

# Japan-Australia University Dialogue 2019

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## Programme

### WEDNESDAY 9 OCTOBER 2019

**Location :** Meeting Room 1-3, 2nd floor, Co-Creative Innovation Building, Osaka University

**Master of Ceremonies :** Prof. Caroline F. Benton, Vice President and Executive Director for Global Affairs, University of Tsukuba

**Language :** English

14:00 – 14:30	<b>Registration</b>
14:30 – 14:50	<b>Opening Remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Koetsu Yamazaki, Vice President of JANU, President of Kanazawa University</li> <li>• Prof. Adam Shoemaker, Vice-Chancellor, Southern Cross University</li> <li>• Mr. Satonobu Matsunaga, Leader, International Strategy Team, Higher Education Bureau, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology</li> <li>• The Hon. Richard Court AC, Australia's Ambassador to Japan</li> </ul>
14:50 – 15:30	<b>Keynote Presentations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Shojiro Nishio, President of Osaka University</li> <li>• Prof. Caroline McMillen, Chief Scientist for South Australia, Government of South Australia</li> </ul>
15:30 – 16:55	<b>Case Studies of University-Industry Collaboration</b> <p><b><u>Collaboration from the university perspective</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prof. Yasunori Kanaho, Vice President and Executive Director for Collaborative Research, University of Tsukuba</li> <li>• Prof. Adam Shoemaker, Vice-Chancellor, Southern Cross University</li> <li>• Dr. Nobuyuki Ozaki, Senior Technology Advisor, Toshiba Infrastructure Systems and Solutions Corporation</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Collaboration from the industry perspective</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Yoshihisa Nakazawa, Project Professor, DOL, Osaka University/Hitachi Zosen Corporation</li> <li>• Dr. Ben Spincer, Executive Director, Deakin Research Innovations, Deakin University and Ms. Yuri Ichikawa, Senior Researcher, NTT</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Moderators</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prof. Caroline F. Benton, Vice President and Executive Director for Global Affairs, University of Tsukuba</li> <li>• Dr. Megan Fisher, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Industry and Engagement, La Trobe University</li> </ul>
16:55 – 17:05	<b>Break</b>
17:05 – 18:05	<b>Discussion</b> <p><b>Open discussion on university-industry collaboration</b></p> <p><b><u>Moderators</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prof. Caroline F. Benton, Vice President and Executive Director for Global Affairs, University of Tsukuba</li> <li>• Prof. Jenny Corbett, Rio Tinto Fellow for Foundation for Australia-Japan Studies</li> </ul>
18:05 – 18:15	<b>Closing Remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prof. Ryuichi Ida, President of Shiga University</li> <li>• Dr. Liz Eedle, Director, Research and Innovation, Universities Australia</li> </ul>
18:15 – 18:30	<b>Group Photo</b>
18:30	<b>Close</b>

### WEDNESDAY 9 OCTOBER 2019 – RECEPTION DINNER

**Location :** Restaurant “Minerva”, Osaka University

18:30 – 20:00	<b>Reception Dinner</b>
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### THURSDAY 10 OCTOBER 2019 – CAMPUS VISIT (Only for Australian Delegation)

**Location :** Techno Alliance Building, Osaka University

10:00 – 12:00	<b>Visit to the Techno Alliance Building , Osaka University</b>
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**University of Tsukuba**  
**Vice President and Executive Director for Global Affairs**

Prof. **Caroline F. Benton**

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Caroline Benton was appointed as Vice President of Global Affairs of the University of Tsukuba in 2013, after serving as chair of the university's MBA Program in International Business. Her research interests lie in knowledge management and global leadership ; her research projects include a 12-country study on the learning mechanism of global leadership competencies, a comparative study on global-mindedness in youth, and most recently a Japanese government-funded study on well-being and happiness in corporations.

In addition, she is Director General of the university's Global Commons, and serves on the Japanese Association of National Universities' International Exchange Committee, the International Olympic Committee's Education Commission, the Research Organization for Information and Systems' Education and Research Council, and the Nara Institute for Science and Technology Management Joint Council. She has been working with regional governments on various committees, including the Ibaraki Prefecture's Master Plan Committee, and Tsukuba City Overcoming Population Decline and Vitalizing Local Economy Committee.

**Kanazawa University  
President**

Dr. **Koetsu Yamazaki**

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Dr. Koetsu Yamazaki became the President of Kanazawa University in April 2014. Prior to this post, he served as the Professor of Mechanical Engineering, Dean of the College of Science and Engineering and Faculty of Engineering, and the Vice President for Research and International Affairs.

Dr. Yamazaki graduated in 1974 with a BS in Mechanical Engineering and received his Master of Engineering in 1976 from Kanazawa University. In 1983, he was awarded his Ph.D. in Engineering from Osaka University. His major research areas are in the strength of material, design engineering, and computational mechanics. His recent research interests are structural optimization (response surface approach, multi-objective design optimization), optimum design and bionic design.

He was appointed as the Vice President of the Japan Association of National Universities in June 2019, and the Chairperson of the Japan Committee of Universities for International Exchange the following month.

**Southern Cross University  
Vice-Chancellor (President)**

Prof. **Adam Shoemaker**

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Professor Adam Shoemaker is one of Australia's leading researchers in the area of Indigenous literature and culture. Prior to his appointment as Vice-Chancellor of Southern Cross University, he held senior leadership roles at a number of other Australian universities including Academic Provost at Griffith University, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Education) at Monash University and Dean of Arts at the Australian National University.

A former Commonwealth Scholar, Professor Shoemaker is the author or editor of nine books in the field of Indigenous literature and culture, and is also widely published in the areas of international and digital education, race relations and cultural studies. His achievements in community engagement include founding the Oxfam-Monash Partnership and co-founding the Monash-World Vision Alliance, both of which encompassed action research, in-country projects in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, student-focused internships and curriculum change.

Canadian by birth, Professor Shoemaker holds an Honours Bachelor of Arts from Queen's University and a PhD from the Australian National University. He served as Chair of the Brisbane Writers Festival in the mid-1990s and edited a landmark anthology of Australian writing and photography which was published in association with the Sydney 2000 Olympics. For many years he chaired the Advisory Board of Monash University Publishing and was on the Advisory Board of Campus Review. He is a former Director of Open Universities Australia, a trustee of the Brisbane Girls Grammar School and most recently was Deputy Chair of the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority.





**Higher Education Bureau, Ministry of Education,  
Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)  
Leader, International Strategy Team**

Mr. **Satonobu Matsunaga**

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Mr. Satonobu Matsunaga was appointed as the leader of the new International Strategy Team of MEXT, which aims to further promote the internationalization of Japanese higher education institutions and student exchange, in July 2019.

He graduated from the faculty of law, the University of Tokyo and entered the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture in 1994.

He has been mainly in charge of elementary, secondary and higher education fields. Also, he had served the Embassy of Japan in the UK as the councilor in charge of education from 2009 to 2012.



**Australian Embassy Tokyo  
Ambassador to Japan**

Hon. **Richard Court AC**

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Mr Court is a former Western Australian politician who has held a number of senior positions and directorships in private and public companies, including Resource Investment Strategy Consultants, the Anglican Diocesan trustees and the Olympic Team Appeal for Western Australia. Mr Court was elected to the Western Australia Legislative Assembly in 1982. He served as Premier and Treasurer of Western Australia from 1993 to 2001.

In 2008, His Majesty the Emperor of Japan conferred honours bestowing the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star for exceptional contributions to the expansion of Australia-Japan relations, strengthening economic ties between Australia and Japan and also to the exchange between Hyogo and Western Australia.

