

# Awards Entry

2016 Asia-pacific Conference RESPECT-HISTORY-DISCOVER-FUTURE JCI JAPAN Best Local OMOIYARI Project



**Entry Information** 

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Category:	Best Local OMOIYARI Project	

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## **Basic Information**

Duration : August 19th to 23rd 2015

Staff : 50

- Palau Visitors Authority
- Sponsors : Government of Palau
  - Ministry of Education Pal

Budget : 2,500 USD

Profit / Loss : 0

In which UN MDG best

fit (if apply): ?:

Who is benefited ?:

- 20,000 Citizens of the Republic of Palau
- 400 people of Japanese Palau residents
  - 126,910,000 Citizens of Japan

Objective : **JCI TOKYO** aims to spread "**OMOIYARI**" spirit for realizing the permanent world peace at a country where doesn't have **JCI**.

- 1. Nations of the Republic of Palau and Japan build up a true trust relationship and understand each other with respect by recognizing history and experiencing their culture and traditions. (CONNECT)
- Both countries understand each other's cruel war history, share "OMOIYARI" spirit and raise awareness to realize the world peace. (POSITIVE CHANGE)
- Citizen of the countries with awareness proactively acts as leaders (spreading "OMOIYARI" spirit) and provide sustainable impacts on world. (ACTIVE CITIZEN)

It is absolutely necessary to have mutual understandings and respect each other in order to realize the world peace without a war. (COLLABORATE & CONNECT)

Overview : In order to achieve the objectives, **JCI TOKYO** co-organized the RESPECT HISTORY, DISCOVER FUTURE ~JAPAN & PALAU FRIENDSHIP PROJECT with PALAU VISITORS AUTHORITY. (one of the Palau government authorities)

**JCI TOKYO** managed following projects in the Republic of Palau;

- Meeting with His Excellency Mr. Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr., President of the Republic of Palau JCI TOKYO had Mr. President understand "OMOIYARI" spirit and exchanged the opinion about the future relationship of two countries.
- 2. Lecture : "RESPECT HISTORY, DISCOVER FUTURE" ~peaceful world without a war~
  Speaker: Mr. Minoru Ueki Former ambassador plenipotentiary of Embassy of Palau.
  History and situation of the Palau under the rules of Japan during the WW II with his own experience.
  - Palau people's feeling towards Japan.
  - How the future relationship of two countries should be for realization of the world peace.
- held the WANPAKU SUMO tournament Sumo starts and end with vow. Praise the winner and treat the defeated with respect. It is not about just win or lose but learn to care and appreciate the opponent through the Sumo match. That is the WANPAKU SUMO spirit. It aimed to have children learn the importance of appreciation and caring for each other by playing WANPAKU SUMO.
   Adult viewers observed how children honor the WANPAKU

SUMO.

JAPAN & PALAU FRIENDSHIP FESTIVAL
 Deepened the mutual understanding by introducing each other

culture.

-Both countries had exhibition booths to promote each country's culture such as performing songs, dancing, traditional arts, and food. Attendants experienced both countries unique culture with joy.

5. JCI TOKYO held RESPECT HISTORY. (Tour of comforting worship all nations war victims at Peleliu island in Palau) During the WW II Peleliu island was known for heavy-fighting field for U.S.A and Japan and had more than 12,000 war dead. JCI TOKYO comforted all the spirits of dead regardless of whether they were American or Japanese. Also, JCI TOKYO dedicated the SEMBAZURU with the wishes of world peace and respect of history to the memorial monument.

Results :

 Meeting with His Excellency Mr. Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr., President of the Republic of Palau Mr. president agreed with the project's purpose and promised full support. (CONNECT)

2. Lecture by Mr. Minoru Ueki, former ambassador plenipotentiary of embassy of Palau.

38 Japanese including children and 13 Palau people attended.
 lecture was given in Japanese with lots of his real war experiences focused on how two countries should relate in the future.

 real experience stories moved attendants, and they declared to take actions to achieve the objectives. (POSITIVE CHANGE ACTIVE CITIZEN)

3. held the WANPAKU SUMO tournament

131 children attended from 10 school in the republic of Palau.
learned the spirit of WANPAKU SUMO, to care for each other, through the sumo matches.

- had cultural exchanges through Japanese paper-lantern painting lesson.

 adults also felt the importance of the spirit of WANPAKU SUMO by observing children's positive behavior towards the match.

