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Japan World Exposition 1970 Commemorative Fund **Grant Applications for 2024**

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The Embassy of Japan in Cyprus announces that the Japan World Exposition 1970 Commemorative (JEC) Fund Grant program is now calling for applications for single-year and multi-year projects. Successful applicants will receive grants of 3,000,000 YEN for single-year projects (approx. 19,252 EURO) and 15,000,000 YEN (approx. 96,264 EURO)* for multi-year projects.

** Estimates are based on 17/07/2023 conversion rates from JPY to EUR.*

Eligible Projects:

(1) Projects contributing to international cultural exchange or enhancement of international goodwill*¹

- Projects contributing to international cultural exchange
- Projects contributing to international cooperation

(2) International projects in the field of education or academic study*¹

- International projects in the field of education
- International projects in the field of academic study*²

**¹ Projects should be related to or associated with Japan*

**² International conference that qualify for the JEC Fund Grant are limited to meetings in basic natural sciences, excluding engineering and medical science, in which operational funds are deemed to be insufficient despite the importance of the meetings.*

**² International academic meetings do not qualify for a grant for a multi-year project.*

Window for submission of applications: September 1-30, 2023

**Received applications whose timestamp is not within the application window will be rejected.*

Applications should be submitted to the following address through international mail:

KANSAI OSAKA 21st Century Association

Japan World Exposition 1970 Commemorative Fund Department

29 F, Nakanoshima Center Building, 6-2-27 Nakanoshima, Kita-ku, Osaka, 530-0005 Japan

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Past selected projects from Cyprus

The projects from Cyprus applicants titled “Peace Lab: In Search for Harmony between Man and ‘Topos’” and “MAPS: Mobile Agora for Participatory Spaces” were shortlisted and selected in 2021 and 2022 respectively. The project selected in 2021 took place in 2022 and was granted 2,200,000YEN (approximately 15,000 EUR) and the project selected in 2022 took place in July 2023 and was awarded 1,000,000YEN (approximately 6,500 EUR).

About the JEC Fund Grant Program:

The Japan World Exposition 1970 Commemorative Fund Grant program (JEC Fund Grant program) has been managing part of the revenues from the Japan World Exposition of 1970 (Expo '70) as the Fund. With part of the Fund's investment income, the JEC Fund Grant program has offered grants (JEC Fund Grants) to approximately 4,600 projects since 1971. The program has offered the JEC Fund Grants to projects that were designed to inherit the idea of Expo '70 and contribute to international understanding at a total of approximately 19.3 billion yen since then.

For the fiscal year 2024, the JEC Fund Grant program invites the public to submit applications for grant-eligible projects that are total 115 million yen.

For more information and inquiries:

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Established in 2018, the Embassy of Japan in Cyprus unending mission is to function as a bridge introducing Japanese Culture to the people of Cyprus through events, educational programs, and grant programs.

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