In 2003, Mr Court was appointed a Companion in the General Division of the Order of Australia for services to Western Australia and the community, particularly the Indigenous community, and in the areas of child health research, cultural heritage and economic development through negotiating major resource projects.

**Osaka University  
President**

Dr. **Shojiro Nishio**

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Received a Ph.D. in engineering from Kyoto University. Specializes in data engineering.

Prior to assuming his position of president of Osaka University in August 2015, served a number of positions at the university including the Founding Director of the Cybermedia Center, Dean of the Graduate School of Information Science and Technology, Executive Vice President, and Director of the Multimedia Data Engineering Laboratory in the Department of Multimedia Engineering at the Graduate School of Information Science and Technology.

Chairman of the Information Processing Society of Japan.

Awarded the Medal of Honor with Purple Ribbon from the Emperor of Japan in 2011 for his outstanding and important academic contributions. Named a person of cultural merit in 2016. Head of the Progressive Initiatives of Empowering Network for Diversity, established in 2018, by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology.

Appointed as Vice President of the Japan Association of National Universities in June 2019.

**Government of South Australia  
Chief Scientist for South Australia**

Prof. **Caroline McMillen**

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Professor Caroline McMillen is a distinguished medical and health researcher, holding national and international roles in research, industry engagement, innovation strategy and policy development.

Professor McMillen was Vice-Chancellor at the University of Newcastle for seven years.

During her tenure, she was instrumental in the economic transition of Newcastle through significant engagement with industry and the establishment of innovation hubs to drive collaboration between industry, researchers, startups and investors. In her role as Chief Scientist for South Australia, she is continuing to develop the intersection of research and industry, particularly in South Australia.

Professor McMillen previously has worked at the University of Adelaide as head of the Department of Physiology and the University of South Australia as Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice President : Research and Innovation.





## University of Tsukuba Vice President and Executive Director for Collaborative Research

Prof. **Yasunori Kanaho**

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- 2017-present Vice President and Executive director for Collaborative Research, University of Tsukuba
- 2016-2017 Executive Officer for Collaborative Research, University of Tsukuba
- 2012-2015 Provost, Graduate School of Comprehensive Human Sciences, University of Tsukuba
- 2005-present Director and Professor, Department Physiological Chemistry, University of Tsukuba
- 1999-2005 Department Director, Department of Pharmacology,  
The Tokyo Metropolitan Institute of Medical Science
- 1993-1999 Associate Professor, Department of Life Science, Tokyo Institute of Technology
- 1989-1993 Assistant Professor, Department of Biochemistry, Gifu University School of Medicine
- 1987-1988 Post doctoral Fellow, Department of Molecular Pharmacology,  
Institute of SmithKline & French
- 1985-1986 Post doctoral Fellow, Department of Pathology, University of Connecticut Health Center
- 1983-1985 Visiting Fellow, National Heart, Lung & Blood Institute, National Institutes of Health



## Southern Cross University Vice-Chancellor (President)

Prof. **Adam Shoemaker**

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## Toshiba Infrastructure Systems & Solutions Corporation Senior Technology Advisor

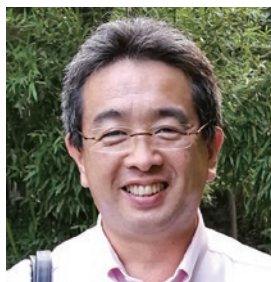
Dr. **Nobuyuki Ozaki**

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Dr. Ozaki graduated from the University of Tokyo in 1983 and has been working for Toshiba since then. He got his doctoral degree from the University of Tokyo in 1996 in Telepresence based on computer vision.

He has the responsibility for promoting technical activities and future direction in terms of Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS), or urban transport solutions. Recently he has been working with industry and academic partners in Australia for deploying new technology to an actual field and conducted proof of concept.

He is serving actively for several affiliated organizations related to ITS. At ITS JAPAN, a NPO that functions as the window between public and private sectors, he has two main roles: chairman of the international committee mainly holding conference for ITS World Congress every year by collaborating with Europe and America regions, chairman of the project oriented committee titled "ITS Committee for Shaping New Mobility & Energy Services". He is also one of the vice presidents looking after standards and industrial relations at IEEE Intelligent Transportation System Society.



## Osaka University / Hitachi Zosen Corporation Project Professor, DOL

Dr. **Yoshihisa Nakazawa**

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Dr. Yoshihisa Nakazawa has been a full-time employee at Osaka University since 2005 and served as the DOL of Hitz Collaborative Research Institute since 2012, he is also serving as a general manager of Hitachi Zosen Cooperation which continued since 1881. He has been working actively on university-industry collaboration called "Industry on Campus" and received an award of Japan Society for Research Policy and Innovation Management in 2018.

Dr. Yoshihisa Nakazawa employed at Hitachi Zosen Cooperation in 1986 and developed a series of Eucommia tea and Japan's first special health food suitable for people with high blood pressure. He was awarded his Ph.D. in agriculture from Kyusyu University in 1998. His major research areas are in Plant resource science, Bio economy and Biomass based polymer. Hitz Collaborative Research Institute Osaka University conducts works from basic research to commercial product development at the Suita Campus Osaka University.



## Deakin University Executive Director, Deakin Research Innovations

Dr. **Ben Spincer**

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Ben is currently the Executive Director of Deakin Research Innovations, responsible for the university's commercial research partnerships as well as the commercialisation and translation of the University's research.

Before to joining Deakin in 2015, Ben was the Director of Technology Strategy and Innovation at Telstra, working within the Chief Technology Office to oversee the long-term technology strategy of the company and to change the perception and culture of innovation at the national telco, Telstra. For six years prior to that Ben was the Director of Investor Relations for the Telstra, managing the relationship between the company and its shareholders after its full privatisation in 2007.

Before moving to Australia, Ben was a Vice President and financial analyst at Credit Suisse in London covering the European telecoms industry. He also has a PhD in Palaeontology from the University of Cambridge.



## NTT Corporation Manager

Ms. **Yuri Ichikawa**

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NTT R & D is committed to research and development of new technologies. It is also committed to working with all NTT Group operating companies and other members of the industry in a variety of fields to overcome issues such as productivity improvement, safety and disaster prevention, strengthen industrial competitiveness, and resolve social issues.

At NTT, Ms. Ichikawa is responsible for developing strategies and forming partnerships to develop R & D results into markets and to conduct R & D that meets market needs especially in medical and healthcare field.

Bachelor's degree in Foreign Studies (Portuguese), Sophia University, Tokyo (2002)

NTT Communications (2002-2008) Sales manager of Global Network Services

NTT America (2008-2009) Marketing manager of Global Cloud Services

NTT Communications (2009-2019) Business Planning of Global Network Services

NTT Corporation (2019-) Research and Development Planning Department R&D Produce group, Medical and Health Care ICT, Producer/Manager.



**University of Tsukuba**  
**Vice President and Executive Director for Global Affairs**  
Prof. **Caroline F. Benton**

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**La Trobe University**  
**Pro Vice-Chancellor (Industry Engagement)**  
Dr. **Megan Fisher**

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Megan Fisher, PhD, MBA

Megan Fisher is the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Industry Engagement) at La Trobe University.

Megan has over 20 years' experience in executive management and leadership positions in higher education and research-based organisations in the public and private sector, most recently as Director of Research, Innovation and Commercial Engagement at The University of Melbourne. She has held previous roles as Director of Business Development and Commercialisation within the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) and as Vice President of Research and Development for an ASX and NASDAQ listed Australian biotechnology company.

Megan has a PhD in Organic Chemistry and a Bachelor of Science (First Class Honours) from the University of Sydney, as well as qualifications in business and executive management. Megan has extensive experience in leading and advising on a broad range of commercial transactions, including establishing relationships with global venture capital, spin outs and licensing with local and global companies.