4. JAPAN & PALAU FRIENDSHIP FESTIVAL

- about 2,000 of Palau people, Japanese residents, and tourists from all over the world visited. (info released by the government of the republic of Palau)

• managed the karaoke event. songs were performed in both languages on the stage, played picture-story show, and both countries history quiz tournaments.

at Japan's exhibition booths', visitors tried YUKATA and anime costumes. Also, they made Japanese traditional items such as KAZAGURUMA and FURIN. In addition, traditional toys and snacks were supplied as prizes for the tournament.
at the Palau booths', cultural exchanges such as trying traditional clothes, crafts, and food were presented. Thanks to all the presentation, many people enjoyed the concept of developing the mutual understanding over two very different cultures. (ACTIVE

- 5. JCI TOKYO held respect history. (tour of comforting worship all nations war dead at Peleliu island in republic of Palau
  16 people who had no war experience visited the island.
  had a memorial service for war dead of both American and
  - Japanese and battlefield tour.

CITIZEN)

 dedicated SENBADURU with the wish for world peace from Palau and Japanese children. (POSITIVE CHANGE)

JCI TOKYO promoted the project beforehand by announcing its purpose via local newspaper, internet, and national radio in the republic of Palau thanks to the government's full support. JCI TOKYO provided an impact by promoting "OMOIYARI" spirit widely and inviting lots of citizens to the project.

# [UNEXPECTED RESULTS]

monetary donations for great east Japan earthquake

Palau Visitors authority called out its citizens, and they proactively raised money for great east Japan earthquake. Contribution was donated to the damaged area through embassy of Japan in the republic of Palau.

#### Actions Taken : 2014

- September to December: JCI TOKYO Planning meeting
- November: visit to Palau for inspection and request corporation

#### 2015

- January: courtesy call to Embassy of the Republic of Palau in Japan.
  - Request cooperation with the project to Mr. Seishiro ETO, Member of the House of Representatives in Japan and Honorary chairman Japan Palau Parliamentary Friendship League
- February: visit the republic of Palau First preparation joint meeting
- · May: Visit the republic of Palau Second preparation joint meeting
- July: visit the republic of Palau Third preparation joint meeting
- August 2nd: pre study with residents in TOKYO and related parties in Japan
- August 19th: visit the republic of Palau Fourth preparation meeting
- August 20th: Conference with His Excellency Mr. Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr., President of the Republic of Palau
- August 21st:
  - \*lecture by Minoru Ueki "respect history, discover future peaceful world without war.
  - \* WANPAKU SUMO tournament (JCI TOKYO & Palau Visitor Authority)
  - \* JAPAN & PALAU FRIENSSHIP FESTIVAL (**JCI TOKYO** & Palau Visitor Authority)
- August 22nd: RESPECT HISTORY (PELELIU ISLAND MEMORIAL TOUR)
  - Worship to all war dead and dedication of SENBADURU

Recommendations : JCI TOKYO considers the objectives have been achieved due to hereunder;

2,000 people from not only Japan and the republic of Palau but also all over the world joined the project co-hosted by **JCI TOKYO** and Palau Visitors Authority in the republic of Palau where local **JCI** doesn't exist. (the number of 2,000 is the information the Palau government released)

Enjoyed cultural exchanges and learned history of each other's countries through the project. Developed trustful relations and respects by sharing "OMOIYARI" spirit and building better understandings.

Succeeded to increase the number of new leaders aiming the realization of world peace throughout the process of the project. Also, influenced large number of visitors and raised awareness for world peace. [Unachieved objectives and Improvement plan]

To give sustainable impact on world, proactive leaders are critical. **JCI TOKYO** created the impact and gave **POSITIVE CHANGE** to both nations to be proactive leaders but weak to make the impact sustainable.

The Japanese imperial couple visited Peleliu island in the republic of Palau and offered flowers for all the war dead and prayed for peace. This was reported worldwide and became an opportunity for young generations to be aware of war history. This event helped create the bridge to **CONNECT** Palau and Japanese people. Therefore, as an improvement plan, **JCI TOKYO** will not fade the memorable visit away from people's mind. Using it as a symbol of living history, **JCI TOKYO** will develop the project further and regularly, which will be a sustainable impact. JCI

#### Award Category criteria

**Objectives, Planning, Finance and Execution** 

program?

What were the **JCI TOKYO** aims to spread "OMOIYARI" spirit for objectives of this realizing the permanent world peace at a country where the **JCI** doesn't exist.

