**China-Japan-Korea Youth Exchange Program**

24-27 September 2017 / Tokyo, Japan

Organized by

Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan (MEXT)

Japanese National Commission for UNESCO

The Goi Peace Foundation

**About the Program**

The China-Japan-Korea Youth Exchange Program will bring together young leaders from the three countries under the theme of Education for Sustainable Development (ESD).

As a follow-up to the UN Decade on ESD (2005-2014), UNESCO launched the Global Action Programme on ESD (GAP) with five priority action areas, one of which is dedicated to mobilizing and engaging youth who have the potential to propel sustainable development more widely and urgently.

It was also reaffirmed at the Trilateral Education Ministers’ Meeting, held in Seoul in January 2016, that the youth of the three countries should be encouraged “to recognize their shared responsibility in addressing local issues including respect for human rights, eradication of poverty, protection of the environment and promotion of cultural heritage and sustainable development.”

In this context, the Program will offer the opportunity for the participants to co-create a vision for a peaceful and sustainable future, while deepening mutual understanding through dialogue, peer learning and exchanges.

**Main Objectives**

The Program aims to:

* Foster awareness of local and global challenges and a sense of shared responsibility for a sustainable future.
* Promote mutual understanding and trust among the youth of the three countries, thereby contributing to peace and prosperity of the region and the world.
* Develop leadership among the youth and encourage them to act as multipliers for sustainable development.

**Dates**

24-27 September 2017 (4 days including travel days)

**Venue**

Makuhari International Training Center, Chiba City, Japan

**Tentative Schedule**

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| 24 September (SUN) | Arrival in Japan  Welcome dinner and orientation |
| 25 September (MON) | Introduction, keynote speeches, group discussions, etc. |
| 26 September (TUE) | ESD field trip  Closing plenary |
| 27 September (WED) | Departure |

**Working Language**

English

**Participants**

30 university students (ages 18-25) from China, Japan and Korea (10 persons from each country)

**Selection Criteria**

To be eligible for participation, you must be:

1. A national of Korea
2. Currently an undergraduate student (including exchange students) living in one of the three countries.
3. Proficient in English, and be able to actively engage in discussions.
4. Involved in sustainable development activities, addressing issues such as the environment, peace, human rights, health and welfare, community development, energy and disaster prevention.
5. Committed to the objectives of the Program; be able to contribute to the discussions and output; and be willing to actively share what they learned with their community back home.

**Application Procedure**

Please submit the following document to Korean Council for University Education by Tuesday, June 27:

1. Completed Application Form

**Travel Expenses**

Organizers will cover roundtrip international airfare to and from Tokyo, Japan, as well as accommodation, meals and transportation within Japan.

Please note that participants are responsible for their domestic transportation (from their home to an international airport with direct flight to Tokyo), traveler’s insurance, and incidental expenses during their stay in Japan.