## **Foundation for Australia-Japan Studies (FAJS) Rio Tinto Fellow**

Prof. **Jenny Corbett**

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Professor Jenny Corbett is the inaugural Rio Tinto Australia-Japan Collaboration Program Professorial Fellow, hosted by the School of Engineering at the University of Tokyo.

Professor Corbett has been an academic and researcher of the Japanese economy for over 30 years at The Australian National University (ANU), University of Michigan and the University of Oxford. She has consulted for the Asian Development Bank, the OECD, the World Bank, the European Commission and the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia, on a range of macro-economic and financial issues relating to Japan and the Asian region. Jenny has held executive leadership positions at ANU including Distinguished Professor of Economics, Director of the ANU Japan Institute, Head of the Arndt-Corden Department of Economics, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Research and Research Training), Executive Director of the Australia-Japan Research Centre and Associate Dean (Research) in the College of Asia and the Pacific. She has also been a non-executive director in the not-for-profit sector. In 2014 Jenny was awarded the Order of the Rising Sun Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon for services to the Australia-Japan relationship.



## **Shiga University President**

Prof. **Ryuichi Ida (D.E.A)**

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President of Shiga University since April 2016 ; Graduated Faculty of Law, Kyoto University (1972) ; Professor of International Law and International Institutions (1986-2012) , Professor emeritus (2012 to present), Kyoto University ; Distinguished Invited Professor, Doshisha University (2012-2016) ; Vice-Director, International Institute for Advanced Studies. (2016-2018) ; Member then Chairperson, UNESCO International Bioethics Committee (1996-2003) ; Science Advisor, Ministry of Education (2001-2006) ; Member, Science Council of Japan (2005-2008) ; Member of various national committees relevant to bioethics ; President, Japanese Association for World Law (2011-2014) ; Contribution to drafting laws, guidelines, declarations and reports on different bioethical issues in Japan and in UNESCO and WHO ; Author and editor of numerous books and articles on bioethics and international law and international organisations in Japanese, French and English ; Decorated Chevalier dans l' Ordre des Palmes Académiques (France) (2001) .



## **Universities Australia Policy Director, Research and Innovation**

Dr. **Liz Eedle**

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Dr Liz Eedle joined Universities Australia as the Policy Director, Research and Innovation, in November 2016.

Prior to joining UA, Liz worked in Australian universities for over twenty years. Most recently she spent eight years in the Office of the Vice-Chancellor at the Australian National University, including five years as the Executive Officer (senior advisor) to the Vice-Chancellor. Liz has extensive experience in university governance, strategy and management, policy and planning, project management and government relations.



**University of New South Wales (UNSW Sydney)**  
**Senior Business Development Manager – Engineering and ICT**  
Mr. **Craig Peden**

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Mr Craig Peden is the Senior Business Development Manager – Engineering and ICT located within the Division of Enterprise for UNSW. Craig is a higher education industry specialist with a vast amount of experience in driving high value and mutually beneficial relationships between Academia and Industry. Craig brings a diversity of experience to his role that couples senior positions at world leading ICT companies Oracle and Microsoft along with over a decade of delivering value through academic partnerships with industry across various senior leadership roles in the Australian University sector. Craig specialises in brokering Academic Industry partnerships, IP commercialisation, Higher Education Market Entry and Market development activities and senior stakeholder engagements. Please contact Craig for all visit program requirements on +61 432 310 348 or [c.peden@unsw.edu.au](mailto:c.peden@unsw.edu.au)



**University of South Australia**  
**Dean of External Engagement and Executive Director**  
**of the Hawke EU Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence**  
Prof. **Anthony Elliott**

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ANTHONY ELLIOTT is Chancellery Dean of External Engagement and Executive Director of the Hawke EU Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence and Jean Monnet Network at the University of South Australia, where he is Research Professor of Sociology. He is Super-Global Professor of Sociology (Visiting) at Keio University, Japan and Visiting Professor of Sociology at UCD, Ireland. He is a Fellow of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia, a Senior Member of King's College Cambridge, and a Fellow of the Cambridge Commonwealth Trust.

Professor Elliott is a prominent social theorist, sociologist and public intellectual. He is the author and editor of over 40 books, which have been translated or are forthcoming in seventeen languages. His recent books include *Identity Troubles* (2016) and *The Culture of AI* (2019).

Professor Elliott leads an international research team (across Australia, Japan, Germany, the UK, Ireland, Denmark and Estonia) investigating AI and the digital revolution, with current funding from the Toyota Foundation, the European Commission, the Australian Research Council and the Australia Japan Foundation.



**Southern Cross University  
Director Special Projects**Prof. **Peter Wilson**

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Professor Peter Wilson became Director of Special Projects at Southern Cross University in Australia early in 2019. Prior to this Peter was Associate Dean Global Engagement at the University of Tasmania for five years. Between 2010 and 2014 Peter was Professor at the University of Tsukuba and helped to develop their G30 Program.

In 2005 Roskilde University in Denmark conferred a Doctor of Science degree in the field of biophysics. Earlier degrees in Physics, including a PhD in optics, were from the University of Otago in New Zealand. Major research themes have included ice physics and ice binding proteins.

**Southern Cross University  
Manager International Student Mobility**Ms. **Christine Martin**

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Christine's career in International Education spans over 20 years in ELICOS, Vocational and Higher Education institutions around Australia. Christine returned to the local region in 2004 to join Southern Cross University's School of Tourism focused on International and Industry connection. For the last 10 years she has worked within the leadership of SCU International Team in several key roles. She is passionate about providing all students with the opportunity to access an international study experience as part of their education.

## Iwate University

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Located in the prefectural capital Morioka, Iwate University is known for being the alma mater of the famous author and poet, Kenji Miyazawa. The university's main missions are : Disaster Recovery-Vitalization of Local Areas, Development of Global Human Resources, and Fostering Innovation. To this effect, Iwate University has become known as a leader for recovery of areas affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake in 2011. Thus, it is a "locally-oriented university," contributing to a sustainable local community.

Iwate University was founded in 1949 with the Faculties of Liberal Arts, Engineering, and Agriculture, and continues to grow to this day. This year, Iwate University celebrates the 70th anniversary of its founding.

As of now, the university offers four undergraduate programs in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Education, Science and Engineering, and Agriculture, and five graduate programs in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Education, Engineering, Veterinary Sciences and the United Graduate School of Agricultural Sciences. The Graduate School of Arts and Sciences have four divisions in Interdisciplinary Cultural Studies, Regional Development and Creativity, Science and Engineering, and Agriculture.

In addition, we have many interdisciplinary departments and affiliated institutions to support our academic activities, such as the Center for Teaching, Learning, and Career Development (Global Education Center) ; Super-Computing and Information Sciences Center ; and Health Administration Center.

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## Tokyo Institute of Technology

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Founded 138 years ago, Tokyo Institute of Technology (Tokyo Tech) continues to develop global leaders in the fields of science and technology and contribute to the betterment of society through its research, focusing on solutions to global issues. In March 2018, Tokyo Tech was selected for Designated National University Corporation status by the Japanese government.

The Institute's three campuses are home to about 10,000 students and 1,600 faculty members. Student enrollment is almost equally divided between undergraduates and graduate students, and the university is host to a growing number of international students, who comprise approximately 16% of the total student body.

Tokyo Tech has been implementing ambitious reforms in its education and research systems with the aim of providing a world-class environment for learning and innovation. In 2016, Tokyo Tech became the first university in Japan whose schools offer undergraduate and graduate programs under the same roof, creating more opportunities for cross-disciplinary research and earlier involvement in graduate-level study.

