

2015 Autumn Conferment of Decorations on Foreign Nationals

Decoration	Services	Major Titles	Name	age	Address and Nationality
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	*Former Deputy Secretary of State *Former Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs	Richard Lee Armitage	70	Vienna, Virginia, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	*Former National Security Advisor *President of The Scowcroft Group, Inc.	Brent Scowcroft	90	Bethesda, Maryland, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	*Former National Security Advisor *Former Partner of Hogan and Hartson (Head of International Group)	Samuel R. Berger	70	Washington, District of Columbia, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	*Former Secretary of State *Former Secretary of the Treasury *Former White House Chief of Staff	James A. Baker, III	85	Houston, Texas, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	*Former Secretary of Defense *Former Member of the House of Representatives *Former United States Ambassador to NATO	Donald Rumsfeld	83	Taos, New Mexico, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to strengthening relations between Japan and Italy and between Japan and European Union	*Former President of the Council of the Ministers of the Italian Republic *Former European Commissioner *Senator for Life	Mario Monti	72	Rome, Lazio, Italy  (Italy)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and India	*Former Ambassador of India to Japan *Founder Chairman, Japan-India Partnership Forum *Former Professor and Director, the Global Security Research Institute, Keio University *Vice President, Global Schools Foundation and Chairman, Global Indian International Schools Japan	Aftab Seth	72	New Delhi, India.  (India)

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Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to promoting political and cultural exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and the Republic of Korea	*Former Ambassador of Republic of Korea to Japan *Former Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade *Chairman of Korea-Japan Forum	YU Myung-Hwan	69	Seoul, Republic of Korea (Korea)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to developing economic relations and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Hungary	*Former Minister of Foreign Affairs *Former Managing Partner of the Law firm of Martonyi&Kajtár·Baker&Mckenzie	Martonyi János	71	Budapest, Hungary (Hungary)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil, and to lifting the status of Nikkei community in Brazil	*Former Commander of Brazilian Air Force *Former Chief of Staff of Brazilian Air Force	Juniti Saito	73	São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil (Brazil)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to promoting relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the Europe	*Former Prime Minister of Belgium *Former Speaker of the House of Representatives *Former President of the European Council	Herman Van Rompuy	68	Sint-Genesius-Rode , Belgium (Belgium)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to the enhancement of relations between Japan and Luxembourg as well as Japan and the European Union	*Former Prime Minister of Luxembourg *Former Finance Minister of Luxembourg *Former President of the European Commission	Jacques Santer	78	Luxembourg City, Luxembourg (Luxembourg)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening economic relationship between Japan and Indonesia	*Former Cairman of the Indonesian Emplyers Association(Apindo) *Special Chief Advisor (Economic) to the Vice President *Former Member of People's Consultative Assembly	Sofjan Wanandi	74	Central Jakarta, Jakarta Province, Indonesia (Indonesia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting academic exchange and science and technology cooperation between Japan and the United Kingdom	*Former Director of the Institute of Astronomy, University of Cambridge *Astronomer Royal *Former President of the Royal Society	Martin John Rees	73	Cambridge, The United Kingdom (U.K.)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening economic relations between Japan and Ethiopia	*Economic Adviser to the Prime Minister *Chairman of the National Bank of Ethiopia *Executive Director of Ethiopian Development Research Institute	Newayechristos Gebreab	74	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia  (Ethiopia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting exchange between Japan and Austria	*Former Chairman of the Japan-Austria Committee for Issues of the Future *Former Chairman of the Japan-Austria Committee for the 21st Century *Vice President, Austria National Bank	Max Kothbauer	65	Vienna Austria  (Austria)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting industrial and academic relations between Japan and Sweden	*Former President of Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences *Former Chairman of Sweden-Japan Foundation	Hans G. Forsberg	85	Stockholm, Sweden  (Sweden)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting personnel, cultural and political exchange between Japan and the Republic of Korea	*Board Directors, Korea-Japan Friendship Association *Former Member of National Assembly *Former Vice Chief Director of Korea-Japan Parliamentarian's Union	KIM Chai-ho	85	Gyeonggi-do, Republic of Korea  (Korea)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting friendly and bilateral relations between Japan and Germany	*Parliamentary group leader of the ruling CDU/CSU in the Lower House * Member of the Lower House	Volker Kauder	66	Berlin, Germany  (Germany)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting cultural exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and the Federal Republic of Germany	*President of the Goethe-Institut *Former President of the Prussian Cultural Heritage Foundation *International Advisor to the Praemium Imperiale	Klaus-Dieter Lehmann	75	Munich, Bavaria, Germany  (Germany)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Turkey	*Former Turkish Ambassador to Japan *Board of Trustees of The Turkish Japanese Foundation	Umut Arik	77	Ankara, Ankara, Turkey  (Turkey)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening economic relations between Japan and the Philippines	*Former Secretary of Trade and Industry * Former Chair of the Sub-Committee on Improvement of the Business Environment	Peter B. Favila	67	Pasig, Metro Manila, Philippines  (Philippines)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening economic relations and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Belgium	*Former President of the Belgium-Japan Association & Chamber of Commerce *Former President of the Federation of Enterprises in Belgium *President of Umicore N.V./S.A.	Thomas André Leysen	55	City of Antwerp, Province of Antwerp, Belgium  (Belgium)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening cultural and economic relations and promoting friendly relations between Japan and Poland	*Former Minister of Culture and National Heritage *Former Mayer of Wroclaw *Member of the European Parliament	Bogdan Zdrojewski	58	Wroclaw, Dolnoslaskie, Poland  (Poland)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Taiwan	*Former Chairperson of Association of East Asian Relations *Former Consultant of Japan Research Center of National Sun Yat-sen University *Consultant of Taiwan-Japan Cooperation on Industrial Technology	R. T. PENG	81	Taipei City, Taiwan
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to developing Japanese studies in the United States and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	*Professor of History, Our Lady of the Lake University *Program Head of History, Our Lady of the Lake University *Former President of the Japan-America Society of San Antonio	Margit Maria Nagy	73	San Antonio, Texas, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting cooperative relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States in the police field	*Distinguished Professor Emeritus, School of Criminal Justice, State University of New York *Former Dean, School of Criminal Justice, State University of New York *Former Professor, School of Criminal Justice, State University of New York	David Hume Bayley	82	Feura Bush, New York, U.S.A  ( U.S.A.)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting exchange and friendly relations between Japan and the United States	*Honorary Consul-General of Japan in Phoenix *Former President of the Japan America Society in Phoenix *Board Member of Arizona Japan Matsuri Steering Committee	Kelly Moeur	64	Tempe, Arizona, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting exchange and friendly relations between Japan and the United States	*Honorary Consul-General of Japan in Philadelphia *Director of Japan America Society of Greater Philadelphia	Dennis J. Morikawa	69	Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to introducing and popularizing Japanese art in Iran, and promoting cultural exchange between Japan and Iran	*Former Professor of Faculty of Arts, Alzahra University	Pariyoush Ganji	70	Tehran, Tehran, Iran  (Iran)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting Japanese studies in India and academic exchanges between Japan and India	*Former Professor of Delhi University *Former Head of the Department of Chinese and Japanese Studies of Delhi University	Brij Mohan Tankha	68	Delhi, India  (India)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting Japanese fisheries and national health based on fish lipid studies	*Director of the Institute of Brain Chemistry and Human Nutrition *Visiting Professor of Imperial College London	Michael A. Crawford	85	London, Greater London, The United Kingdom  (U.K.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting mutual understanding, cultural and economic relations between Japan and the Netherlands	*President of Hotel Okura Amsterdam *Executive Vice Chairman of Hotel Okura Co., Ltd. *Representative Director of the Board, President of Okura Nikko Hotel Management Co., Ltd.	Marcel P.R.C.van Aelst	67	Noord-Holland, Netherlands  (Netherlands)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to developing Japanese studies and promoting Japanese culture in Colombia	*Former Professor, Languages and Social Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, Los Andes University *Former Director of the Japanese Culture Research Centre, Los Andes University	Jaime Barrera Parra	74	Bogotá D.C., Colombia  (Colombia)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to the international cooperation by Japan in the field of disaster prevention and to the promotion of understanding of Japan	*Former President of the Swedish Red Cross *Former Vice-President of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies *Former Head of Disaster Preparedness and Response at the Secretariat of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies	Eva von Oelreich	71	Stockholm, Sweden  (Sweden)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to developing studies of Japanese arts and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Spain	*Professor, Faculty of Arts, University of Zaragoza *Former Secretary General of the National Association of Japanese Studies in Spain	Elena Barlés