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Korean Organizing Committee for
UN International Day of Peace

ACTIVITY REPORT (2017)

“2017 Japan-Korea Youth Peace Camp”

1. Purpose of the Project (In around 300 words)

In celebrating the 36th Anniversary of UN International Day of Peace, Japan-Korea Youth Peace Camp was held in Tokyo, Japan. The goal of this camp was to build a peace community in East Asia. The participants are mainly the youth who actively engage in peace campaigns and programs.

This project aimed to guide a path to peace through an educational program of “meet-communicate-understand” that would help to further understand the meaning of peace movement by sharing experience and knowledge among participants and encountering peace activists and organizations.

- A. To promote mutual understanding of peace between Japan and Korea for building peace community in East Asia
- B. To seek a path to peace through an educational seminar of peace by visiting peace organizations, encountering peace activists and discussing related matters.
- C. To improve solidarity among youth participants by taking a cultural and historical trip together, Japanese and Korean youth, for deepening their understanding of Japanese culture.

2. Contents of the project, and how those were implemented (in around 600 words)

Youth delegates from the Korean Organizing Committee for UN International Day of Peace visited peace activists and organizations in Japan. Together, they sought practical ways to achieve mutual understanding and world peace.

Youth delegates were able to visit peace organizations and to talk to peace activists whom they longed to meet. They had opportunities to ask questions about the mission and projects of each organizations.

When they had free time in the evening, they convened a seminar by themselves and had in-depth discussion with Japanese senior activists after dinner. While on the road, the various aspects of Japan they personally experienced actually facilitated understanding Japan better.

- Dates: November 2nd-6th, 2017 (4 nights and 5 days)

- Place: Tokyo, Japan

- Number of delegates: 10 people

- Organized by Korean Organizing Committee for UN International Day of Peace

- Sponsored by Niwano Peace Foundation, Chuo Academic Research Institute, Risho Kosei-Kai of Korea

- Participants and Organizations:

Mr. Tadashi Takatani (Executive Director of Niwano Peace Foundation)

Mr. Norio Sakai (Advisor at Risho Kosei-Kai Education Foundation)

Mr. Sa-Ho Lee (Researcher at the Chuo Academic Research Institute)

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Ms. Aki Miyanishi (Member Assistant of Japan International Volunteer Center)

Dr. Beom-Joon Kim (Professor of the University of Tokyo)

Mr. Dong-Hoon Kim (Senior Manager of Peace Winds Japan)

MR. Hedemori Gen (Director of Japan Social Minority Center)

Rev. Min-su Lee (Nippon Sei Ko Kai, the Anglican Communion in Japan)

Mr. Deuk-Young Kim (Principal of the Tokyo Korean School)

3. Time line records in general in chronological order (in around 300 words)

Time	Program
November 2, (Thursday)	
Morning	To Japan
Afternoon	University of Tokyo Dr. Beom-Joon Kim (Professor, University of Tokyo) Lecture and Discussion on "Humanitarian Aid with Technology"
Evening	Mr. Dong-Hoon Kim (Senior Manager, Peace Winds Japan) Dialogue on "NGO Trends in Japan"
November 3, (Friday)	
Morning	Niwano Peace Foundation Tadashi Takatani (Executive Director, Niwano Peace Foundation) Lecture on "Introduction to Niwano Peace Foundation"
Afternoon	Japan Social Minority Center Hidemori Gen (Director, Japan Social Minority Center) Lecture on "Social Minority in Shinjuku and Social Work of the Center"
Evening	Rev. Lee Min-su of The Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan) Dialogue on "Religion for Peace between Japan and Korea"
November 4, (Saturday)	
13:00	Tokyo Korean School Seminar on "A Case Study on Japan-Korea Cultural Exchange" Principal Kim Deuk-young (Principal, Tokyo Korean School)
15:30	Japan International Volunteer Center (JVC) Ms. Miyanishi (Manager, Miyannishi) Lecture on "JVC's Global Projects and Results"
20:30	Mr. Lee Saho (Researcher at the Chuo Academic Research Institute) In-depth discussion on "New Generations' view of Japan-Korea Relations"
November 5, (Sunday)	
Morning	Seminar by ourselves (Topic : A Comparative Study between Japan and Korea NGO)
Afternoon	Japan Culture Tour
Evening	Banquet of "Night of Understanding" with Former Chairman of the Risso Kosei-Kai - Learning on Japan culture and spirituality in peace networking
November 6, (Monday)	
08:30	WCRP-JPAN
12:20	Go back to Korea

4. Achievements

Activists at the Korean Organizing Committee for UN International Day of Peace achieved the following:

- Made known to public about the importance of peace
- Learned a great deal from peace organizations and activists who strive to install peace in the society
- Thankful for the opportunities of meeting peace workers who seek peace in little things and achieve peace in their everyday life.
- Great experience for having met organizations that works in diverse areas with different agenda
- The experience as a whole will be very helpful for future KOCUN-IDP campaigns and events. They believe that their efforts of advancing the relationship between Japan and Korea to become a true partner and making East Asia and the World peaceful will not in vain.

5. Tasks or challenge in future, or what is remain to be done (in around 300 words)

Biggest threat to peace are the conflicts and clash between civilizations arising from differences of religions, ethnicity, and culture. To overcome cultural misunderstanding and malicious distortion about “the others”, it is necessary for us to participate—to build mutual trust—and continue to have dialogues—to understand each other.

In East Asian region, different civilizations coexist such as the civilizations of Korea, Japan, China, the United States (the West) and Russia (Eurasia). This region is a center for global politics, economics, and cultures. At the same time, the military tensions are at the peak. From the past to present, international situations and history of each nations are very complicate, therefore, we are very much concerned that the clash of civilization might happen in the near future.

In this context, to avoid history from repeating itself, when the West started the World War and East Asian nation not to repeat that, we must start dialogue among civilizations from now on. This will be based on participation and dialogue. Dialogue among generations is important for forming social common understanding to drive practical change in the society. Anthropological cultural exchange (or dialogue among cultures) is vital in enhancing mutual understanding and trust between Japan and Korea. Korean Organizing Committee for UN International Day of Peace will strive to make peaceful East Asia by continuously trying such dialogues and exchanges.

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- <https://www.cari.ne.jp/en/archives/>

University of Tokyo

- <https://www.iis.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/research/group/protech/>

Japan Social Minority Center

Nippon Sei Ko Kai

- <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/anglican-province/nippon-sei-ko-kai-anglican-communion-japan>

Japan International Volunteer Center

- <http://www.ngo-jvc.net/en/>

Tokyo Korean School

- <http://tokyokoreanschool.weebly.com>



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Seminar by ourselves



Japan International Volunteer Center (JVC)



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Rissho Kosei-Kai Education Foundation



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Financial Report for Fiscal Year " 2017 "

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Organization name: Korea Organizing Committee for UN
International Day of Peace

<List of Income and Expenditure>

Items of expenditure		Sanctioned amounts in granted amount by NPF	Spent amount out of sanctioned amounts by NPF	Break down / Note
1. Personnel	Collaborators			
	Assistants			
2. Travel	Domestic			
	Overseas	US\$ 4,000	US\$ 4,000	Accommodation fee 1,200 Transportation cost 1,060 Food expenses 1,740
3. Transportation and Communication				
4. Conference materials				
5. Reference materials				
6. Printing / Copies				
7. Utensils and fixtures				
8. Supplies				
9. Payments to outside sources				
10. Miscellaneous				
Total (USD)		US\$ 4,000	US\$ 4,000	

(Duration of the project: Started : 2/11/2017 ~ Closed date : 6/11/2017)