

## 1 Participants

- In addition to **Japan and African countries** (48 African countries including 20 heads of state and government) , **Japan-AU Parliamentary Friendship League, international organizations, private companies, and civil society organizations** participated, in various forms while utilizing online meeting tools.
- **Prime Minister KISHIDA** participated in the form of online. **Foreign Minister HAYASHI, Special Envoy of the Prime Minister**, together with **H.E. Mr. Kais SAIED (President of the Republic of Tunisia)** and **H.E. Mr. Macky SALL (AU Chair)** participated in person.

## 2 Summary of the Remarks by the Prime Minister KISHIDA

- Africa, supported by its young people, is a continent where the dynamic growth is expected. As Japan aspires to be **“a partner growing together with Africa”**, it will help realize resilient Africa that Africa itself aims to achieve, through a virtuous cycle of growth and distribution.
- Focusing on people as individuals, specifically **“invest in people”** and **“the quality of growth”**, Japan will promote its initiatives with approaches quintessentially Japanese. Over the next three years, Japan is going to **invest US\$30 billion** as the sum of public and private financial contribution through the following initiatives;
  - ① **Green investment** : Launching **“Japan’s Green Growth Initiative with Africa”**, where US\$4 billion public and private financial contribution in total is made.
  - ② **Promotion of investment** : Focusing on start-up companies in which energetic young people from Japan and Africa will be engaged. Japan welcomes a plan by the Japanese business community to create an investment fund for start-ups of more than 10 billion Japanese yen.
  - ③ **Development finance** : Providing co-financing of up to US\$5 billion together with the African Development Bank in order to improve the lives of African people. A special, newly-created loan of up to US\$1 billion to support countries that advances reforms that result in sound debt management.



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- ④ **Public health** : Contribution of up to US\$1.08 billion to the Global Fund to support measures to counter infectious diseases, taking the concept of human security as the basis.
- ⑤ **Human resource development** : Cultivating more than 300,000 professionals in a wide range of fields including industry, health, medicine, education, agriculture, judiciary and administration.
- ⑥ **Regional stabilization** : Appointing an Ambassador, Special Envoy for the Horn of Africa to respond swiftly to the complex challenges facing the region.
- ⑦ **Food Security** : Providing US\$300 million to bolster food production through co-financing with the African Development Bank and assist with capacity building for 200,000 people in the agriculture sector in order to help create a resilient society.



## 3 Overview of Discussions

- **Three Plenary sessions** (Economy, Society and Peace and Stability) , **Business Forum, the Fourth Hideyo Noguchi Africa Prize Award Ceremony** were held.
- At **Plenary 1 (Economy)** , Prime Minister KISHIDA announced that the Government of Japan would contribute to the realization of a resilient African economy, which had been seriously affected by COVID-19 and the situations in Ukraine, by promoting private investment, securing fair and transparent development finance, promoting green investment and strengthening of food security. The participants shared the recognition that African development should not be impeded by unfair and opaque development finance.
- At **Plenary 2 (Society)** , Prime Minister KISHIDA announced that the creation of high-quality living environments is essential to ensure a steady growth of Africa, and that Japan would focus particularly on health, education, and the environment. The participants reiterated the need for the international community to stand together in solidarity against issues commonly faced by all humankind, such as infectious diseases and climate change.

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- At **Plenary 3 (Peace and Stability)** , Prime Minister KISHIDA announced that Japan would vigorously support the promotion of the rule of law through institution building and the strengthening of governance in the judicial and administrative fields, and also support Africa's own efforts to return to constitutional order and consolidated democracy. He also announced Japan's contribution to the initiatives to improve administrative services, including the contribution to enhancing community infrastructure.
- At the **Closing session, "TICAD 8 Tunis Declaration"** was adopted.
- The **Business Forum** was attended by about 300 participants, from about 100 Japanese companies (including about 10 people from start-up companies), 100 African companies (including about 30 people from Tunisian companies), African economic ministers, development finance institutions and Japanese public organizations. Discussions were held on how to enhance business relationship between Japan and Africa. In total 92 Memorandum of Understandings (MOUs) were signed between Japan and Africa.
- At the **Fourth Hideyo Noguchi Africa Prize Award Ceremony**, Dr. Salim S. Abdool Karim and Dr. Quarraisha Abdool Karim (South Africa) were awarded for their contributions to HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment in the field of Medical Research Category. In the field of Medical Services Category, "Guinea Worm Eradication Program" (USA) was awarded for its contributions to the eradication of Guinea worm disease. It was the first time to hold this ceremony in Africa.

### 4 Bilateral Meetings

- **Prime Minister KISHIDA** had bilateral meetings with 10 countries/organization, including meeting with H.E. Mr. Kais SAIED (Tunisia, host country) , H.E. Mr. Macky SALL (AU Chairperson) , H.E. Mr. Moussa Faki Mahamat (AUC Chairperson, one of the co-organizers) , and others. **Foreign Minister HAYASHI** had bilateral meetings with 21 countries, including 8 heads of state and government.
- In-depth discussions were held on the challenges facing African countries and complex international situations surrounding Africa. The importance of development finance, i.e., issues of unfair and opaque lending was addressed and it was confirmed that Japan and Africa would work together to tackle the issues. Regarding the Russia's aggression against Ukraine and its impact, a strong commitment to strengthening food security in Africa was confirmed. Many leaders expressed their condolences to the former Prime Minister ABE Shinzo.