

International Forum “Thinking from Disaster Affected Areas”

Schedule

* The schedule and content of events may be subject to change.

Workshop	Outline	Date / Venue	
Opening session: Fukushima in the World	Staff members from several foreign embassies in Japan will give presentations on how Fukushima Prefecture is perceived in their countries. Through their presentations, participants will gain a better understanding of how Fukushima Prefecture is perceived by people around the world, and exchange views, based on these perceptions, about what efforts they should make in the future to achieve better mutual understanding.	25th (Fri)	13:00 – 15:00 Hirono Town Community Center (Main Conference Room)
Play by high school students (performance)	After a “question presentation”-style play is performed by students from Futaba Mirai Gakuen High School, participants will discuss the questions presented by them.		15:15 – 15:30 Hirono Town Community Center (Main Conference Room)
Two affected areas – Kumamoto and Fukushima	Sharing the experience of a convener, who has provided support for the reconstruction of areas affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake and who also survived the 2016 Kumamoto Earthquake, panelists will look back at the two earthquakes and discuss what measures Fukushima and Kumamoto Prefectures can take in cooperation with each other as affected areas.		15:30 – 17:30 Hirono Town Community Center (Main Conference Room)
Thinking about coexistence with residents in public restoration housing	Given the fact that public restoration housing is being built in Hirono Town as the first public restoration housing project in the Futaba District, participants will think about how to solve possible problems to promote coexistence with residents in the housing in the Futaba District, referring to past cases.		15:30 – 17:30 Hirono Town Gymnasium (2F Meeting Room)
Association for the Future of the Futaba District (not open to the public)	Young staff members from eight municipal governments in the Futaba District will exchange views about the future of the Futaba District.		13:30 – 17:00 Naraha Town Hall
Looking back on the past five years	The French Institut de radioprotection et de sûreté nucléaire (IRSN) (“Radioprotection and Nuclear Safety Institute”) will introduce the efforts made in the Futaba District and other affected areas. Participants will exchange views on the future reconstruction of the affected areas.		10:00 – 12:00 Hirono Town Community Center (Main Conference Room)

Fukushima seen from the perspective of foreigners – Let’s think about Fukushima Prefecture while eating snacks!	Young foreigners living in Hirono Town and Iwaki City will talk about Fukushima Prefecture from the perspective of foreigners.	26th (Sat)	12:00 – 13:30 Hirono Town Community Center (Training Room 1)
“Presented to the Hometown in 30 Years’ Time” Report on the visit to the Republic of Belarus by high school students from the Hamadori area in Fukushima Prefecture	This summer, high school students from the Hamadori area in Fukushima Prefecture visited the area contaminated by the nuclear accident in Chernobyl 30 years ago. They will give a presentation on what they thought and felt there and exchange views, looking at the future of Fukushima Prefecture.		13:30 – 15:30 Hirono Town Community Center (Main Conference Room)
How should we connect Fukushima Prefecture with the world? – The role of people who send out information	A licensed guide who accompanied the foreign media as an interpreter will give a presentation on Fukushima Prefecture seen from the perspective of foreigners. There will then be a group discussion based on the presentation.		14:00 – 17:00 Hirono Town Gymnasium (2F Meeting Room)
Thinking about nursing children from disaster affected areas @ Futaba World	Participants will think about nursing children from their various perspectives through a “Café philosophique”-style discussion.		14:00 – 16:00 Hirono Town Community Center (Training Room 1)
Passing down hope to future generations, coping with the long-term disaster aftermath	The current situation, as well as issues in affected areas, which have been recognized through research and support activities for the past five years, will be reported. Participants will discuss the hopes of residents as well as the difficulties living in affected areas to explore recommendations for the future.		17:00 – 18:30 Hirono Town Community Center (Main Conference Room)
Thinking about a succession of traditional events to foster mental restoration	Participants will exchange views about the resumption of festivals to reconfirm the significance of strengthening people-to-people ties.		10:00 – 12:00 Hirono Town Community Center (Main Conference Room)
Report on the overseas training by junior high school students from Hirono Town – Cross-cultural communication program in Canada	Junior high school students from Hirono Town who visited Canada will report on their overseas training.	27th	10:00 – 12:00 Hirono Town Gymnasium (2F Meeting Room)

Restoration of farmland and the environment in the Futaba District – Thinking about community renovation through food and agriculture	Participants will think about the restoration of farmland and community renovation through food and agriculture in the Futaba District after residents return to the district. They will also exchange views on how to take advantage of the ideas of young people for these purposes.	(Sun)	10:00 – 12:00 Hirono Town Community Center (Training Room 1)
Living in Hirono Town and radiation	The situation of decontamination in Hirono Town will be reported. The situation will also be evaluated in collaboration with students of Futaba Mirai Gakuen High School (Social Entrepreneur Club).		12:30 – 15:00 Hirono Town Community Center (Main Conference Room)
<<Side Events>>			
Tea Ceremony	Experience a tea ceremony in the tea house in Futatsunuma Park.	25th (Fri) 18:00 –	Seimei-kan Hall, Futatsunuma Park
Display of the efforts of the Radiation Counseling Office	Panel display provided at booths	25th (Fri) – 26th (Sat)	Hirono Town Community Center (Small Conference Room)
Current situation of reconstruction in Fukushima Prefecture, with focus on the efforts of eight municipalities	Display of the efforts toward reconstruction, with focus on the efforts of eight municipalities	25th (Fri) – 27th (Sun)	Hirono Town Community Center (Small Conference Room)
Introduction of works of the foreign media and a study tour in the Soso District	Panel display of media works produced as a result of the provision of interpretation services by Omotenashi Guide Fukushima and a study tour in the Soso District	26th (Sat) 17:15 – 18:15	Hirono Town Gymnasium (2F Meeting Room)
Rice cake-making event	Serve freshly pounded rice cake made of new rice produced in Hirono Town to assure the safety of food and to reverse the damage caused by harmful rumors.	27th (Sun) in the morning	In front of the Hirono Town Gymnasium
<<Closing>> 27th (Sun) 16:00 –			

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