## The 30<sup>th</sup>Anniversary of the Japan-OSCE Partnership

- Japan-OSCE partnership started from the OSCE Helsinki Summit in 1992. Japan has been constantly cooperating with the OSCE in response to the demands of the times as the most longstanding partner in Asia for the OSCE. 2022 marks the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Japan-OSCE partnership.
- Throughout the partnership, Japan has mainly contributed to (1) Policy Dialogues in the OSCE meetings, (2) Support OSCE's activities in Ukraine and (3) Support to the Border Management in Central Asia as below. Japan will continue to cooperate with the OSCE on its comprehensive approach to security to realize peacebuilding in the international community.



 Foreign Minister Kishida (at that time) attending the OSCE Asian Conference (2014)

## (1) Policy Dialogues in the OSCE meetings

• Since 1992, Japan has actively engaged in political dialogues annually through participation to the OSCE Ministerial Council and to the OSCE Summit. Furthermore, Japan has organized OSCE Asian Conference five times in Tokyo to share knowledge and experiences with the OSCE and the OSCE partners in Asia.

## (2) Support OSCE's activities in Ukraine

- Considering that the important role the OSCE plays in improving the situation in Ukraine, Japan has provided financial support and dispatched experts to the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission (SMM) (experts have been dispatched intermittently from August 2015 to February 2022).
- Japan will continue to support Ukraine and its neighboring countries based on the understanding that the security of Europe and the Indo-Pacific is inseparable.

## (3) Support to the Border Management in Central Asia

• Japan has provided support for preventing terrorism by means such as strengthening border patrol in Afghanistan and Central Asia through the Border Management Staff College (a capacity building organization) in Tajikistan (About 4.20 million Euro in total since 2012)

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