

FY2020 Inter-University Exchange Project Kyoto University and Tokyo University of Foreign Studies

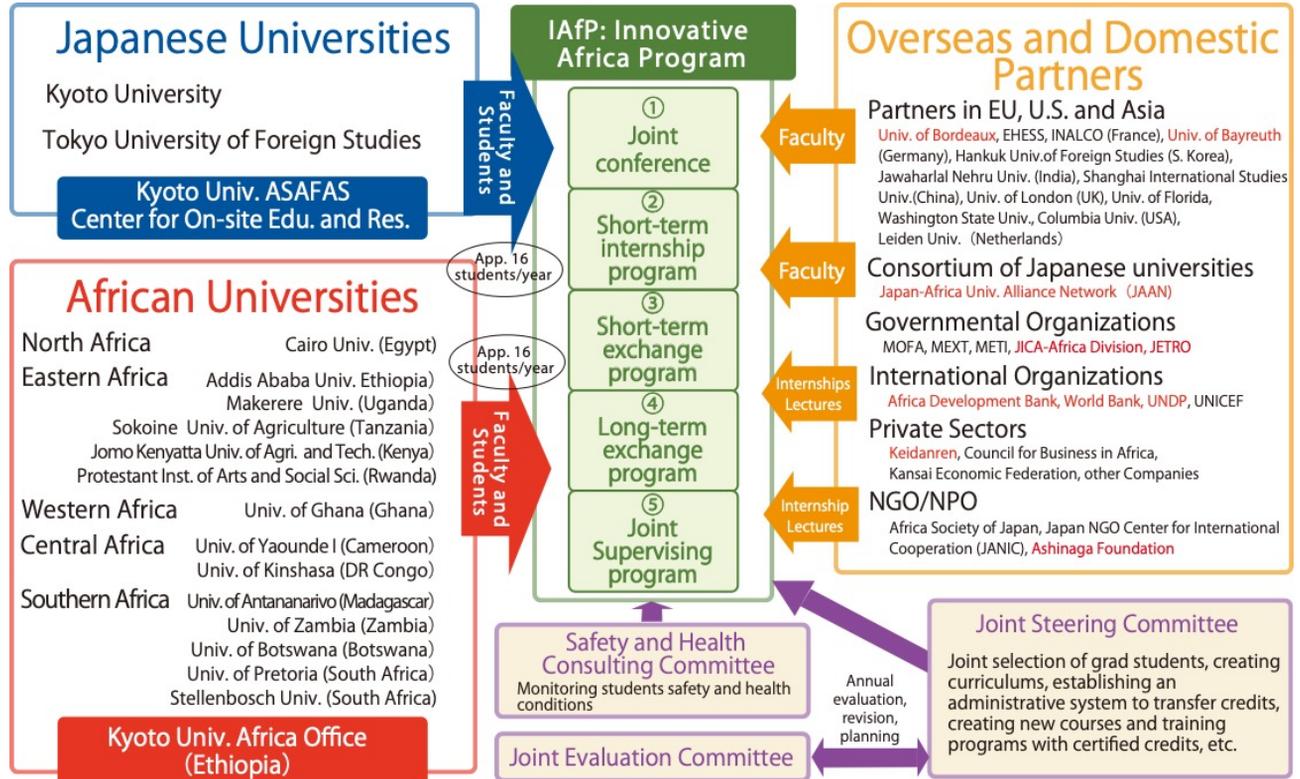
Support for the Formation of Collaborative Programs with African Universities

【Name of project】 (Adopted year: FY2020, (Type B))

Innovative Africa: Educational Networking Programs for Human Resource Development in Africa's SDGs

【Summary of Inter-University Exchange Projects】

To provide interdisciplinary curricula and create an academic and social platform where Japanese and African students can acquire training and create social innovations through fieldwork in Africa and internships in Japan and Africa.



【Summary of Exchange program】

- (1) Joint conference for students and junior faculty in collaboration with partners in North America, Europe, and Asia
- (2) Short-term internship program mainly for bachelor's and master's degree students
- (3) Bilateral short-term and (4) long-term exchange programs for students
- (5) Joint Supervising program, mainly for doctoral students

【Global Human Resource on the project】

Under the SDGs, in order to achieve high quality growth that is inclusive of people and overcomes crises and disasters, this programme aims to foster "trans-disciplinary" human resources familiar with the uniqueness and local knowledge of African communities, and who can lead the realization of technological and social innovation, thereby transcending the boundaries between humanities and sciences, and between researchers and practitioners.

【Feature on the project】

Kyoto University and Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, which have an excellent track record of education and research in Africa, will implement an international education program in cooperation with 14 partner universities in Africa, with a particular focus on three of the partner universities.

【Exchange number】

		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Out bound	Students studying abroad	0	6	8	8	8
	Students taking online international education and exchange programs in their home countries	0	6	8	8	8
In bound	Students studying abroad	2	5	8	8	8
	Students taking online international education and exchange programs in their home countries	2	5	8	8	8

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Formation of Platforms for Promoting Transdisciplinary Human Resources for SDGs-Oriented Innovation in Africa

【Summary of Platform Projects】

To promote far-reaching innovation in various areas to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Africa, we will build collaborative and interactive networks between universities in Japan and Africa, and between universities and practical institutions engaged in Africa.

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① **A network of Japanese Universities Collaborating with their African Counterparts**

② **A network between Japanese and African Universities**

③ **A collaborative Framework between Universities and Practical Institutions in Japan**

④ **A platform to Disseminate Information on Education and Students' Exchange Programs for African Universities**

⑤ **A platform to Disseminate Information on Health, Safety, Crisis Management, and Livelihoods in Japan and Africa**

Accelerate Japan–Africa Educational collaboration

- Strengthen relations with African countries
- promote mutual understanding among peoples

Foster and utilize human resources through Industry–University cooperation

- Cultivate highly specialized human resources
- Contribute to SDGs
- Contribute to Japan–Africa cooperation

Encourage more students who wish to work in international cooperation



【Plan】

1. Building **a Network of Japanese Universities Collaborating with their African Counterparts**

• **National Committee for Japanese Universities' International Exchange Program with Africa**

- organize with other universities selected for FY 2020 Inter-University Exchange Project

- create and disseminate model cases for educational exchange between Japanese and African universities

• **Network of Japanese Universities for Promoting Transdisciplinary Human Resources for Africa's Sustainable Development**

- organize with universities committed to educational exchange

- advise and assist exchange

2. Building **a Network between Japanese and African Universities**

- promote educational exchange between Japanese and African universities

3. Building **a Collaborative Framework between Universities and Practical Institutions in Japan**

• **Committee for Supporting Skilled Human Resources for Africa's Sustainable Development**

- consists of government ministries, African embassies, private enterprises, international cooperation institutions, and NGOs

• **Annual Meeting between Practical Institutions Engaged with Africa and Universities in Japan**

4. Building **a Platform to Disseminate Info. on Education and Students' Exchange Programs for African Universities**

5. Building **a Platform to Disseminate Info. on Health, Safety, Crisis Management, and Livelihoods in Japan and Africa**

【Feature on the project】

The University Educational Exchange between Japan and Africa is underdeveloped. There are several reasons for this: collaborations among Japanese universities are far from satisfactory; Japanese and African universities' information is not mutually accessible; it is very difficult for university students and teachers on both sides to obtain useful information for studies in either Japan or Africa, and students' expected career design. We will overcome these problems through the following actions: networking between Japanese and African universities, both domestically and internationally; networking among Japanese universities and practical stakeholders; creating information platforms on university education, safety, and livelihoods in Africa.