



Post WCSJ2015 Japan Tour 2 (Kyushu)

The Japanese Association of Science & Technology Journalists (President: Shigeyuki Koide) is organizing a press tour to Japan after the World Conference of Science Journalists 2015 (WCSJ2015).

This press tour is planned to be held with grants from the Sasakawa Peace Foundation and the Toshiba International Foundation, and in cooperation with Fukuoka Prefecture.

Application Details

1. Overview

This tour will visit Fukuoka, the Japanese prefecture closest to South Korea, where global top research institutes carrying out research and tests to create a hydrogen energy society based on fuel cells. The participants will also meet experts in data journalism, and discuss the topic with them. The tour will then visit Yanagawa, a historical castle town, and industrial sites that supported Japan's modernization which have efforts underway to list them as World Heritage Sites in 2015.

Itinerary

<Day 1: June 11, 2015 (Thursday)>

18:35-19:55 Incheon International Airport→Fukuoka Airport (Korean Air Flight 781)

Night Stay in Fukuoka City

<Day 2: June 12, 2015 (Friday)>

Morning Lecture on data journalism

Afternoon Visit Kyushu University, etc.

Night Stay at Harazuru Onsen

<Day 3: June 13, 2015 (Saturday)>

Daytime Visit Sites of Japan's Meiji Industrial Revolution, etc.

16:25-17:55 Fukuoka Airport→Incheon International Airport (Korean Air Flight 790)

Press tour ends at Incheon International Airport

2. Number of Participants

15 participants. Of these, 10 will be journalists from Southeast and South Asia, as part of the SjCOOP (Science journalism COOPERation) Asia project to develop science journalists in Asia that is run by the World Federation of Science Journalists (WFSJ) and JASTJ. The other 5



journalists will be selected from areas other than Southeast and South Asia. If there are more applicants than the number of spots available, participants will be selected with priority given to journalists, and consideration for the order applications were received and balance between regions.

3. Conditions to Apply

- Must participate in WCSJ2015.
- Must have English skills sufficient to carry out interviews in English.

4. How to Apply

<4-1> Journalists from Southeast and South Asia who hope to attend as part of the SjCOOP Asia project

The World Federation of Science Journalists (WFSJ) will accept the application. Please visit the WFSJ website linked below for program and application details:

URL: <http://wfsj.org/news/news.php?id=430>

<4-2> Others

(1) A registration fee of ¥10,000 will be charged for participants (includes the cost of ① return airfare between Seoul and Fukuoka, and ② transportation and accommodation (including breakfast) in Japan, indicated in the itinerary). Applicants must have a credit card that can pay the registration fee.

(2) Use the page linked below to apply:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1O9NbOqWXYmhCbeN20IOmYIAoHj0UWf7IFMFmlhc6jSY/vie/wform?usp=send_form

After sending the form, please send a copy of your passport to ma@fpcjpn.or.jp with "Application for Post WCSJ2015 Japan Tour 2 <Kyushu>" as the subject. An email confirming receipt of the application will be sent within three days of receiving the application.

[Application Deadline] Must arrive by noon (GMT) on April 18th, 2015

(3) All applicants will be informed of the results of their application by April 30. Participation in the tour will be considered confirmed after payment of the registration fee by credit card.

5. Notes

(1) This tour is organized by the Japanese Association of Science & Technology Journalists (JASTJ) and run by the Foreign Press Center Japan (FPCJ).

(2) JASTJ and the FPCJ will not be liable for any inconvenience, trouble or accident that might occur in the course of the tour. Each participant should purchase their own overseas travel insurance.



- (3) The press tour will require participants to cover part of the cost, but is not a profit-making venture.
- (4) This tour will begin and end in Seoul. It is possible for participants to return to their home country directly from Japan if they pay expenses themselves, so please indicate when applying if you want to do so. However, this will not entail a refund of any kind.
- (5) As a participant in this tour, it may not be possible to attend official WCSJ2015 events on June 11, depending on flight availability.
- (6) Accommodations for the second day (the 12th) of the tour will be a Japanese-style hot springs hotel. Please be aware that rooms will be shared with other participants, with men and women separate.
- (7) No refunds will be given for the registration fee after it has been paid, regardless of the reason. There may be others waiting for spots to open from cancellations, so please contact the FPCJ as soon as possible if it is no longer possible for you to participate in the tour.
- (8) This tour is being held thanks to financial assistance and cooperation from multiple companies and organizations. Please cooperate with our report to these organizations by submitting your response to a survey after the tour, and submitting any articles written based on the tour.

6. Contact Information

(For questions about tour details)

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Japan is a world leader in fuel cell technology, a core part of hydrogen technology, and the government has stated that it will work towards creating a hydrogen-based society. With Toyota beginning sales of the first fuel-cell vehicle (FCV) in the world last December, 2015 will be a major year for hydrogen, and this tour will visit Fukuoka, where global top research institutes



carrying out research and tests to create a hydrogen-based society are gathered. The tour will include interviews with experts at Kyushu University Next-Generation Fuel Cell Research Center (NEXT-FC). The tour will see the advanced facilities of the Hydrogen Energy Test and Research Center, the only public test facility in Japan for durability testing for products that handle high-pressure hydrogen, such as FCVs and hydrogen stations. The second theme of this tour is data journalism, and participants will listen to a lecture by experts. Tour participants will also visit Yanagawa, a historical castle town, and industrial sites that supported Japan's modernization which have efforts underway to list them as World Heritage Sites in 2015.

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18:35-19:55 Incheon International Airport→Fukuoka Airport (Korean Air Flight 781)
Night Stay in Fukuoka City

<Day 2: June 12, 2015 (Friday)>

Morning Leave hotel (chartered bus)
Before Lunch Lecture on data journalism (Fukuoka Prefectural Office)
Afternoon Kyushu University Next-Generation Fuel Cell Research Center
<http://fc.kyushu-u.ac.jp/> (Japanese Only)
Afternoon Itoshima Research Park, Hydrogen Energy Test and Research Center
<http://www.hytrek.jp/pdf/hytrekEnglish.pdf>
Night Stay at Harazuru Onsen

<Day 3: June 13, 2015 (Saturday)>

Morning Leave hotel (chartered bus)
Before Lunch Sites of Japan's Meiji Industrial Revolution (Miike Coal Mine, Miike Port)
http://www.kyuyama.jp/e/kyushuyamaguchi/ky_miike_01.html
http://www.kyuyama.jp/e/kyushuyamaguchi/ky_miike_02.html
http://www.kyuyama.jp/e/kyushuyamaguchi/ky_miike_03.html
http://www.kyuyama.jp/e/kyushuyamaguchi/ky_miike_04.html
Afternoon Yanagawa City (boat tour)
<http://www.yanagawa-net.com/eng/index.html>
19:10-20:40 Fukuoka Airport→Incheon International Airport (Korean Air Flight 780)
Press tour ends at Incheon International Airport