Note on Application

Admission Requirements:

- (1) Applicants must be public officials working for the government or public institutions in developing countries. It would be preferable that applicants are engaged in the field of promotion of trade and investment.
- (2) Applicants who have more than three years of work experience would be preferable. Excellent applicants with less than three years of work experience would be also eligible for training participation on a case-by-case basis.
- (3) The expected age is 35 years old or younger.
- (4) Applicants, who hold a master's degree or have equivalent experiences regardless of field, would be preferable. Excellent applicants who only have bachelor's degree would be also eligible for training participation on a case-by-case basis.
- (5) Applicants should have sufficient English ability to participate in university-level work. A TOEFL iBT score of more than 88 or equivalent score of TOEIC would be highly recommended.
- (6) Applicants should be persons who can be recommended by their current governmental organization.
- (7) Successful applicants or their organizations will be required to prepare PCs, tablets and other devices, and to bear expenses for joining the program.
- (8) <u>During the training period, ministry / institution is strongly required to cooperate in time management and work coordination so that the fellow can easily participate in the training.</u>

Training Period and Contents:

The program starts from 1st September, 2021 and continues until 21st January, 2022. During the training period, IDEAS fellows will be required to take 40 (or some more / 90min) classes in total; including watching video lectures, attending live lectures and submitting Research paper (4,000-6,000 words), assignments and so on.

Successful applicants can take it.

- (1) Video class About 1-2 lectures a week at a convenient time
- (2) Live stream class-<u>Attend live lectures twice a week.</u>

From 6:00pm to 7:30pm (JST) on Every Monday and Thursday Seminar classes may be held on other days of the week.

Successful fellows who will complete all of the requirement will be qualified to be invited to join the Follow-up Program held in Japan in the future.

Grade Evaluation:

- (1) Attendance rate 85% or more of all lectures
- (2) Each Scores are 60 points or more out of 100 points according to the following distribution.
 - -Research paper
 - -Assignments for each course

Application documents to be submitted:

- Filled application form
- (2) A letter of reference written by a supervisor of the applicant.

<u>Submission:</u> Please submit the application documents to JETRO's overseas office in your country.