- 1. Palau and Japan build up a true trust relationship and understand each other with respect by recognizing history and experiencing their culture and traditions. (CONNECT)
- 2. Both countries understand each other's cruel war history, share "OMOIYARI" spirit and raise awareness to realize the world peace. (POSITEIVE CHANGE)
- 3. Citizens with awareness proactively act as leaders (spreading "OMOIYARI" spirit) and provide sustainable impacts on world. (ACTIVE **CITIZEN**)

It is absolutely necessary to have mutual understandings and respect each other in order to realize the world peace without a war. (COLLABORATE & CONNECT)

How does this program align to the JCI Plan of Action?

effective quide for the financial

> management of the project?

- Member of young generation of JCI TOKYO took the initiative to execute the project and respect the past. Those attitude and activities gave impacts on the both nations.
- Both nations learned about the history of war they experienced and understand the importance of the friendship.
- Learning experience motivated the nations.
- JCI TOKYO worked on the project together with Palau Visitors Authority. The collaborating experience was very valuable.

Was the budget an No expense other than set budget

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- Venue: offered free by the government of Palau
- Planning: 300 USD
- PR: 500 USD
- Material costs: 200 USD
- Insurance cost: offered by the republic of Palau
- Transportation: 1000 USD
- expendables: 500 USD

Venue, construction, tables, and tents were offered free by the government of the republic of Palau. Japanese association in the republic of Palau managed the Japanese food booth.

JCI

How does this **<JCI MISSION>** project advance To provide the **POSITIVE CHANGE** to Palau and the JCI Mission and Vision? Japanese people for the goal of world peace by sharing "OMOIYARI" spirit.

# <JCI VISION>

Nations after the **POSITIVE CHANGE** act as proactive leaders and send message and give impacts sustainably to the world.





#### Award Category criteria



**Cooperation for the Sake of World Peace** 

community? widely.

How did this In Japan, where the "OMOIYARI" spirit was born, project extend the JCI provided the opportunity for local community to presence of peace in your recognize it once more by promoting the project

> To make the Japanese imperial couple's memorial visit a sustainable impact, JCI TOKYO raised awareness for world peace among Japanese people.

> The couple visited the republic of Palau and worshiped the all war dead for the first time. They prayed for world peace, and Japanese media broadcasted as a big news. Thanks to that, our project was also reported. It helped our activity to be recognized more in our community.

cooperation used to promote peace?

How was JCI TOKYO and Palau Visitors Authority gave impacts on the world by working and cooperating together to spread the "OMOIYARI" spirit beyond the borders.





## Award Category criteria



**Community Impact** 

What was the intended community impact? Increased the number of ACTIVE CITIZENs for world peace by following ways; understanding the past, imagine the future together, and sharing the "OMOIYARI" spirit through the project.

Describe the actual community impact produced by this project.

- **\*OMOIYARI**" spirit through the project.
  the republic of Palau got world's attention by having Japanese imperial couple visited. Thanks to that, **JCI TOKYO**'s project was also reported by news.
  - Palau people proactively raised money for the GREAT EAST JAPAN EARTHQUAKE. (ACTIVE CITIZEN)





### Award Category criteria



Impact on Local Organization

How did the Local The strong relation between JCI TOKYO and Palau Organization Visitors Authority which created during this project benefit from running this become fortune for JCI TOKYO. Moreover, it was the project? opportunity to increase the recognition of JCI. JCI TOKYO adopted the method of WANPAKU SUMO which is constructed since 39 years. It creates new asset of JCI TOKYO.

> Those results give the confidence to **JCI TOKYO** members. That confidence drives JCI TOKYO member to be more **ACTIVE CITIZEN** and WANPAKU SUMO spirit became the strong method to incarnate **JCI** philosophy.

program advance the JCI Mission?

How did the Citizen of Japan and Palau reform consciousness for achieving world peace by sharing "OMOIYARI" spirit. Moreover, Citizen of Japan and Palau develop their mind though understanding each other. (POSITIVE CHANGE)





## Award Category criteria



Long-term Impact of the Program

What is the expected long-term impact of this project?

What changes would you make to improve the results of this project?

- 1. ACTIVE CITIZEN who changed positively afford sustainable IMPACT to the world by acting a leader with "OMOIYARI" spirit proactively.
- 2. Increasing **ACTIVE CITIZEN**s will continue creating leading global network for world peace.
- The limitation of conveying "OMOIYARI" spirit by JCI TOKYO <Improvement Plan> The local organization should be the next organizer of this project and understand "OMOIYARI" spirit more by doing this project themselves. Moreover, it is necessary to involve Japanese organizations to create the ripple effect.
- Sustainable IMPACT toward to world peace.
   <Improvement Plan>
   To giving the Sustainable IMAPACT for world peace, it is important to ensconce this project to local organization.



