

A lasting friendship and cooperation with the people of the world can only be achieved through individual effort

## Three Keywords

### Know

The progress of globalisation has brought countries closer and closer together, as well as further increasing their dependency on one another. In turn, people and objects begin to take an ever more important role in our daily lives. The first step in learning about different countries is therefore in knowing one another.



Discover New and Interesting Things!

### Participate

Japanese and international residents live side by side as members of the same society, living amidst Japanese culture and traditions. It is impossible for everyone to live together in harmony without getting in touch with one another.



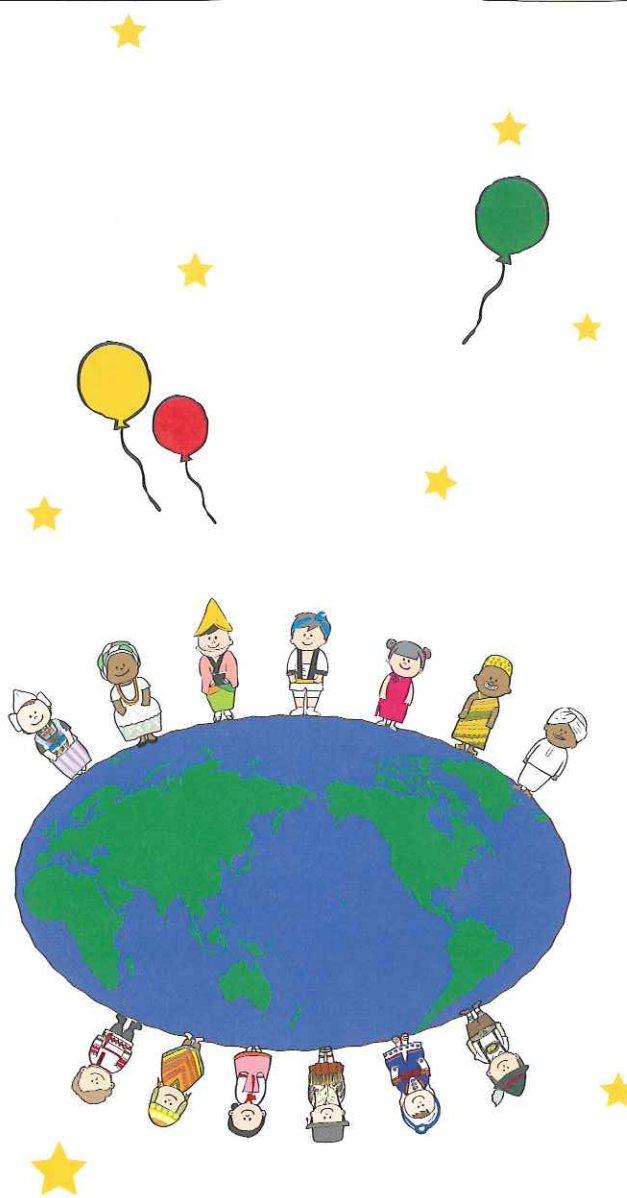
Enjoy Interactions with People from Across the World!

### Acknowledge

The culture and traditions of each country are created and developed over the course of many years. Our age is one in which people must not only understand the differences between the cultures of those around them, but accept these differences as well.



Happiness through Mutual Acceptance!



# The Tokushima International Friendship Charter



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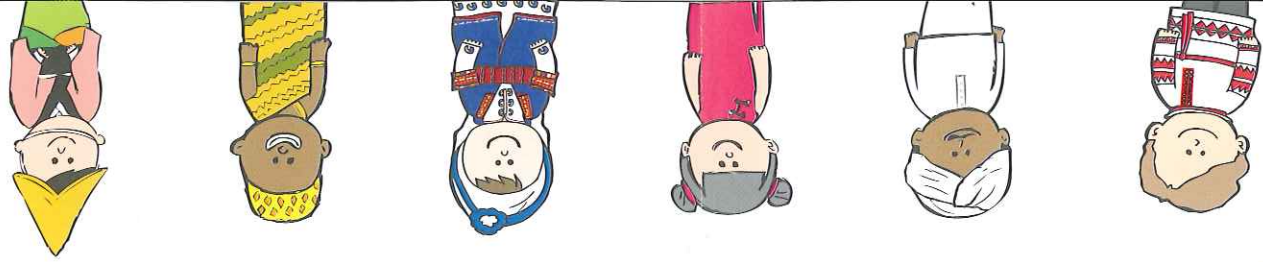


## Making a Welcoming and Open Tokushima for All

An active exchange with people from across the globe can not only broaden our understanding of the world about us, but provides a chance to re-learn what we know about our own culture. It can also act as a revitalising force for local towns and villages, and furthermore aid in the training of well-educated men and women capable of contributing to the global society.

Yet in order to create such a society, it is vital to first create a social environment in which everyone can understand and accept one another's background, and work together whilst living an enjoyable and secure life. This same environment can provide a place in which people can contribute to the global society and promote relations between countries and regions.

It is with these hopes that we create this charter, pledging to work together and honour the welcoming heart of the people of Tokushima, known as 'oasettai', and achieve the goal of an open and sharing Tokushima for all.



## What You can do for Regional Internationalisation



- Greet people with a friendly hello when you meet them
- Ask about culture or customs you are interested in
- Talk about your culture and background
- Look for chances where foreign and local residents can interact
- Participate in international exchange activities
- Participate in activities arranged in your local community
- Work towards exchange through mutual interests
- Talk with one another about worries or concerns you may have
- Talk about your thoughts and feelings in your own words
- Learn about the culture and traditions of those around you
- Understand the local social rules and follow them
- Acknowledge that everyone is a member of the same society
- Respect one another as fellow members of planet earth

