

# Juntos!! Japan-Latin America and the Caribbean Exchange Inbound Program (South America Group) Report Theme: Sustainable Development (IUU Fishing)

#### 1. Program Overview

**[Objectives]** This program was implemented with the aim of having participants learn about efforts related to the sustainable development of fishery resources and the current state of Japanese administration and measures against illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing (IUU fishing) so that they can utilize what they learn to maintain order of the fisheries industry in their countries and for measures against IUU fishing

# [Participants]

Total: 5 working youth from the following five countries:

Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Uruguay

\*In alphabetical order

## [Location]

Tokyo, Niigata

## 2. Program Schedule

■ Pre-study program (online):

October 25, 2023

Orientation before arriving in Japan, prior explanation on the Inbound Program Set period

[Online] Lecture on Japan, Learning Japanese

#### ■ Inbound Program:

Sunday, November 5 Participants from Uruguay, Columbia, and Peru arrived at Narita airport Participants from Ecuador and Chile arrived at Narita airport

Monday, November 6 Orientation, Traveling, Lecture, Observation

【Orientation】 Orientation upon arrival to Japan Traveling from Tokyo to Niigata prefecture

[Theme related observation] Niigata Coast Guard Office Patrol board"Sado [Theme related lecture] "9th Regional Coast Guard Headquarters Description" Mr KOSUGI Yuichiro, Senior Officer(Lieutenant), Administration Division, 9th Regional Headquarters, Japan Coast Guard

Tuesday, November 7 Traveling, Theme related lecture Q&A session

Traveling from Niigata prefecture to Tokyo

Theme Related Lecture

"Outline of JAPAN COAST GUARD and combatting illegal fishing" Japan Coast Guard

[Theme Related Lecture]

"Description of IUU fishing discovery, and legal process", Fisheries Agency

[Theme Related Lecture]

"IUU FISHING BY FOREIGN VESSELS AROUND JAPAN", Fisheries Agency [Theme Related Lecture]

"Fisheries distribution optimization system", Fisheries Agency of Japan [Courtesy Call]

Mr. HORII Iwao, State Minister for Foreign Affairs

Wednesday, November 8 Observation

[Observation] Kamakura City

[Observation] Japan Coast Guard Museum YOKOHAMA

Thursday, November 9 Lecture

[Theme Related Lecture] "Combating IUU fishing for Sustainable Fisheries; Japan and Latin America"

Mr. FUJIWARA Toshihisa, Assistant Manager, Fishery Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Friday, November 10 Reporting session, observation

[Reporting Session]

【Observation in Tokyo】 Asakusa

Sunday, November 11 Departure

Participants from Uruguay, Ecuador, Chile departed from Haneda airport. Participants from Columbia and Peru departed from Narita airport.

## 3. Program photos

# Pre-study program



# **Inbound program**



November 6 [Thematic related observation] Niigata Coast Guard Office atroll boad "Sado



November 9 (Observation) Kamakura city



November 7 [ [Coutesy Call] Mr. HORII Iwao, State Minister for Foreign Affairs]



November 9 [Theme Related Lecture] Ministry of Foreign Affairs



November8 【Observation】 Japanese Coast Guard Museum, Yokohama



November 10 【Reporting session】

## 4. Voices from Participants (excerpt)

## ♦ Working Youth (Peru)

Japanese culture and its presentations are indeed impressive.

## **♦** Working professional (Uruguay)

The visit to the Japan Coast Guard in Niigata stands out the most.

## **♦** Working Youth (Ecuador)

All the visits were interesting, the visit to the Japan Coast Guard in Niigata stands out the most.

# **♦** Working Youth (Columbia)

It was interesting to meet people from the national authorities of Japan. To know more about their processes and framework. The culture is amazing and the people are such as respectful. Japan is so clean

## 5. Action Plans Presented at the Reporting Session (excerpt)

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- ABOUT THE CULTURE OF JAPAN: THE CITIZEN IS VERY ORDERED, RESPECTFUL, EFFICIENT AND KIND.
- THE FOOD IS VERY RICH AND VARIED, AND IN CONTRAST IT IS VERY DIFFERENT FROM THE FOOD IN OUR COUNTRIES
- THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM IS VERY EFFICIENT, PRECISE, FAST AND CLEAN, AND IS WIDELY INTERCONNECTED
- THE MENTALITY OF THE JAPANESE IS TO TAKE CARE OF THEIR COUNTRY AND DELIVERY IT IN GOOD CONDITIONS TO THE NEXT GENERATIONS
- THE ARCHITECTURE COMBINES THE OLD WITH THE MODERN IN A HARMONIOUS WAY AND MAKES WELL USE OF THE SPACES
- < Requests for the future program >
- The current situation within Japan about the Illegal fishing would be more fruitful since most of the lectures were focused on the illegal issues from overseas.
- It would be appreciated if we would have chances and places to introduce our action plans after coming back to our home countries.

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