Báguena	53	Zaragoza, Spain  (Spain)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to developing Japanese language education in China and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and China	*Chairman and Principal of Private Hualian College *Former Director of Japanese Teaching and Researching Office, School of Foreign Studies, South China Normal University	HOU DE-FU	84	Guangzhou, Guangdong, China  (China)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to developing Japanese Language Education and to cultivating scholars of Japanese Studies in the People's Republic of China	*President, Center for Japanese Studies of Fudan University *Former Director, Institute of World Economy, Fudan University	Zheng Lizhi	91	Shanghai China  (China)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting academic exchanges and to enhancing mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil	*Emeritus Professor of the University of Sao Paulo *Former Vice-President of the University of Sao Paulo	Sedi Hirano	77	Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo, Brazil  (Brazil)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to strengthening economic relations between Japan and Brazil	*Chairman of Wise-Men Group *Former President of ABIQUIM – Brazilian Chemical Industry Association *1st Vice-President of the Federation of Industries of the State of Rio de Janeiro – FIRJAN	Carlos Mariani Bittencourt	77	Rio de Janeiro, The State of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil  (Brazil)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting scientific exchange between Japan and France	*Professor emeritus of the department of Japanese language and civilization at the Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales *Former Director of the department of Japanese language and civilization at the Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales	François Yves Robert Macé	68	Enghien-les-Bain, France  (France)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting economic relations between Japan and the Republic of South Africa	*Former Chief Executive of Nissan South Africa *Former President of National Association of Automobile Manufacturers of South Africa	John Ernest Newbury	73	Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa  (South Africa)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to developing Japan studies in Mexico and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Mexico	*Professor of Michoacan's College *Former President of Indigenous Intercultural University of Michoacan (First President)	Agustín Jacinto Zavala	71	Jacona, Michoacan, Mexico  (Mexico)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting economic relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Lao PDR	*Governor of Savan-SENO Special Economic Zone	Bouakham Sisoulath	65	Savannakhet Province, Lao PDR  (Lao PDR)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to developing musical culture in Japan and promoting friendship between Japan and Russia	*Professor and Chairman of Piano Division of Moscow P.I. Tchaikovsky Conservatory *Guest professor of Musical Department at Toho Gakuen College	Mikhail S.Voskresensky	80	Moscow, Russia  (Russia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to developing musical culture in Japan and promoting friendship between Japan and Russia	*Professor of Moscow P.I. Tchaikovsky Conservatory *Former Chairman of Piano Division of Moscow P.I. Tchaikovsky Conservatory	Sergey L. Dorensky	83	Moscow, Russia  (Russia)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to developing Japan studies in Taiwan and promoting academic exchanges between Japan and Taiwan	*Former Professor, Tamkang University *Former Director, Institute of Japan Studies, Tamkang University *Professor emeritus, Tamkang University *Former Chairman of the Association of Japanese Language Education in Taiwan	Lin Pi-Xiong	84	New Taipei City, Taiwan
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting youth exchanges and friendly relations between Japan and the United States through baseball	*Co-founder and Honorary Director, World Children's Baseball Fair *Senior Vice President, Atlanta Braves *Former professional baseball player with the Atlanta Braves	Henry Louis Aaron	81	Atlanta, Georgia, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting understanding of Japan through the introduction of Japanese Literature in the United States	*Translator *Former teacher of Japanese Language, Ransom Everglades School *Former teacher of Japanese Language, Miami Dade County Public Schools	William Scott Wilson	71	South Miami, Florida, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	* Former Principal of University of Hawaii Laboratory School,	Loretta Krause	77	Honolulu, Hawaii, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting friendship and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	*Former President of the Japan America Society of Chicago *Former President of the Kobe College Corporation	Edward A. Grant	65	Burr Ridge, Illinois, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting the status of the Japanese American community in the United States and promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	*Former Deputy Chief of the Los Angeles Police Department *Former Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Japan America Society of Southern California	Terry Saburo Hara	57	Long Beach, California, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)



