

The 3rd Japan-Mexico Rectors Summit
is to be held

With Presidents and Vice Presidents from Japanese/Mexican Universities participating, “The 3rd Japan-Mexico Rectors Summit” is held for two days (from 30th November to 1st December 2017) in the city of Hiroshima. Hiroshima University and The Mexican Agency of International Cooperation for Development (AMEXCID) are jointly hosting the event.

With the theme of “Collaboration for Innovation: Academy, Industry and Government working together,” the summit discusses topics such as Industry-Academia-Government collaboration or research collaboration, student exchanges, and at the same time aims to deepen exchanges between universities in Japan and Mexico. About 150 participants from 30 Japanese universities and 37 Mexican universities/organizations are expected to participate in the summit.

The first Japan-Mexico Rectors Summit was held in Tokyo in 2011 (H23), and the second in Guanajuato and Aguascalientes in Mexico, which contributed to developing close collaboration between the two countries.

As there are many Japanese companies including automobile-related manufacturers which have set up the bases in Mexico, such trend will serve to hopefully expand exchanges between universities in the two countries. I would like to ask the press to cover stories concerning the exchanges.

Time & Date:

9:30-17:45 Thursday, 30th November 2017

9:30-12:35 Friday, 1st December 2017

*To the press: please come to the reception desk beforehand if you would like to interview the attendees.

Venue: Rhiga Royal Hotel Hiroshima

Participants: Presidents from Japanese/Mexican Universities; relevant parties from Higher Education Organizations in Japan/Mexico

Sponsors: Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology - Japan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, Embassy of Mexico in Japan

Language: Japanese/Spanish (Simultaneous translation services provided) *Presentation materials and all the handouts distributed are in English.

Outline of the Program: *Please refer to the attachment for the actual opening time.

Thursday, 30th November 2017

■Opening Remarks

President of Hiroshima University, Executive Director of the Mexican Agency of International Cooperation for Development (AMEXCID)

The Governor of Hiroshima Prefecture, Embassy of Mexico in Japan, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology – Japan

Deputy Minister for Higher Education at the Ministry of Public Education in Mexico, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

■Keynote Lectures 1

Mr. Seita Kanai, Chairman of the Board, Mazda Motor Corporation

Honorary Consulate of the United Mexican States in Hiroshima

The Rector Enrique Luis Graue, the National Autonomous University of Mexico

■Session 1 “Triple Helix Collaboration”

■Session 2 “Collaboration in Research”

■Session 3 “Student Exchange as a basis of the Collaboration”

Friday, 1st December 2017

■Keynote Lectures 2

Dr. Koichiro Yaginuma, Vice President of Kanda University of International Studies

Dr. Salvador Jara, Deputy Minister for Higher Education at the Ministry of Public Education

■Session 4 “Future-Oriented for Japan/Mexico Universities Collaboration”

■Joint Statement

■Closing remarks

On 28th November 2017, one day before the 3rd Japan-Mexico Rectors Summit, the representative of the Mexican delegates, Agustín García López, Executive Director of AMEXCID, and the Ambassador of Mexico to Japan His Excellency Mr Carlos Fernando Almada Lopez will pay a courtesy visit to Hiroshima University. During the visit by the Executive Director, I am going to mention the donation to Mexico earthquake in September this year from the faculty and administrative members as well as the students at Hiroshima University.

Time and Date: 17:00-17:30 Tuesday, 28th November 2017

Venue: Research Building B (Large Conference Hall of School of Dentistry), Kasumi campus

*To the press: please come to the entrance door of Research Building B at 16:45 on the day if you would like to interview the attendees. The coordinator in charge will take you to the venue.

On Wednesday, 29th November 2017, the participants from Mexico will visit Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum, Hiroshima University (Higashi Hiroshima campus), and Mazda Museum. The participants will pay a floral tribute in Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park on the following date:

Time and Date: 11:00-11:15 (expected time) 29th November 2017

Venue: Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park in front of the cenotaph

*To the press: please gather in front of the cenotaph in Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park at 10:45 if you would like to interview the attendees.

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