Research laboratories at Tokyo Tech are organized under the Institute of Innovative Research. This open research environment is intended to foster active and organic cooperation within and beyond the university, thereby creating novel research fields, offering solutions to complex problems, and fostering future industrial infrastructures. Research at the IIR builds on Tokyo Tech's internationally recognized contributions in key areas, including materials science, supercomputing, and life sciences.

Tokyo Tech currently has formal cooperation agreements with 3 Australian universities.

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## Tokyo University of Foreign Studies

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As one of the oldest institutions of higher education in Japan, the ancestor of Tokyo University of Foreign Studies (TUFS), Tokyo Gaikokugo Gakko (Tokyo School of Foreign Languages), was founded in 1873. In 1949, TUFS was established as a university organized under a new postwar educational system. Initially, it had only one undergraduate program with twelve departments, and it gradually increased its departments' number and other organizational units. In 2012, the undergraduate program was reorganized into two schools: the School of Language and Culture Studies and the School of International and Area Studies. Today, TUFS has a Graduate School of Area and Culture Studies, which offers a master's program and a doctoral program, two affiliated organizations: the Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa, and the Japanese Language Center for International Students. In addition, the School of Japan Studies was newly established and a "Joint Doctoral Program for Sustainability Research" cooperating together with two neighbor universities has been launched this April 2019.

The mission of TUFS, where 75 languages are currently taught, is to foster multi-lingual and globally-minded students who will play a leading role in the globalized world. At TUFS, internationality, interdisciplinarity, and interculturality are the foundations of research and education. The research and education opportunities offered at TUFS are focusing on both language acquisition and foreign studies that involve in-depth studies about various regions, including their culture and history.

Based on more than 100 years' history, TUFS continues to play an important role as one of the hubs of international academic research and exchange in Japan in the 21st century. TUFS as a frontier of Japan's globalization nurtures students with the necessary knowledge and skills to engage in international activities, and the perspective of viewing the world through Japan, and reexamining Japan from international perspectives.

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## The University of Electro-Communications (UEC)

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The University of Electro-Communications (UEC) is one of the national universities in Japan specializing in the study of science and engineering. UEC is located in the heart of Chofu-city, Tokyo, and provides attractive learning facilities that integrate cutting-edge research and innovative education.

With the development of advanced information and sharp economic growth and expansion, UEC engages in a wide range of education and research corresponding to the fundamental and technological aspects of science and engineering fields, such as physical engineering, material science, life science, optical science, electronics, robotics, mechanical engineering, and media. As a result of society's needs, UEC graduates have had significantly promised career paths, and the employment rates of graduates have remained nearly 100 percent in recent years.

UEC has a diverse student body of 5,000 students who come from nationwide. As for international exchange, approximately 300 inbound international students from more than 30 countries are enrolled in a variety of programs. UEC offers an interdisciplinary short-term exchange study program called the Japanese University Studies in Science & Technology (JUSST). It is implemented for international students from overseas partner universities and is specially designed for senior undergraduate and graduate students in the fields of informatics, science, and engineering. The JUSST program can provide an opportunity to learn science and engineering at UEC without interrupting students' ongoing major studies at their home institutions.

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## University of Tsukuba

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Founded in 1973 as a comprehensive university covering diverse fields from the natural sciences, humanities and social sciences, sports science and the arts, the University of Tsukuba's roots extend back to 1872 as modern Japan's first institution of higher education. We are a leading research-intensive university that was founded on the principles of "being open to the global society" and "pursuing trans-disciplinary research and education," and are the anchor institution of Japan's premier science city.

### Educational and Research Activities

As a leading national research-intensive university at the heart of Tsukuba Science City, the University of Tsukuba is spearheading transborder collaboration across all institutional and national barriers. We aim to promote transdisciplinary research and education to realize breakthrough knowledge and solutions to the global challenges we face today.

### International Activities

- The University of Tsukuba has 386 partner institutions and over 3,000 international students (17% of student population) from 117 countries and regions.
- Over 60 degree-seeking programs taught in English
- 12 overseas offices in 12 countries and regions
- Study in Japan Global Network Project that is focused on Russia and CIS Countries (in partnership with Hokkaido University and Niigata University)

### Industry-academia Collaboration

The University of Tsukuba is one of the most active universities in industry-academia collaboration. We have set up bases for forward-looking international startups and partnerships. This year we established centers for international industry-academia collaboration in Boston and Silicon Valley, and hosted the "University of Tsukuba Night" at Cambridge Innovation Center (CIC) in Boston.

Our highlights are:

- Expansion of joint research with the private sector  
1.72 billion yen in joint research funding in FY2018, a three-fold increase from FY2014 ;
- Rapid increase in university venture start-ups/spin-offs. Established 144 venture start-ups in FY2018 ;
- Cooperation with Tsukuba Science City  
Implemented the "Project for University-Industry Cooperation Strengthening in Tsukuba" from FY2014 to support joint research with R&D corporations in Tsukuba ;
- Promotion of regional cooperation  
Launched the "Industry-University Collaboration Platform" in FY2016, a framework that allows corporations to search the research seeds of Japanese universities.

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## Chiba University

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### \* Brief Introduction

Chiba University was founded as a national university in Japan in 1949 when Chiba Normal School, established in 1874, merged with Chiba Medical College and Several other educational institutions. There are 4 campuses located close to Tokyo metropolitan area. We have been taking great effort to provide the best curriculums and environment, as well as conducting world level research in upgrading the university status. Currently composed of 10 undergraduate schools and 13 graduate schools, we are one of the Japanese largest universities. The number of our partner institution are about 500 in 49 countries.

### \* Education

Based on the University Charter, "Always Aim Higher", our university will foster human resources with the knowledge of liberal arts, specialized subjects, professional skills, and the ability of solving problems. We are constantly developing education and research programs, expanding various international activities all over the world, aiming to become a world class university.

### \* Research

We have various types of the research. Especially in 2016, we established the Institute for Global Prominent Research with the ambitious goal of becoming a global hub for top-class research in fields as far-reaching as neutrino astronomy, the science of plant-based medicine, etc. It was set up to nurture key research projects being conducted at the university that are deemed to be of special significance.

### \* Cooperation with Australian Universities

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## Niigata University

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Niigata University (NU) has a long history and a rich tradition, with its predecessor organizations dating back about 150 years. Since its founding, the university has played a vital role as a center of higher education and advanced research in Japan, aiming to contribute to world peace and development, blessed with an abundance of nature offering the ideal environment for students and researchers. With a student body of approximately 12,000 students and 3,000 academic and administrative members, today, NU has developed into a large-scale, comprehensive university with two campuses, a university hospital and several research institutes including the Brain Research Institute and the Research Institute for Natural Hazards and Disaster Recovery. Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral degree programs at NU cover a wide range of academic fields: humanities, education, law, economics, science, medicine, health sciences, dentistry, engineering and agriculture.

NU actively promotes independent and creative studies for our students while also striving to be an international base for higher education and advanced research by promoting collaborative research and education with overseas universities and institutions. Taking advantage of the geographical features of the university, which is located in Niigata City facing the Sea of Japan, the university has been working on building and strengthening international networks in East Asian region while looking out towards the world. Besides East Asian region, we have been forming global partnerships and in the field of solar thermal energy, NU has collaborated with one of the top research institutes in Australia.

NU will continue striving to be a world-leading university through collaboration with overseas institutions.

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## University of Toyama

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Toyama Prefecture is blessed with an abundant natural environment which is supported by its rich water resources from the Northern Alps that flow gently into Toyama Bay. Furthermore, Toyama has a long history and traditions of educational consciousness which began with the literature of the Manyo period. This history, as well as the various industrial activities that developed based on its renowned pharmaceutical and traditional industry which began in the Edo Period, has helped develop Toyama's unique culture. The Hokuriku Shinkansen bullet train service has begun operating and open communication with foreign countries such as China, Korea, Taiwan, and Russia is increasing annually. Toyama has also naturally been the center of attention domestically for its abovementioned history of medicine, industry, craftsmanship, and high standards of education.

