Chapter 1 Outline of the Program

Purpose and Contents

SSEAYP Future Youth Leaders Conference is carried out to promote friendship and youth exchange between Japan and ASEAN member countries continuously even in the era of COVID-19 pandemic. SSEAYP Future Youth Leaders Conference consists of two online conferences, the Next Generation Leaders Conference and the SSEAYP Conference for Considering its Role and Significance.

(1) Next Generation Leaders Conference

Discussion activities based on the ideal career fields where participants want to contribute in the future

a. Purpose

To foster leadership skills in various fields, to promote friendship and mutual understanding, and to improve practical skills in the international society. By deepening discussions in each field, participants will be able to make connection and build networks with youth across ASEAN member countries and Japan, which could lead to their future activities.

b. Contents

Participants discussed the nine topics (Policy, Diplomacy, Education, Global Company, Entrepreneurship, ICT, NGO/NPO, Environment and Disaster Risk Reduction, and Infrastructure), based on the situation of COVID-19 pandemic. Each discussion group was led by a facilitator and the discussion activities included a virtual field study.

(2) SSEAYP Conference for Considering its **Role and Significance**

Ex-Participating Youths (PYs) of the Ship for Southeast Asian and Japanese Youth Program (SSEAYP) will consider the role and significance of SSEAYP and make proposals how they could enrich the SSEAYP in the future. a. Purpose

To make further improvements on SSEAYP, participants of the past SSEAYP will share their experiences during and after the SSEAYP, and make proposals.

Participants discussed how the SSEAYP had contributed to foster friendship between Japan and ASEAN member countries and youth development, how the program could contribute to the friendship and youth development in the future, and made proposals from the standpoint of ex-PYs how they could enrich and make a meaningful program in the future.

Schedule

Item	Date	
Conference of the Representatives of the Ten Southeast Asian Countries and Japan	Mon., July 20 and Tue., July 21, 2020	
Selection of Japanese Participating Youths	Sat., December 5, 2020	
Pre-Program Training of Japanese Participating Youths	Sat., December 12, 2020	
Facilitators Meeting	Wed., December 16, 2020 Mon., January 11, Sun., January 24, Sun., January 31 and Sun., February 7, 2021	
SSEAYP Future Youth Leaders Conference	Sun., January 24, Sun., January 31, Sun., February 7 and Sun., February 21, 2021	

3 Participating Youths (PYs)

Each government selected their Participating Youths (PYs) who met the basic requirements stipulated below.

(1) Next Generation Leaders Conference

a. Number of PYs (Quota)

3 PYs \times 9 themes = 27 PYs per country 27 PYs \times 11 countries = 297 PYs overall

- b. Requirements
- (a) Youth who is interested in youth exchange between ASEAN member countries and Japan
- (b) Age between 18 30 years old as of a specific day in 2020 designated by each government
- (c) Youth who has a good command of English to participate in the discussion activities
- (d) Youth who has no experience of participating in the past SSEAYP

Although SSEAYP has a rule that you can only participate once, participation of the "Next Generation Leaders Conference" will not be counted as participation of SSEAYP, and will be able to participate in SSEAYP in the future.

(2) SSEAYP Conference for Considering its Role and Significance

- a. Number of PYs (Quota)
 - 4 ex-PYs of SSEAYP per country
 - $4 \text{ ex-PYs} \times 11 \text{ countries} = 44 \text{ ex-PYs overall}$
- b. Requirements
- (a) Youth who has been involved in the past SSEAYP
- (b) Age between 22 39 years old as of a specific day in 2020 designated by each government

Facilitators Meeting

The Cabinet Office held the online Facilitators Meetings of the Next Generation Leaders Conference with the attendance of nine facilitators. The aim of the Meeting was to ensure the smooth and effective implementation of the Next Generation Leaders Conference by sharing the common understanding on basic matters including purposes and by exchanging views and opinions about the program operation.

[Agenda of Facilitators Meetings]

Meeting 1 (December 16, 2020)

- (1) Outline and Schedule of the Next Generation Leaders Conference
- (2) Proposal from Facilitators and Exchange of Opinions regarding the Group Theme Information
- (3) Format of Presentation of Discussion Results
- (4) Pre-Program Assignments for PYs

Meeting 2 (January 11, 2021)

- (1) Updates from Facilitators
- (2) Preparation for the Next Generation Leaders Conference

Meeting 3 (January 24, 2021)

- (1) Review of Group Discussion I
- (2) Preparation for Field Study

Meeting 4 (January 31, 2021)

- (1) Review of Group Discussion II
- (2) Preparation for Presentation of Discussion Results

Meeting 5 (February 7, 2021)

- (1) Review of Group Discussion III
- (2) Preparation for Presentation of Discussion Results



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[List of Facilitators of Next Generation Leaders Conference]

Discussion Group	Name	Gender	Country
Policy	Martin Polaine	M	United Kingdom
Diplomacy	Fukasaku Koki J.	M	Japan
Education	Somkiat Kamolpun	M	Thailand
Global Company	Feby Budi Dayono	M	Indonesia
Entrepreneurship	Panagiotis Mamouzakis	M	Greece
ICT	Samantha P. Javier	F	Philippines
NGO/NPO	Khairuddin Bin Othman	M	Malaysia
Environment and Disaster Risk Reduction	Nguon Pheakkdey	M	Cambodia
Infrastructure	Pannaritsara Chuenjitrabhiramon	F	Thailand

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