

# **Monthly Glocal News**

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#### Diplomat's Study Tour in Fukushima Prefecture



Group photo with Governor UCHIBORI



and students of Futaba Future School



Picking peaches

n August 2 and 3, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan conducted Diplomat's Study Tour together with Fukushima Prefecture. 15 participants including Ambassadors and other representatives from 12 countries visited various sites and facilities. Regional attractions such as industry, tourism, local food, and also as well as the current situation of the revitalization from the Great East Japan Earthquake, were fully promoted to the diplomats.

#### Japanese used fire trucks and ambulances promote international exchanges



tank to the Dominican Republic (Matsudo City, Chiba Prefecture)



Donation and delivery of a fire truck with water Donation of a truck with a ladder and training to the Republic of Chile (Kyoto Chubu Wide-area Office Association)



There was a great response on the official X (formerly Twitter) account of the Japan Office of the Republic of Nauru Tourism Bureau, and the event was covered by the local media.

he Society for Promotion of Japanese Diplomacy (SPJD) is involved in overseas aid projects, donating used fire engines and ambulances offered by Japanese local governments to developing countries through the scheme of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' ODA " the Grant Assistance for Grass-Roots Human Security Projects ". This article provides information on exchanges between Japanese local governments and those of overseas through the above cooperation.

#### Visit to Hiroshima Prefecture by Governor of the State of Guanajuato, Mexico



Governor Yuzaki of Hiroshima Prefecture and Governor Rodríguez of the State of Guanajuato



Governor Rodríguez's visit to Headquarter of Mazda



Governor Rodríguez and Governor Yuzaki with participants of Hiroshima flower festival

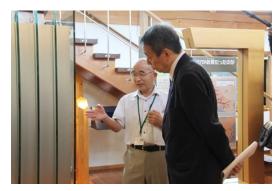
n July of this year, Governor Rodríguez of the State of Guanajuato, Mexico, visited Hiroshima Prefecture and met with Governor Yuzaki of Hiroshima Prefecture and representatives of local companies, etc. This article provides an overview of Governor Rodríguez's visit to Hiroshima prefecture.



## Exchange between the regions related to Mr. Sugihara Chiune and Israel



Ambassador Mizushima visited "Port of Humanity Tsuruga Museum" in Tsuruga City and posted a message



Visit to the Chiune Sugihara Memorial Hall



Visit to the park commemorating Mr. Sugihara Chiune

n July of this year, Ambassador Mizushima visited the regions of Japan related to Mr. Sugihara Chiune, who had issued "visas for life" to many Jewish refugees during World War II. This article provides information on connections between Fukui, Aichi, Gifu Prefectures and Israel.

### I will lay the foundation for global tourism that brings out the value of Okinawa's traditional culture and contributes to the local community!



Teaching local children how to ride on the traditional boat "Harley"



The traditional boat "Fukaki Sabani," in Itoman City.

r. Tuitou Ludovic (commonly known as Ludo-san), who is currently working as a community development cooperative in the Tourism and Sports Promotion Division of the City Office in Itoman City, Okinawa Prefecture, contributed to this report, telling us why he moved to the city, what he is doing, and what charms the city can offer from a foreigner's perspective.



