

# The Global Youth Leaders Development Programme "Ship for World Youth Leaders"

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

# Q. What is the aim of the programme?

A. The aim of this programme is to promote mutual understanding and friendship between Japanese and foreign youth through discussion and cultural exchange.

## Q. What are the benefits of participating in this programme?

A. The programme allows participants to develop communications skills to allow them to work with different cultures. Participants will develop their leadership and management skills by participating, presenting and organising activities during the programme. Participants gain a broad international view, experience international cooperation and further develop their leadership in areas of global importance.

## Q. How can I apply for the programme? What is the criteria?

A. You must be a New Zealand Citizen between 18 and 30 years of age. You must be able to participate fully in the programme, from 20 January 2015 – 14 February 2015. Further information and the link to the online application form is available at the MYD website <a href="http://www.myd.govt.nz">www.myd.govt.nz</a>.

#### Q. How long does the programme run for?

A. The programme is 24 days long. The NZ delegation will be away from New Zealand between 20 January 2015 and 14 February 2015.

#### Q. How many countries and how many participants from each country?

A. The Japanese Government has invited 10 other countries (Bahrain, Brazil, India, Kenya, Oman, Peru, Sri Lanka, Turkey, the United Kingdom, and New Zealand) to join 110 Japanese youth. The New Zealand delegation consists of 10 young people (one National Leader and nine Participating Youth).

#### Q. How much does it cost to participate?

A. The programme is sponsored by the Cabinet Office of the Japanese Government. Participants are responsible for their domestic travel in New Zealand, personal or incidental expenditure and travel insurance.

#### Q. What is the recruitment process?

A. Applications are received and shortlisted by the Ministry of Youth Development and Alumni Representatives. The recruitment panel will interview shortlisted applicants and recommend one National Leader and nine Participating Youth to the Japan Cabinet Office. The panel will also nominate 4 reserves should chosen individuals be unable to participate.

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