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【Inaugural Meeting Parliamentary Members' League to Invite TICAD VII to Yokohama】

Mayor Hayashi attends inaugural meeting of Parliamentary Members' League to Invite TICAD VII to Yokohama

The inaugural meeting for the Parliamentary Members' League to Invite TICAD VII to Yokohama was held on May 25, and Mayor Fumiko Hayashi was in attendance.



League President Hachiro Okonogi gave the following address to establish the group: "Yokohama has experience hosting the fourth and fifth TICAD events, and we would wholeheartedly welcome hosting it again. As a unified Parliamentary League, let's work to realize the next TICAD in Yokohama."

※TICAD, conceived in 1993, is an international conference led by Japan and co-organized by the United Nations, the African Union Commission, and the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), and includes the World Bank and other organizations with the theme of promoting African development.

Maputo Mayor observes Yokohama's transportation, waste management systems

Mayor David Simango of Maputo, capital of the Republic of Mozambique, visited Yokohama on Wednesday, May 17.

Maputo signed an MOU in March with Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism to find solutions to traffic issues. As a function of that collaboration, Mayor Simango toured the Transportation Bureau's Sengen Sales Office to observe Yokohama's transportation systems. The Mayor also toured the Tsurumi Incineration Plant and Recycling Center as a follow-up from the African Clean Cities Platform established at Maputo in April.



In his greeting to the Mayor's delegation, International Affairs Bureau Director General Sekiyama recalled Yokohama's close relationship with Africa and its candidacy to host the upcoming Tokyo International Conference for African Development (TICAD VII).

Promoting Yokohama on Düsseldorf's "Japan Day!"

On May 20, Düsseldorf, Germany, held its annual "Japan Tag" (Japan Day), and the City of Yokohama Frankfurt Representative Office opened a booth. The staff distributed Yokohama sightseeing maps around the booth and answered many questions from visitors to acquaint as many people as possible with the city's charms.



Düsseldorf's Japan Day is one of the biggest Japan-related events in all of Europe, welcoming hundreds of thousands of guests from both Germany and abroad. This year's event was blessed with terrific weather, and the sight of many attendees cosplaying a variety of characters could be seen among the crowds enjoying the festivities.