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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting exchanges and friendship between Japan and the United States	*Honorary Consul-General of Japan in Kansas City *Former President of the Heart of America Japan America Society	Francis P. Lemery	76	Prairie Village, Kansas, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to disseminating Japanese culture of manufacturing in India as well as strengthening the economic relations and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and India	*Former Deputy Director General, Confederation of Indian Industry	Sarita Nagpal	61	New Delhi, Delhi, India  (India)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting cultural relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Indonesia	*Actress *Film producer *Director for Culture and Education, Indonesia - Japan Friendship Association (PPIJ)	Christine Hakim	58	Central Jakarta, Jakarta Province, Indonesia  (Indonesia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to enhancing Japan-UK exchange, friendship and mutual understanding	*Former Executive Director of the Japan Society *Consultant of the Japan Society	Robert Lincoln Guy	68	Hampshire, The United Kingdom  (U.K.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to introducing and promoting Japanese Gardens in the United Kingdom	*Former Chairman of the Japanese Garden Society *Honorary Vice-President of the Japanese Garden Society	Graham Peter Hardman	69	Sale, Cheshire, The United Kingdom  (U.K.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting development of education of Japanese language and research, and mutual understanding in the Middle East	*Professor of Department of Modern Languages, College of Languages and Translation, King Saud University	Shihab Faris	56	Riyadh, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia  (Egypt)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting cultural exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Austria through music	*Former President of Künstlersekretariat Buchmann GmbH *Former Violinist and Managing Director of the Vienna Chamber Orchestra	Rudolf Buchmann	74	Vienna, Austria  (Austria)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting cultural exchanges between Japan and Spain through the gastronomy, and popularizing Japanese food culture	*Former Owner and Manager of the restaurant “El Bulli” *Director of the El Bulli Foundation *President of the G9 (the World Summit of Gastronomy)	Ferran Adria Acosta	53	Catalonia, Spain  (Spain)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to developing Japanese studies and education of Japanese language, and promoting understanding of Japanese culture	*Professor, Faculty of Philosophy and the Arts, Autonomous University of Madrid *Director of the Center for East Asian Studies, Autonomous University of Madrid	Taciana Fisac Badell	54	Madrid, Madrid, Spain  (Spain)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to disseminating Japanese culture and promoting understanding of Japan in Sri Lanka	*Former President of Japan Sri Lanka Technical and Cultural Association *Former President of the National Chamber of Commerce of Sri Lanka	Chandra Lal De Alwis	72	Dehiwala, Sri Lanaka  (Sri Lanka)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting exchange and mutual understanding through music between Japan and Germany	*Musician (cellist) *Former head of Berlin Philharmonic (joint head)	Rudolf Weinsheimer	84	Berlin, Germany  (Germany)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting the Japanese language education and introducing and promoting Japanese culture in Brazil	*Professor, Section of Japanese Language, Department of Oriental and Slavic Studies, Faculty of Letters, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro. * Former Head of Department of Oriental and Slavic Studies, Faculty of Letters, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro. *Former President of Brazilian Association of Japanese Studies	Sonia Regina Longhi Ninomiya	66	São Paulo City, São Paulo, Brazil  (Brazil)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting further mutual understanding between Japan and France	*Honorary President of Association of KINOTAYO *Former President of International School of Science of Information Treatment *Former President of Vifi Nathan *Former European Director of Planning, Texas Instruments Europe	Joseph Michel Georges Motro	72	Neuilly-sur-Seine, France  (France)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting cultural exchange between Japan and Bulgaria and developing Japanese rhythmic gymnastics	*Former Coach of Bulgarian National team of Rhythmic Gymnastics * President of Levski Club of Rhythmic Gymnastics *Former member of the Bulgarian Olympic Committee	Neshka Stefanova Robeva	69	Sofia, Bulgaria  (Bulgaria)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting friendly relations, cultural exchange and mutual understanding and strengthening of economic relations between Japan and Vietnam	*Central Committee member, Vietnam Fatherland Front *President, Tri Dung Business School *President, Minh Tran Co., Ltd *Vice President, Japan-Vietnam Partnership Club	Nguyen Tri Dung	66	Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam  (Vietnam)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting cultural exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Belgium through art of flower arrangement	*Flower artist *Founder of BVBA Daniel Ost	Daniel Ost	60	Sint-Niklaas, Belgium  (Belgium)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to developing Japanese historical Studies in Portugal and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Portugal	*Former President of the friendship group Portugal-Japan *Professor, the