National San Andres University Hospital *Former Chairman of Bolivia National Neurosurgical Society	Raul Armando Beltran Osio (60)	La Paz, La Paz, Bolivia (Bolivia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to the development of Japanese language studies, the improvement of the level of Japanese language education and the promotion of Japanese language	*Professor of National University of Mongolia *President of Teachers of Japanese in Mongolia	Suren Dolgor (58) (F)	Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia (Mongolia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting economic relations and cultural exchange between Japan and Taiwan	*Former Chairman of Chi Mei Corporation *Former Chairman of Chi Mei Optoelectronics Corporation *Chairman of Chi Mei Cultural Foundation *Chairman of Chi Mei Hospital	Shi Wen-Long (85)	Tainan, Taiwan -----
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to development of relations between Japan and Taiwan in the field such as academic exchanges	*Former Deputy Director, Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica *Adjunct Research Fellow, Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica *Former Adjunct Professor, Department of History, National Chengchi University	Huang Fu-ching (79)	Taipei, Taiwan -----
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to development of relations between Japan and Taiwan in the field such as academic exchanges	*Former Adjunct Professor, Department of History, National Taiwan Normal University *Adjunct Research Fellow, Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica	Lin Ming-te (81)	Taipei, Taiwan -----
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting Judo in Italy and international exchange through Judo	*Vice President of the European Judo Union *Vice President of FIJLKAM (Federazione Italiana Judo Lotta Karate Arti Marziali)	Franco Capelletti (74)	Rezzato, Province of Brescia, Lombardia, Italy (Italy)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to deepening and developing the Japanese Literature Studies in Italy	*Former lecturer, Faculty of Literature and Philosophy, University of Rome "Sapienza"	Teresa Ciapparoni La Rocca (71) (F)	Roma, Italy (Italy)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting cultural exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Iran	*Film Director	Abbas Kiarostami (73)	Tehran, Iran (Iran)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting Japanese culture in Brazil and comprehension of Japan	*Cartoonist *President of Mauricio de Sousa Production *President of Mauricio de Sousa Cultural Institute	Maurício de Sousa (78)	São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil (Brazil)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to the advancement of cultural exchanges between Japan and the U.S. and to the promotion of Japanese Culture in the community	*The Luther W. Brady Curator of Japanese Art and Senior Curator of East Asian Art, Philadelphia Museum of Art *Board Member, Japan America Society of Greater Philadelphia	Felice Fischer (69) (F)	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting cultural exchange and friendly relations between Japan and El Salvador	*President of Ikebana International, San Salvador Chapter 244	María Emma Recinos de Martínez (85) (F)	San Salvador, El Salvador (El Salvador)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Germany	*President of the German-Japanese Society Saarbruecken *Former Vice-President of the Association of the German-Japanese Societies	Manfred Gerhard Krischek (77)	Saarbruecken, Saarland, Germany (Germany)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting cultural relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Mexico, and to enhancing the well-being of the Japanese residents and Japanese descent in Mexico	*President of the Mexican-Japanese Association of Puebla (founder) *President of the Japanese Language Center of Puebla	Armando Ono Nakamura (71)	Puebla, Puebla, Mexico (Mexico)

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The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the State of Qatar	*Former local employee of the Embassy of Japan in the State of Qatar	Vijay Kumar Sharma (60)	Doha, Qatar (India)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting activities of the Consulate-General of Japan in Jeddah	*Former local staff of the Consulate-General of Japan in Jeddah	Abdulelah Ahmed Alderwish (60)	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia (Saudi Arabia)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	*Former local employee of the Embassy of Japan in Paraguay	María Elena Arriola Ibañez (58) (F)	Asunción, Paraguay (Paraguay)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	*Former local employee of the Embassy of Japan in Lao PDR	Boualy Chandara (60)	Vientiane Capital, Laos (Laos)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	*Former local employee of the Embassy of Japan in Tunisia	Hamadi El Mhenaoui (60)	Douar Hicher, Manouba, Tunisia (Tunisia)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	*Former local employee of the Consulate-General of Japan at Penang	Yusoff Suzani (60)	Sungai Dua, Penang, Malaysia (Malaysia)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to the development of education in private University in Japan	*Professor Emeritus, Faculty of Foreign Studies, Sophia University *Former President, Sophia Junior College Division *Former President, Kyoto Seibo College	Collins Daniel Joseph (77)	Kobe city, Hyogo Prefecture, Japan (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to the development of education in private University in Japan	*Emeritus Professor, Meiji University *Former Dean of the School of Business Administration, Meiji University	Taikichi Gon (79)	Nerima-ku, Tokyo, Japan (Korea)