FY2014 Inter-University Exchange Project University of Tsukuba

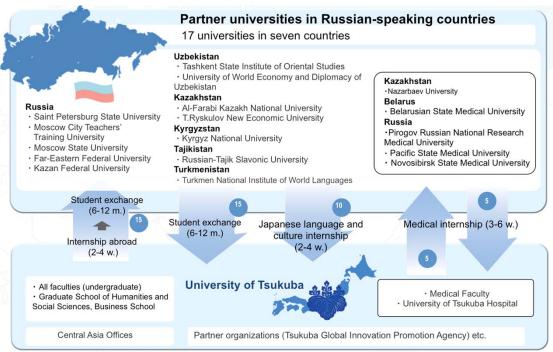
Support for the Formation of Collaborative Programs with Russian and Indian Universities

1. Outline

【Global Education Program for Developing Multilingual Human Resources in Japan, NIS and Baltic countries】 (Adopted year: FY2014, Country (Russia))

(Summary of Project)

The program is aimed at bringing up global human resources to actively engage in the cooperation between Japan and Russian-speaking countries. The objectives are to be met through implementation of educational program for undergraduate students from seven Russian-speaking countries: Russia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan.



Summary of Exchange program I

There are following four educational objectives:

- 1. Student exchange (6-12 months, both inbound and outbound)
- 2. Internship abroad (2-4 weeks, outbound)
- 3. Practical internship for medical students (3-6 weeks)
- 4. Japanese language and culture internship (2-4 weeks, inbound)

(Vision of Global Human Resources)

Equipped with extensive knowledge on society, culture, customs and history of Japan and Russian-speaking countries, multilingual individuals with practical skills who are able to excel in business and other areas related to Japan and Russian-speaking countries, including industries, international organizations, NGO, ministries and agencies. Such individuals will become a potential strategic resource to operate on a global level.

(Uniqueness of the project)

The program goes beyond the borders of the Russian Federation and involves the countries of Central Asia where the Russian language is spoken widely. In addition, both language and practical skills are nourished through business internships and economic forums.

[Exchange numbers]

		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Outbound	8	38	45	45	45
	Inbound	8	40	40	40	40

2. FY2014 Progress

(Global Education Program for Developing Multilingual Human Resources in Japan, NIS and Baltic countries) (Adopted year: FY2014, Country (Russia))

■ Exchange Programs



(during an outbound internship)

1-2 week internships in March 2015

A total number of 52 students (47 undergraduate and 5 graduate students) participated in internships in the Russian Federation, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Kazakhstan, and Tajikistan.

All internship programs were organized in order to practice presentation skills, conduct discussions in various contexts, use foreign languages and foster initiative-taking skills. Notwithstanding their short period, the internships proved to be an appropriate and effective educational tool of the program.

Student Mobility

O Outbound

52 students (47 undergraduate and 5 graduate students) participated in 1-2 week internships to Russian Federation, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Kazakhstan, and Tajikistan.

O Inbound

With an official launch of the program in 2015, 14 students from partner universities will study at the University of Tsukuba.

	2014		
	Plan	Results	
Outbound	8	52	
Inbound	8	14	

■ Forming the University Network with Quality Assurance

Symposium with delegations from 15 universities

In February 2015, the Symposium to mark an official start of the project was launched. 15 delegations from partner universities (approximately 70 guests) discussed the issues of networking and collaborating between universities.

Cooperation on creating a campus-in-campus initiative with Al-Farabi Kazakh National University

A MOU with Al-Farabi Kazakh National University was signed to cooperate in realizing a Campus-in-Campus initiative of mutual credit exchange system.

Promotion of Student Mobility Environment

Signing Agreements on Academic Exchange with 7 universities from Russian-speaking countries

Agreements on Academic Exchange were signed with Moscow State University, Kazan Federal University, Pirogov Russian National Research Medical University, Pacific State Medical University (Vladivostok), Novosibirsk State Medical University (Russian Federation), Nazarbayev University (Astana, Kazakhstan), and Belarusian State Medical University (Minsk, Belarus). Platforms for student exchange with all partner universities were finalized.

■ Internationalization of the university Information disclosure and Publication of outcome

-Students from 9 faculties and 2 graduate schools participated in internship programs abroad

Based on all-university cooperation, students from 9 undergraduate
faculties and 2 graduate schools participated in internship programs abroad. Health and Physical These programs have thus become an opportunity for students with various major backgrounds to have a learning experience in a Russian-speaking country.

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Science and Engineering (3)

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Japan-Russia student forum to be held

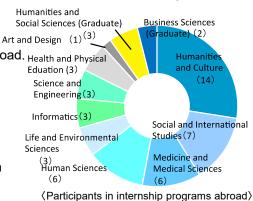
"Japan- Russia student forum" will be organized by Japan-Russia Youth Cooperation Center and University of Tsukuba in December 2015.