In October 2005, the former University of Toyama, Toyama Medical and Pharmaceutical University and Takaoka National College were integrated to form the present University of Toyama. The university is now an academic and research center consisting of nine faculties: Humanities, Human Development, Economics, Science, Medicine, Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Engineering, Art and Design, Sustainable Design, the Institute of Natural Medicine, and the university hospital. The University strongly believes in the integration of intellectual resources from across the globe. Under the theme of 'Integrating knowledge of the East and West', the University of Toyama has been pursuing academic excellence through the exchange of ideas with various countries in both East Asia and the rest of the world. Our Museum of Materia Medica which houses a collection of traditional natural and herbal medicines from throughout the world, and the Lafcadio Hearn Library, which houses a collection of books owned by this renowned western scholar of Japan, are two examples of our 'Integrating knowledge of the East and West'.

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## Kanazawa University

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Kanazawa University originated in 1862 as a smallpox vaccination center, and became a university in 1949. It aims to be "a research university dedicated to education, while opening up its doors to both local and global society," and strives to contribute to 1) opening up a new 21st century era, and 2) promoting world peace and the continuous development of mankind.

The university offers highly versatile undergraduate program through 17 Schools. Also, there are 7 graduate schools and 1 united graduate school. The university also takes pride in the most advanced research as one of the leaders in the globalization of Japanese universities. In 2014, MEXT selected Kanazawa University for the 'Top Global University Project.' In 2016, we opted to be among the "Excellent Global Universities" category financed by the Japanese government. In 2017, we were selected for the "World Premier International Research Center Initiative (WPI)" by MEXT. As of August 2019, Kanazawa University has over 190 institutional-level and 70 departmental-level partners, of which 7 are in Australia. It actively exchanges students and researchers with partner universities, including double-degree and twinning programs and graduate programs especially modeled for government-sponsored students from Indonesia and Vietnam. The university strongly promotes student exchanges with partners in Russia, China, Thailand, etc. Research collaborations include the environmental measurement in the Angkor ruins, cultural resource studies of the Mayan civilization, research on chronic health conditions caused by dioxin exposure in Vietnam, and more.

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## Nagoya University

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Founded in 1871 as a medical school and chosen to be a national university in 1947, Nagoya University is today one of Japan's leading institutions for high-level research.

It is a comprehensive university that includes 13 graduate schools, 9 undergraduate schools, 3 research institutes and 18 research centers.

In fiscal year 2018, Nagoya University had 9,628 undergraduate students, 6,168 graduate students, including 2,641 international students.

The university's greatest strength is its capacity for top-level research that stands out globally ; six out of 16 Japanese Nobel laureates after 2000 are current or former Nagoya University faculty. Nagoya University is a research-intensive university whose achievements are recognized worldwide.

In recognition of its potential to engage in world-leading education and research activities, Nagoya University was selected as a Designated National University by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology in 2018. We therefore are expected to play a leading role in the reform of national Japanese universities, and will continue to make efforts to internationalize alongside other universities and Japanese society. In particular, Nagoya University cooperates closely with regional institutions as an "Asian hub university".

As for the collaboration between Australian universities and Nagoya University, Nagoya University maintains 8 Inter-university agreements with Australian universities. In fiscal year 2018, the number of students studying in Australia from Nagoya University is 77, which is the second largest of all students going abroad. Active research collaboration with these students has occurred in a wide range of areas.

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## Shiga University

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Shiga University was established as a national university in 1949, through the consolidation of Hikone Commercial College and Shiga Normal School. The University Headquarters, Faculty of Economics, Faculty of Data Science, Graduate School of Economics as well as newly-established Graduate School of Data Science, are all located in Hikone City, while Faculty of Education and Graduate School of Education are located in Otsu City. The Faculty of Data Science (founded in 2017) and Graduate School of Data Science (founded in 2019), are the newest addition to the university, giving the university new aspect of "integration of Sciences and Humanities."

With a student body of approximately 4,000 students, Shiga University is a relatively small academic institution. However, this small stature means that strong bonds are fostered both among students, and between the student body and university staff. Furthermore, with enhanced library, IT, and sporting facilities, it is possible for students to study by themselves, with friends, and with faculty members. At Shiga University, both students and university staff strive to form a community in which they can enjoy their life on campus.

The goal of Shiga University is to "nurture the development of highly-specialized, sophisticated professionals, who, while possessing a global perspective, also possess a sense of humanity." At the university, we have traditionally placed emphasis on practical education; resulting in many of our alumni holding leading positions in both the business and education fields. As we enter the 21st Century, an era of heightened trans-border human exchange, to contribute to human development on a global scale, Shiga University is dedicated more than ever to providing students with study opportunities, thus contributing to global peace and human prosperity.

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## Kyoto University

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Since its foundation in 1897, Kyoto University has maintained a strong tradition of academic freedom, playing a major role in cultivating leaders in diverse sectors of society and creating knowledge through cutting-edge research. The university is located in Kyoto, a historic city that is commonly regarded as the cultural heart of Japan, and which is known for its diversity and innovation. The university comprises ten faculties, eighteen graduate schools, thirteen research institutes, fourteen research and education centers, and six intra-university networks and organizations. It has sixty-two overseas facilities including three overseas offices dedicated to enhancing university-wide global engagement: the ASEAN Center (Bangkok, Thailand), European Center (Heidelberg, Germany), and North American Center (Washington, DC, US).

As a research-oriented institution, Kyoto University is dedicated to promoting advanced creative research in diverse disciplines as part of its mission to contribute to the global community. The sustained quality of the university's research is reflected in the accolades conferred on its faculty and alumni, which include ten Nobel laureates, two Fields Medalists, a Gauss Prize-winner, and the recipients of many other prestigious international awards.

Contribution to harmonious coexistence within the global community forms the core of the university's mission, and the university connects to the world through vibrant networks founded on multicultural understanding. To further develop research and education collaboration with academic and industrial partners overseas, the university launched its On-site Laboratory Initiative as part of its efforts under the Japanese government's Designated National University program. To date, the initiative has established (or approved the establishment of) eleven laboratories in seven different countries.

Kyoto University has concluded agreements for academic cooperation and student exchange with ten leading institutions in Australia, which facilitate diverse forms of active collaboration. The university is seeking to further develop its cooperative engagements with different sectors of Australian society.

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## Kyoto Institute of Technology

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One hundred years has passed since Kyoto Institute of Technology (KIT) was first established as Kyoto College of Technology and Kyoto College of Textile Fibers. Located in Kyoto, Japan's former capital which remains a bastion of traditional culture, KIT has established a unique academic environment combining wisdom, a highly developed aesthetic sense and technology.

KIT has a single undergraduate school feeding into the Graduate School of Science and Technology, which is divided into the five major academic fields; Applied Biology, Materials Science, Engineering Design, Design and Fibro- Science and Engineering. Although small in scale, its education and research are unique in pursuing "practical science," creating products ranging widely from cutting-edge science and technology, such as biotechnology, material science, information, mechanics and environmental science, to formative arts and design.

As one of the adopted universities of "Top Global University Project" in Japan, KIT is promoting and expanding international student and researcher exchange, and globalizing the campus since 2014. In addition, KIT established strategic globalization centers in the following three fields; KYOTO Design Lab, Macromolecular and Fibrous Materials, and Green Innovation to become an Asian hub of international research networks and a top university in Asia by 2024. Thanks to this project, world renowned researchers are on campus, which gives a great opportunity for our students to come in contact with the state-of-the-art research.