Faculty of Human and Social Sciences of the New University of Lisbon *Director of the Centre for Overseas History (CHAM)	João Paulo Oliveira e Costa	53	Lisbon, Portugal  (Portugal)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting and introducing Japanese culture and improving understanding toward Japan in Mongolia	*Critic on Japanese Culture, translator *Head of Mongolia-Japan Center for Culture and Literature *Honorary Chairman of Mongolian Go Association *Honorary Chairman of Mongolian Shogi Association *President of Mongolian Soroban Association	Deleg Tumurbaatar	57	Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia  (Mongolian)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to developing Japanese language research and education in Russia	*Head of Foreign Languages and Linguistics Department of St.Petersburg State University of Culture, Associate Professor *Board member of the Russia-Japan Friendship Society	Irina Isaevna Bass	75	Saint Petersburg, Russia  (Russia)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to developing Japanese studies in Russia and promoting cultural exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and Russia	*Assistant Professor, the School of Regional and International Research, the Department of Japanese Studies, Far Eastern Federal University(DVFU) * Former Researcher of Institute of History, Archaeology and Ethnography of the Peoples of the Far East, Far Eastern Branch of Russian Academy of Sciences	Morgun Zoya Fyodorovna	68	Vladivostok, Primorsky Region, Russia  (Russia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting Japanese culture and understanding of Japan in the United States	*Founder and President of the Japanese Garden Foundation, Inc.	Charles W. Wood	95	Mobile, Alabama, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to the betterment of welfare for the Japanese American community in the United States	*Vice President of the Japanese American Association of New York *Former Co-Founder of Asian Pacific Islander Coalition on HIV/AIDS	Suki Terada Ports	80	New York, New York, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	*Former Chair of the Board of Directors, Japan Society of Northern California *Co-Chair of the Executive Committee, San Francisco-Osaka Sister City Association	Kathleen Kimura	69	Millbrae, California U.S.A.  (U.K.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting community exchange, friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Australia	*Former Chairman of Townsville City Council Townsville Sister City Committee *Former Chairman of North Asia-North Australia Women Leaders' Conference	Susan Roberts	70	Townsville, Queensland, Australia  (Australia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to introducing Japanese Culture in Canada, promoting friendly relations between Japan and Canada and strengthening the unity of the Japanese Canadian Community	*Former President of the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre, Toronto	Martin Blake Kobayashi	60	Toronto, Canada  (Canada)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting cultural exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and the Republic of Korea	*Former Organizer of the Memorial Service for the Deceased Japanese in Republic of Korea *Current Director of Hwajeong Tea House *Adviser, Federation of Korean Tea Masters Society	SHIN Woon-hak	77	Yangpyeong-gun, Gyeonggi-do, Republic of Korea  (Korea)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting youth exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and the Republic of Korea	*Founder, National Director of YFU-Korea	Shin Chungha	85	Seoul, Republic of Korea  (Korea)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to strengthening cooperative relations between Japan and Palau in recovery and commemoration efforts for the war dead in the Second World War	*Chief Obak'ldelolk *Member of the Peleliu State Legislature	Isao Peter Singeo	77	Ngerdelolk Hamlet, Peleliu, Republic of Palau  (Palau)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting Aikido in Malaysia and enhancing friendly relations between Japan and Malaysia	*President of Malaysia Aikido Association	Low Thian Seng	64	Puchong, Selangor, Malaysia  (Malaysia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to spreading Japanese language in Taiwan and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Taiwan	*Translator and interpreter between Chinese and Japanese *Representative of YUAI Group	Chang Wen-Fang	85	Taipei City, Taiwan
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 Italy	Maria Rosaria Ravacchioli	61	Rome, Lazio, Italy  (Italy)
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 Egypt	Mahmoud Ahmed Abdou	60	Ezbet Mansour Hadaek, El-Kobba, Cairo, Egypt (Egypt)
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 Korea	Lee Won Ja	70	Yongin-city, Gyeonggi-do, Republic of Korea  (Korea)

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The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	*Former local employee of Embassy of Japan in Turkey	Inci Guralp	61	Ankara, Ankara, Turkey (Turkey)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	*Local employee of the Consulate General of Japan in Manaus	Paulo Roberto Do Nascimento Gil	64	Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil (Brazil)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japan Interchange Association overseas office	*Former local employee of the Japan Interchange Association, Kaohsiung Office	Su Tzu-Chin	63	Kaohsiung City, Taiwan
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 Vietnam	Dang Thuy Hien	59	Hanoi, Vietnam (Vietnam)