

## Japan's Friendship Ties Programs (JENESYS2021, KAKEHASHI Project, MIRAI, Juntos!!) Overview

### 1. Objectives:

This is a people-to-people exchange program launched in 2015 between Japan and the various nations and regions of the Asia-Pacific, North America, Europe, Latin America, and the Caribbean.

The purpose of this program is to:

- i. Deepen the understanding of Japan's economics, society, history, diverse culture, politics, and diplomatic relations among participants,
- ii. Foster supporters and experts of Japan,
- iii. Strengthen public relations through proactive dissemination of Japan's diplomatic policy and attractive points by participants,
- iv. Strengthen relations between Japan and above nations and regions.

#### 【Program name for each region】

- JENESYS2021(Japan - East Asia Network of Exchange for Students and Youths) :  
Regions of the Asia-Pacific
- KAKEHASHI Project : Regions of North America
- MIRAI (Mutual-understanding, Intellectual Relations and Academic Exchange Initiative) :  
Regions of Europe
- Juntos!! : Regions of Latin America, and the Caribbean

### 2. Programs:

This program will include approximately 3,100 people who will be sent to or from Japan and the Asia-Pacific, North America, Europe, Latin America, and the Caribbean in the Japan's Fiscal Year of 2021 (From April,1,2021 to March,31,2022).

#### (1) INBOUND program (from the Asia-Pacific, North America, Europe, Latin America, and the Caribbean)

Participants: High school students, college students, graduate students and professional individuals

Number of participants: Approximately 2,630

Duration: Approximately 10 days (including online pre-program)

Contents: 1) To attend lectures on Japanese politics, economics, society, history, and diplomatic relations to gain a deeper understanding of Japan.

2) To visit education and research institutions, high-tech and traditional industries, fine arts and traditional crafts exhibitions, cultural heritage sites, and local government offices. They will interact and exchange ideas with people in these various sites through workshops and other events.

3) To participate in homestays / home-visits with Japanese families, and visits to many parts of Japan that include various types of traditional performing arts and public entertainment events.

4) To convey information about Japan's attractions through reporting sessions or Social Network Services during / after the program.

#### (2) OUTBOUND program (to the Asia-Pacific, North America, Latin America, and the Caribbean)

Participants: High school students, college students and graduate students

Number of participants: Approximately 470

Duration: Approximately 10 days (including online pre-program)

Contents: 1) To convey information about Japanese politics, economics, society, history, and diplomatic relations in order to promote an improved understanding of Japan.

2) To participate in visits and observation tours of education and research institutions, community development project sites supported by Japanese Overseas Development Assistance, as well as businesses run by those of Japanese heritage. The participants can interact and exchange ideas with people in these various sites through workshops and other events.

3) To attend experience-based programs such as homestay and traditional performing arts.

(3) Online Exchange Program

Participants: High school students, college students, graduate students and professional individuals

Contents: Webinar, Exchange of opinion, Virtual site-visit and experience