These initiatives will surely let KIT become a center of international and domestic research on engineering, a center of industry, and a gathering place for top researchers in education.

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## Osaka University

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Osaka University was founded in 1931 as one of the seven imperial universities of Japan and has now expanded to one of Japan's leading comprehensive universities. The university houses more than 23,000 students and more than 6,000 faculty and staff members. Osaka University was named Japan's most innovative university and is included among the most innovative institutions in the world according to the Nature Index 2017 Innovation publication. The university's ability to innovate stems from its broad disciplinary spectrum and strong industry-university collaboration, as well as its engagement with, and contributions to, society. The University will continue to explore new research fields, develop greater innovation from the fundamental research stages, and make even greater efforts to pioneer interdisciplinary research projects.

With the motto "Live Locally, Grow Globally," Osaka University has adopted a vision of openness for 2021. To this end, we strive to make our education, research and community more open and inviting, and ensure that our three campuses are places where outstanding students and researchers from around the world can gather, learn, discover, and collaborate. Since the integration with the Osaka University of Foreign Studies in 2007, Osaka University has enhanced its capacity in the studies of language and culture, and we are intensifying efforts to enhance degree programs conducted in English and the Japanese language support for international students and faculty. In recent years, the university has also actively expanded its global outreach by setting up Overseas Centers in Berkeley, Groningen, Bangkok and Shanghai.

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## Kobe University

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The origins of Kobe University can be traced back to the establishment of Kobe Higher Commercial School in 1902. It is now one of the most eminent universities in Japan with 10 faculties, 15 graduate schools, and a great number of research centres and institutions. We aim to pioneer new academic frontiers by promoting inter-institutional collaboration and advanced research that transcends the boundaries between academic fields.

As one of Japan's most comprehensive universities, Kobe promotes innovative interdisciplinary research and education in collaboration with other universities, research institutes, and industries in Japan and abroad. It is home to a wide range of departments covering the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and biomedical sciences.

The Faculty of Global Human Sciences was established in 2017. Their mission is to produce collaborative, globally-minded individuals who are capable of tackling societal issues and challenges.

Through promoting these international research projects and education programs, Kobe University is becoming a global hub campus where talents gather and are dispatched around the world.

Kobe University has a long tradition of collaboration with Australia, and has concluded 5 inter-university agreements and 5 inter-faculty/graduate school agreements with Australian institutions as of May 1, 2019. Through these partnerships, Kobe University promotes academic and research collaboration with Australian institutions across an extensive range of academic fields. Furthermore, Hyogo Prefecture and Western Australia have been sister states since 1981. As a result of this partnership, Kobe University has an internship program at the Hyogo Prefectural Government Cultural Centre in Perth.

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## Nara Institute of Science and Technology

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Nara Institute of Science and Technology (NAIST) is a leading Japanese national university focused on advanced research and education in information, biological, and materials sciences, and the interdisciplinary developments at the forefronts of these fields. Concentrating solely on graduate school education, NAIST continues to gain worldwide recognition for its pioneering approaches to education and research. The faculty's efforts have led to high levels of governmental (Top Global University Project (MEXT), Program for Promoting the Improvement of Research Universities (MEXT), etc.) and private funding, and revenue for research support. Since its foundation in 1991, NAIST achieved impressive results and has been highly recognized in research, education and community engagement, and in 2018, NAIST underwent a structural transformation merging the graduate schools to create the Graduate School of Science and Technology. This single-graduate school structure allows NAIST to actively pursue the frontiers of science and flexibly respond to the ever-changing needs of society.

NAIST is conveniently located near the commercial and cultural centers of Nara, Kyoto, and Osaka, and is a part of Kansai Science City, a hub of industrial, government, and academic research centers. With one third of its students traveling abroad for research and education and 22% of the student population from overseas (34 countries/regions), NAIST is actively developing its global education and research network. (107 partner institutions globally) International students are exposed to Japan and its culture while pursuing degrees in English, and Japanese students are able to experience a globally-focused, multi-cultural environment while achieving their educational goals.

With the strong support of NAIST's world-leading faculty members, NAIST students develop into qualified and highly specialized researchers and engineers who will make significant contributions to humanity in the 21st century.

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## Wakayama University

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Wakayama University is the only national university in Wakayama Prefecture and it consists of four Faculties: the Faculty of Education, the Faculty of Economics, the Faculty of Systems Engineering, and the Faculty of Tourism. Standing by our slogan, "Wakayama University wants to support you throughout your life," Wakayama University offers education and assistance with the view to developing human resources who, as members of society exploring the future on their own, have a rich sense of humanity and the qualities to promote internationalization and are capable of adequately meeting the needs of society. We also place strong emphasis on our connection to the community and space research and education, working on a variety of initiatives and facilities development.

Wakayama City, the home of Wakayama University, is a city with a population of approximately 400,000 people that sits in a location about one hour away from Osaka City and about 30 minutes away from the Kansai International Airport. Situated in the northern part of Wakayama Prefecture, it is close to Osaka, Kyoto, and Nara and, with the "Sacred Sites and Pilgrimage Routes in the Kii Mountain Range," a UNESCO World Heritage Site, in the southern part of the prefecture, it is embraced by rich natural and cultural surroundings as well. Wakayama is also blessed with a mild, comfortable climate with minor variations in temperature, and offers students a tranquil environment that is perfect for studying. In addition, it is a city of tradition blessed with a number of places of scenic and historical interest, including Wakanoura, which featured in the "Manyoshu" poetry anthology, and Wakayama Castle.

In particular, Wakayama University has strongly connected with Curtin, Deakin and Federation Universities in Western Australia and Victoria by students and academic exchange and Victoria State by collaborative research.

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## Okayama University

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Okayama University is a top-class national university with over 140 years of history and is located in western Japan. The university developed as a comprehensive university and has 11 faculties, 8 graduate schools and 3 research institutes and a university hospital. Now, the university covers wide range of research fields such as plant science, planetary science, advanced medical science and interdisciplinary research.

Okayama University is the premier hub for global researchers interested in the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We connect researchers and institutions around the world and serve as a local-to-global pipeline for knowledge sharing and sustainable development.

Our founding philosophy is expressed as "Creating and fostering higher knowledge and wisdom." That is, to promote stable, sustainable advancement of human society, we must always build new knowledge bases. Okayama University would like to give birth to advanced knowledge through educational, research and philanthropic activities, pass along precise knowledge to subsequent generations and contribute to the development of human society.

We are also actively involved in social implementation of university research results.

In June 2019, we established the Open Innovation Platform for accelerating large-scale academia-industry collaboration towards innovation. We will build the structure for the joint research between academia and private entities.

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## Hiroshima University

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By combining the pre-war educational institutions originating in Hiroshima, including Hakushima School founded in 1874, Hiroshima University was reorganized into its present form under the National School Establishment Law in 1949. Based on its founding principle, "a single unified university, free and pursuing peace," Hiroshima University aims "to cultivate peace-pursuing, cultured individuals with an international mindset and a challenging spirit." Now the university has 12 faculties and 11 graduate schools, and enrollment of around 15,000 students.

Recently, Hiroshima University has been selected as one of the institutions designated under MEXT's "The Program for Promoting the Enhancement of Research Universities." In addition, it has also been selected as one of the 13 Type A (Top Type) universities under the FY2014 Top Global University Project, providing world-class research and education. We are committed to actively promote reforms in education and research toward the globalization of the university.

- As of 1st April 2019, 732 exchange agreements with overseas institutions (9 Australian institutions).

- As of 1st May 2019, 1,899 international students from 72 countries or regions are studying at the university.