⟨Symposium held on February 15, 2015 ⟩



⟨The ceremony of signing an Agreement for Academic Exchange with the Moscow State University. From left to right- Evgeny Afanasiev, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to Japan, Viktor Sadovnichy, the Rector of the Moscow State University, Kyosuke Nagata, the President of the University of Tsukuba ⟩



3. FY2015 Progress

【Global Education Program for Developing Multilingual Human Resources in Japan, NIS and Baltic countries】 **Adopted year: FY2014 Country Russia**

Exchange programs



Cultural exchange between Japanese and Russian students in Moscow

Internship programs in Japan, Russia and NIS countries

Japanese students studying in Russia and NIS countries participate in internships while using Russian, English and Kazakh languages. Students from Russia and NIS countries studying in Japan get internship experience at homebuilder company lida Sangyo Co., Ltd., where they are assigned practical tasks of proposing business plans etc.

Japan-Russia student forum 2015

In December 2015, Japan-Russia Youth Cooperation Center and the University of Tsukuba held Japan-Russian student forum 2015, with the participation of 30 students from 16 universities in Russia and 30 students from 12 universities in Japan. The working language of the forum was English. The forum's program also included a tour of Izu where the Treaty of Shimoda was signed.

Student mobility

O Outbound

9 Japanese students went to one-year study in Russia, Kazakhstan etc. 50 students participated in short-term internships in 7 countries, with 10 medical students completing internship in medical universities in Russia and Belarus.

O Inbound

36 students from Russia and Central Asia came for one-year study in the University of Tsukuba and received internship experience at Japanese companies. 8 medical students from Russia and Belarus completed internship at the University of Tsukuba Hospital and passed clinical training at Pediatrics, Department of Radiation Oncology etc.

■ Forming the University Network with Quality Assurance

Establishing internship courses

New courses of "Internship abroad" and "Internship in Japan" (2 credits each) started in 2015 and a launch of "Project internship abroad" course in 2016 was finalized. These courses will ensure preserving a high quality of educational activities to inbound and outbound students.

Promotion of student mobility environment

Signing Agreements on Academic Exchange with universities in Caucasus and Moldova

With the aim of starting academic exchange with leading universities in Caucasus (Azerbaijan, Armenia and Georgia) and Moldova, in December 2015 faculty members of the University of Tsukuba went to Caucasus and Moldova and held discussions on the subject. As a result, Agreements on academic exchange were signed with Azerbaijan University of Languages (Azerbaijan), Free University of Tbilisi (Georgia), and Russian-Armenian (Slavonic) University (Armenia). Signing Agreement on academic exchange and starting cooperation with Moldova is scheduled to take place in 2016.

Internationalization of the university Information disclosure and Publication of outcome

Post-internship report meetings

4 post-internship report meetings were held in May and October 2015 and twice in April 2016. The meetings were attended by many students and university faculty and staff, and resulted in better understanding of the program's objectives and importance.

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Start of outbound practical medical training

In May 2016, 2 medical students started their 1 month clinical training at the Russian National Research Medical University. The training is carried out within the framework of the "Medical training abroad" program (11 credits).

	FY2015		
	Plan	Results	
Outbound	38	76	
Inbound	40	98	



Discussions between
Japanese and Russian students
at the Japan-Russia student forum
December 2015



Internship in Japan for foreign students
July 2015



Internship students and staff of the University of Tsukuba Hospital

4. FY2016 Progress

(Global Education Program for Developing Multilingual Human Resources in Japan, NIS and Baltic countries Adopted year: FY2014 Country Russia



Discussion during an economic forum in Moscow (June, 2016)

Exchange programs • Economic forums and internship programs in Japan, Russia and NIS countries

Outbound students were in charge of organizing economic forums to enhance the cooperation between Russian-speaking countries and Japan. The forums focused on jobhunting and employment opportunities, tourism etc. Students from Russia and NIS countries studying in Japan obtained internship experience at homebuilder company lida Sangyo Co., Ltd., where they were assigned practical tasks of proposing business plans etc.

Inbound and outbound practical medical training

The University of Tsukuba Hospital accepted 24 students from Russia for (appr.) a one month practical medical training, 2 medical students of the University of Tsukuba participated in a clinical training at the Russian National Research Medical University

Promotion of student mobility environment

O Outbound

11 Japanese students took part in six months and one-year study programs in Russia, Kazakhstan etc. 43 students participated in short-term internships in 5 countries, with 11 medical students completing internship at medical universities in Russia and Belarus.

O Inbound

51 students from Russia and Central Asia came for one-year study in the University of Tsukuba and received internship experience at Japanese companies. 24 medical students from Russia completed internship at the University of Tsukuba Hospital and passed clinical training at Pediatrics, Department of Radiation Oncology etc.

■ Forming the University Network with Quality Assurance Establishing internship courses

New courses of "Internship abroad" (2 credits, started in 2015) and medical course "International life science practical course" (1 credit) have been included into curriculum. Credit system for internship courses will further ensure preserving a high quality of educational activities to inbound and outbound students.

