

Session B – Natural Sciences - Detailed information

The 3rd Japan-Russia Student Forum on 12-13 September, 2021, Niigata University, Japan, online

SLOGAN: "Crossing All Boundaries and Sharing Your Ideas"

1. Session B : Natural Sciences

2. Subtitle:

“SDGs: What We Can Do”

3. Summary:

- Students specializing in natural sciences in Japanese and Russian universities will discuss what kind of efforts they can make regarding SDGs.
- SDGs are announced as the priority both in Russia and Japan. However, different sociological, historical, economic backgrounds highlight different goals as more urgent than others in both countries. First, we will outline and compare the pace and contents of SDGs implementation in both countries. We want to shed light on complexities and difficulties that the Session B participants may not be aware of, or even take for granted. Simultaneously, we will suggest what kind of cooperation can be established between Japan and Russia to achieve common goals.
- We will draw attention to such environmental challenges as climate change, pollution. Such challenges are so massive that we need to break them down into a set of achievable sub-targets to tackle them. To address both global issues and smaller sub-targets, participants will present their visions prepared in advance. Before and after presentations, there will be quizzes and interactive games aimed at bringing awareness to the subjects and followed by discussion sessions.
- Since many of the targets should be addressed within the nearest years, awareness alone is not enough with some of the larger-scale goals set for 2030. We will discuss what in particular can be achieved by the students as future professionals and citizens of the world in this limited time frame.
- Through these activities, participants will breed empathy and acquire a new perspective on addressing issues specific to each country or common to Japan and Russia. They will find ways to make an impact right now and in the future to achieve sustainable development goals.
- A short presentation of the discussion results and perspectives to stimulate bilateral cooperation will be created by the end of the session.

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4. Detailed information:

The detailed program and pre-assignments of the Session B will be sent to all participants by e-mail. Please, check emails and be sure to prepare.

5. Pre-assignment (if any):

Pre-assignments will be sent to all participants by e-mail, by September 10th.

Those students who confirmed their will to be a moderator/facilitator or to make presentations will receive detailed information by e-mail, by September 8th.

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(Please, be advised that participation with video on is appreciated. When you enter the session zoom, please, turn on video and mute your microphone. Set-up your name for the Session B in English, please.)