

MIRAI Program

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

In consideration of my acceptance and participation in the Japan's Friendship Ties Programs "MIRAI Program", hereafter referred to as the Program, I,

agree and consent to the following:

- **I have read and fully understand the document entitled Application Guideline paying special attention to the sections (3) Qualifications for Participants, (6) Terms and Conditions and (7) Handling of Information Protection Law.**
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, JICE, and associated Subcontractors will not be held liable for any of the actions or negligence of any third parties including, but not limited to: commercial airlines, hotels, and restaurants.
- I am fully responsible for the arrangement, expenses, methods, and safety of transportation to/from my residence to/from the designated International Airport to be used for the Program, and it is not considered the responsibility of The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, JICE, or associated Subcontractors whatsoever.
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, JICE, its subcontractors, and the host organizations are not and will not be held liable for any injury, accident, illness, loss or personal property or other contingencies, which may ensue during, or in connection with my participation in this program except that such injury, accident, illness, loss of personal property or other contingencies are related to or arising from JICE's gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct.
- Any and all debts incurred by me during this program including, but not limited to: medical, dental, hospital bills (over and above the provided traveler insurance coverage), replacing a lost passport, and personal expenses (e.g. long distance calls) are my own responsibility and will not be paid by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, JICE, or its subcontractors.
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, JICE, and its subcontractors reserve the right to change or alter travel, lodging, or other arrangements without notice or reason.
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan and JICE may remove me from the program at any time for reasons staff deems sufficient including, but not limited to, my attitude, or behavior. Expenses incurred for such removal are my responsibility and must be paid by me immediately upon demand.
- I am fully responsible for costs associated with last-minute cancellations or changes, initiated by me, due to any reason other than a medical or personal emergency.
- All costs that are not explicitly included in the program are my own responsibility.
- Photos taken of me during the course of the tour may be uploaded to the Program website and used in promotional materials.

- I understand that family members who are not participants in the Program are not allowed to accompany me or my group.
- I will abide by and adhere to Japanese laws and rules.
- I will share my experiences on the program after returning Europe and will fill out a questionnaire about them. The Program administrators may contact me for follow-up surveys 6 months and 1 year after the end of the program. These entities may also contact me to share announcements about nearby programs on Japan or invite me to Japan-related events.
- I will provide a copy of my valid passport or a copy of my expedited passport application to the organizing staff *as soon as possible*.
- If my citizenship requires visa to enter Japan, I am responsible for physically retrieving the visa from the closest Japanese consulate or embassy to my residence.

By signing this Form, and agreeing to participate in MIRAI Program, I, the participant, have read the foregoing and consent and agree to its contents. I am also agreeing to release JICE (including its employees and agents) of and from any and all claims, liabilities, actions and causes of action arising from or relating to your participation in MIRAI Program, except for gross negligence of JICE.

Signature of Participant

Date