Promotion of student mobility environment Signing Agreements on Academic Exchange with universities in Caucasus and Moldova

Agreements on academic exchange with leading universities in Caucasus (Azerbaijan, Armenia and Georgia) and Moldova (Azerbaijan University of Languages (Azerbaijan), Free University of Tbilisi (Georgia), and Russian-Armenian (Slavonic) University (Armenia) and Moldova State University (Moldova)) were signed. This has marked a new level of cooperation with the Russian-speaking countries. In December 2016, Japanese language instructors from five countries participated in a Japanese language and culture internship held at the University of Tsukuba.

Internationalization of the university Information disclosure and Publication of outcome

Post-internship report meetings

3 post-internship report meetings were held since the launch of the project. The meetings were attended by many students and university faculty and staff, and resulted in better understanding of the program's objectives and its overall importance.

Tentative report of program progress

In May 2016 a tentative report of the program progress was carried out at the University of Tsukuba.

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Agreement on Academic cooperation with the Tohoku University

In March 2017, an agreement on academic cooperation was signed between the "Global Education Program for Developing Multilingual Human Resources in Japan, NIS and Baltic countries" of the University of Tsukuba and the Tohoku University.

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	Plan	Results	
Outbound	45	54	
Inbound	40	106	



"Cooperation of young Japan-Russia medical specialists in regional medical care' Held in collaboration with Niigata University and Japan-Russia Youth Cooperation Center (February 2017)



Japanese language and culture internship (December 2016)



Signing agreement on academic cooperation with Tohoku University (March 2017)

5. FY2017 Progress

[University of Tsukuba]

【Global Education Program for Developing Multilingual Human Resources in Japan, NIS and Baltic Countries】(Adopted year: FY2014, Russia)

■ Exchange Programs



(Discussion by Japanese and Russian students • during an economic forum. February 2018.)

• Economic forums and internship programs in Japan, Russia and Russian-speaking countries

Outbound students were in charge of organizing economic forums to enhance the cooperation between Japan and Russian-speaking countries. Culture and tourism-related topics were discussed. Outbound students participated in internships in the countries of their sojourn, while inbound students took part in an internship organized by homebuilder company lida Sangyo Co. Ltd., where they were assigned practical tasks of proposing business plans for Russia and Russian-speaking countries.

Inbound and outbound practical medical training

The University of Tsukuba Hospital accepted 10 medical students for a one-month practical training (Department of Renal urology, Department of Cardiovascular surgery). One medical student from the University of Tsukuba participated in a clinical training at the Russian National Research Medical University (Department of Trauma surgery).

Student-Mobility

Outbound

8 Japanese students took part in six-months and one year study abroad programs in Russia, Kazakhstan etc. 55 students participated in short-term exchange programs, among whom 8 students completed internship at medical universities in Moscow and Novosibirsk and one student took part in a clinical training at the Russian National Research Medical University.

Inbound

22 students from Russia and Central Asia studied at the University of Tsukuba and obtained internship experience at a Japanese company. 10 medical students from Russia participated in a clinical training (Department of Renal urology, Department of Cardiovascular surgery) at the University of Tsukuba Hospital. 14 educators and students of Japan research and the Japanese language from 7 universities in Russia attended a Japanese language and culture internship.

■ Forming the University Network with Quality Assurance

 Appr. 90 percent of outbound students receive credits during their study abroad/foreign internship

57 students out of 64 Japanese students who took part in the Program received credits for their study abroad/foreign internship. Program courses include "Project training abroad" (2 credits), "Internship abroad" (2 credits), "Clinical clerkship III" (11 credits), which have been incorporated into curriculum of the University of Tsukuba. Awarding credits for internship courses ensures preserving a high quality of the program's educational activities.

■ Promotion of Student-Mobility Environment

Meeting of the joint-program committee

With participation of instructors in charge from 7 Russian universities, a meeting of the joint-program committee was held to discuss various issues related to the program implementation. An emphasis was placed on credit exchange system between Russian universities and the University of Tsukuba. The meeting became a venue for information exchange, which will contribute to a further enhancement of the quality of the program implementation.

■ Internationalization of the university, Information disclosure and Publication of outcome

Post-internship report meetings

3 post-internship report meetings were held, where students presented their learning outcomes. The meetings were attended by many students and university faculty and staff, and the program's objectives and significance were discussed.

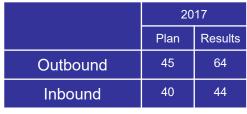
Publishing of Program outcome report/Website renewal

In February 2018, Program Outcome Report was published. In addition, with the renewal of the program's website, program outcomes were circulated.

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•The Russian-Japanese Student Forum 2017

Two Japanese students from this program participated in the "Russian-Japanese Student Forum 2017" held in Vladivostok in September of 2017. The proposals discussed and compiled there were later presented to Prime Minister Abe by one of them.





(Japanese language and culture internship, December 2017. University of Tsukuba)



Novosibirsk State Medical University)



(Graduation ceremony for inbound students, August 2017. University of Tsukuba)