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## Tokushima University

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Tokushima University was established as a national university in 1949 and celebrates its 70th anniversary in 2019. We aim to further strengthen our education, research and social contribution in order to make more advances as a university that solves global issues. We are open to the whole world, and we are doing our best to create a rich and peaceful society for the future.

At Tokushima University, we provide a high level of education and research. In particular, in the fields of life sciences and engineering, we are conducting world-class education and research into various areas relating to disease, plants, robotics, and information technologies. We are developing various measures to promote global prosperity, stability and safety.

The graduate schools comprise seven educational schools (Integrated Arts and Sciences, Medical Sciences, Oral Sciences, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Nutrition and Bioscience, Health Sciences, and Advanced Technology and Science) and two research schools (Graduate School of Technology, Industrial and Social Sciences, and Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences). The undergraduate programs are provided by the six faculties (Integrated Arts and Sciences, Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Science and Technology, and Bioscience and Bioindustry). In addition, the university includes the Institute of Advanced Medical Sciences which leads the world in the area of advanced biological research, the Institute of Post-LED Photonics which conducts leading research to bring about innovation to save the world with light, and the Industry-University R&D Startup Leading Institute which systematically produces startups.

In order to coordinate education and research across the whole university, we have established organizations to foster collaboration; these are known as the Research Cluster and the Education Cluster. As a means of acquiring external funding, Tokushima University has been developing crowdfunding and crowdsourcing to foster the seeds of innovation.

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## Kyushu University

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Founded in 1911, Kyushu University is a leading research-oriented institute of higher education in Fukuoka, Japan. With enrollment of 20,000 students, it is comprised of 12 undergraduate schools, 18 graduate schools, 17 faculties, five research institutes, and University hospital, as well as over 50 affiliated research centers. The international student population is about 2300, representing over 100 countries. The University is held in high regard particularly for its innovative research on organic materials and devices as well as new energy technologies, including hydrogen energy, clean coal technologies, nuclear fusion, and wind turbine technology. Kyushu University is one of the 13 venues for “Top Global University Project” funded by the Japanese government. As one of the activities of Kyushu University’s Top Global University Project, Kyushu University hosted *the Japan-Australia University Symposium 2015, ‘Towards Successful Partnerships: Learning from Experiences’* in Sydney in November 2015, which provided an opportunity for attendees to reaffirm the importance of Japan-Australia university partnerships. Kyushu University has a partnership with ANU, UQ, UTS, UNSW, and La Trobe. Kyushu University’s Institute of Mathematics for Industry (IMI) has its Australia Branch, which was established in La Trobe University in March 2015. The UQ-KU Oceania Project has been run since 2015, providing an avenue for academic exchange and education opportunities. In June 2019, 15 UQ students visited Kyushu with New Colombo Plan Mobility Project Grant. Also 20 engineering and 10 economics students from KU visited UQ from Aug to Sep 2019. Our Faculty of Agriculture has also accepted students with New Colombo Plan Mobility Project Grant from UNSW.

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## Kagoshima University

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Kagoshima University (KU) is located in the southern part of Japan, in an environmentally rich and diverse area, which includes active volcanos, the sea, and many islands. In addition, Kagoshima is known to have introduced different overseas cultures to Japan more than 150 years ago and produced many young individuals who contributed to the establishment of modern Japan. KU originated from a feudal domain school set up in 1773. After merging with several schools and institutions, it was newly established as a national university in 1949. Currently, KU is a comprehensive university comprising 9 faculties, 9 graduate schools, and several education and research institutes with approximately 9,000 undergraduates, 1,600 graduate students, and 350 international students. In 2018, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Japan, accepted KU’s proposed program, “The U.S.-Kagoshima-Asia Triad Program in a Multi-Polar World”. This program aims to establish trilateral cooperation between seven U.S. universities, eight Asian universities, with KU as the organizing body. Furthermore, KU and University College London (UCL) settled on the Memorandum of Agreement for the UCL-INAMORI student program at UCL, which provides the platform to nurture similar student heroes in the same vein as the “Satsuma Nineteen” from the late 19th century. Regarding academic exchanges with Australian universities, KU has conducted student exchange programs with The University of New England and University of Technology Sydney since 1995 and 2000, respectively, and is accepting a total of two to three students every year. KU is promoting a leading role in building an open and inclusive community in Kagoshima. In addition, we are contributing to the development and dynamism of the regional community through promotion of industries in the southern Kyushu area, enrichment of medical care and welfare, conservation of the surrounding environment, advancement of education and culture and many other endeavors.

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## Deakin University

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Deakin has five campuses, one in Melbourne's eastern suburbs, two in the port city of Geelong and one in Warrnambool on Victoria's south-west coast. Deakin's head office is at the Geelong Waterfront Campus. The fastest growing campus is in the Cloud where over 15,000 students study predominantly online. With 61,000 students, Deakin is one of Australia's largest universities and all students, regardless of their campus or mode of study, benefit from Deakin's award-winning digital environment.

Deakin's four faculties offer a comprehensive range of courses across the arts, science, sport, nutrition, architecture, business, law, medicine, optometry, engineering, nursing, psychology and teaching. Deakin has an inclusive and student-focussed culture and a reputation for using innovative digital solutions to provide an engaging and personalised learning experience for all its students. Deakin is committed to lifelong learning and to providing students with choices about how, when and where learning occurs. Deakin prides itself on developing career-ready graduates who are innovative, resilient, and well prepared for rapidly changing workforce needs. Deakin has a strong focus on teaching, with student satisfaction and the employability of its students as key indicators of success.

Deakin has a strong international focus and reputation, with 14,000 international students choosing to study at Deakin. The University has international offices in South Asia, China, Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Latin America. Our 230,000 alumni live and work across the globe and their success is the best measure of Deakin's success.

Deakin is on a strong research trajectory ranking 211 in the Academic Ranking of World Universities (10th of Australia's 39 universities). Research at Deakin focusses on innovation and robust partnerships with industry and business and it is building a formidable international reputation in areas of emerging national social, economic and political priority. Deakin's manufacturing innovation precinct provides an important link between technological innovation and successful industry outcomes, strengthening and streamlining pathways for commercial research.

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## La Trobe University

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For more than 50 years, La Trobe University has been transforming people and societies. With a dual emphasis on excellence and inclusivity, we put our students at the centre of everything we do.

La Trobe is firmly entrenched in the top 400 of all three major world university rankings. In 2018, the respected Academic Ranking of World Universities placed us at 317 in the world, making La Trobe one of the fastest-rising universities over the last four years on this measure. The 2018 Times Higher Education ranking puts La Trobe at 341 in the world, while the 2018 QS ranking places us at 397 in the world.

La Trobe has been rated among the top ten universities in Australia, and the top three in Victoria, for the numbers of specific fields of research rated at 'well above world standard' in the 2015 Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) survey. We achieved top rating in three broad discipline groups: Agricultural, Biological, and Physical Sciences. La Trobe was rated the equal best university in Australia for Biological Sciences, best in Australia for Agricultural and Veterinary Studies, and was the only top-rated university in the country for Physiology.

The quality of our arts and humanities subjects is widely respected, with the Times Higher Education 2018 Rankings placing arts and humanities in the top 200. We also ranked in the 176-200 category for Life Sciences.

La Trobe is also one of the largest providers of university education in regional Victoria, with about 7,000 student enrolments at our campuses in Bendigo, Albury-Wodonga, Mildura and Shepparton. Most students stay and work in their communities following graduation.

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## University of Melbourne

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### Australia's number one university

The University of Melbourne is the leading centre of higher education and research in Australia. Founded in 1853, it's situated in the heart of one of the world's most liveable cities.

With a strong research performance, excellence in learning and teaching, and intellectual and social capital, the University is consistently positioned with the world's leading universities and currently ranked number one in Australia and number 32 in the world.

### Innovative curriculum

The University's globally competitive curriculum, the Melbourne Model, equips students with a breadth and depth of knowledge that sees 97 per cent of undergraduates and 98 per cent of postgraduates employed three to five years after graduating.

With fewer graduates staying in the same industry throughout their working lives, the Melbourne Model provides a distinctive curriculum to give students a wider understanding of the world beyond their degree. With a breadth and depth of knowledge, Melbourne students are prepared to build the skills to enable them to adapt and change as the professional landscape changes.

### Ground-breaking research

Our researchers are making new advances, discoveries and breakthroughs that are changing the world.

The University of Melbourne is one of Australia's biggest and most progressive research universities. Consistently ranked among the world's top 40, we bring together the best and brightest from around the globe to tackle today's most complex social, economic and environmental challenges. After more than 160 years of excellence, the University is at the forefront of international research in fields as diverse as human rights law, Indigenous linguistics, quantum sensing and medical genomics.

### Industry collaborations

The University of Melbourne partners with industry, other institutions and research organisations, the community, government and not-for-profit organisations to advance the commercialisation of ground-breaking innovations including

- Cochlear implant • Relenza® anti-viral flu drug
- Recaldent® for dental care • Rotavirus vaccine
- Colony Stimulating Factor - a white blood cell booster

### Inspiring arts and culture

The University of Melbourne boasts an impressive host of museums and galleries, exploring everything from contemporary art, classics and archaeology, medical and dental history, to music and the sciences.

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## University of New South Wales (UNSW Sydney)

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UNSW Sydney is a powerhouse of cutting-edge research, teaching and innovation.

We are one of the top 50 universities in the world, with more than 60,000 students and a 7,000-strong research community.

Located in Sydney, Australia's largest city, the University was established in 1949 with a unique focus on the scientific, technological and professional disciplines.

UNSW is committed to making a difference by focusing on areas critical to the future. Pioneering research and sustained innovation are addressing some of the most important issues of today – from climate change and renewable energies to lifesaving medical treatments and breakthrough technologies. In the social sciences, UNSW research informs policy and expert commentary in issues facing society, ranging from human rights and constitutional recognition of Indigenous Australians to public health and population ageing.

UNSW offers an extensive range of undergraduate, postgraduate and research programs. We are expanding our education and reaching more students from all backgrounds and communities around the world.

UNSW is a founding member of both the Group of Eight, a coalition of Australia's leading research intensive universities, and the prestigious Universitas 21 international network. We have partnerships with major universities across the world to amplify our expertise and help solve the world's biggest issues.

The main UNSW campus is located on a 38-hectare site at Kensington, seven kilometres from the centre of Sydney. Other major campuses are the Art & Design campus in the Sydney suburb of Paddington and UNSW Canberra at the Australian Defence Force Academy.

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## University of South Australia

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The University of South Australia (UniSA) is Australia's University of Enterprise on the global stage – agile and astute, known for relevance, equity and excellence. UniSA supports nearly 33,000 students, including more than 6,000 international students. UniSA is the largest university in South Australia. The university collaborates with more than 2,500 companies worldwide, facilitating valuable networking and work opportunities including placements, internships and projects for students. In the Times Higher Education 2020 World University rankings, UniSA is in the top 100 in the world, and ranked #1 in Australia, for its industry sourced research income. With 100% of assessed research rated at or above world-class [2018 Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA)], research at the University is innovative, inspired by real-world challenges, and connected to both industry and community needs. Research degrees are focused on producing new knowledge, providing solutions to global challenges and preparing candidates for competitive careers.

UniSA has had a long history of research and teaching interaction with Japan, ranging from language studies at Waseda University to engineering research links with the University of Tokyo's Graduate School of Engineering to collaborative social science research with Keio University's Graduate School of Human Relations. In 2014, UniSA established a Double Award PhD with Keio University, Japan. UniSA's success under the New Colombo Plan has also seen our undergraduate students exchange at Kansai Gakuin University, Tsukuba University, and Nagoya University.

UniSA has developed many industry partnerships in Japan, including with Mitsubishi Heavy Industries for research and innovation collaboration. UniSA's Australian National Fabrication Facility node has partnered with ULVAC, a global vacuum technology company and leader in advanced materials, deposition, etching, and integrated devices.

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## Southern Cross University

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Southern Cross University is a multi-campus university on Australia's east coast with a dynamic teaching and research profile. The University is proud of being young, flexible and innovative in the way it engages with local communities and creates change that has impact around the world. Ranked in the world's top 150 young universities\*, Southern Cross has three main campuses: the Gold Coast in Queensland, and in Lismore and Coffs Harbour in New South Wales.

The regions we call home all have unique characteristics as study locations – from cosmopolitan cities, thriving industries and coastal lifestyles to living laboratories of great natural beauty and ecological diversity – all just outside the classroom. Branch campuses in Sydney, Melbourne and Perth operate in collaboration with EduCo. The University also operates The Hotel School Sydney and Melbourne in partnership with Mulpha Australia. A large and diverse range of courses is available online with teaching technologies that offer interactive and immersive learning experiences.

Southern Cross offers a diverse range of undergraduate and postgraduate degrees in science and health disciplines, law, engineering, education, humanities, creative arts, tourism, business and information technology. Specialist degrees in Indigenous knowledge, marine science, osteopathy, midwifery and psychology as well as a suite of double degrees round out a rich academic portfolio.

The University has a strong focus on industry and community collaboration to produce engaged teaching and research outcomes. Work placements and developing practical, industry-specific skills are a feature of our degrees, as is hands-on learning in laboratories, on field trips or through real-world projects. More than 17,000 students study with Southern Cross.

With the opening of the National Centre for Flood Research in 2018, the University is now home to nine research centres, all with deep connections to the communities they serve and a commitment to research output with global relevance, be it marine ecology, organic agriculture, plant and geoscience or adolescent development. In the latest Excellence in Research for Australia report, Southern Cross achieved outstanding ratings of 'at world standard' or above in 24 research fields; of those, nine were at the highest possible classification 'well above world standard'.

\*Times Higher Education Young University Rankings 2019

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## 1, The Japan Association of National Universities (JANU)

国立大学協会  
The Japan Association of National Universities

Founded in 1950, the Japan Association of National Universities (JANU) is the organization consisting of all the 86 national universities as regular members and the 4 inter-university research institutes as special members. The objectives of JANU are to contribute to the promotion of national university corporations and the improvement of standards of higher education and academic research in our nation with well-balanced development, creating the circumstances to ensure outstanding achievements by national university corporations on various activities related to education, research and contribution to the society.

Activities of JANU;

- (1) Activities necessary for national universities to promote high-quality education, academic research, and social contribution
- (2) Studies and research necessary for universities' voluntary policy-making activities as well as for proposals concerning the national government's policies on higher education, academic research, etc.
- (3) International exchange programs based on international partnership
- (4) Support for the management and administration of national university corporations
- (5) Other activities necessary for achieving the objectives of JANU

## 2, Universities Australia (UA)



Universities Australia (UA) is the voice of Australia's universities. As the peak body for the sector, UA advocates for the vast social, economic and cultural value of higher education and research to Australia and the world.

On behalf of its 39 member universities, UA provides expert policy advice, analysis and statistical evidence, and media commentary on higher education. UA makes submissions, develops policy across the sector, represent Australia's universities on government and industry-appointed bodies and partners with university sectors in other countries to enable bilateral and global collaborations.

UA builds capacity across the Australian university sector through its flagship annual conferences and high-level policy workshops throughout the year. UA lifts the profile of the extraordinary contributions made by university graduates and research to society and the economy.

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