

## Development of Youth Leaders for Environmental Activities in the Northeast Asia 2021 (Overview)

The objective of this project is organizing an event for human resource development, targeting at (mainly high school) students in the northeast Asian region. Through discussions and hands-on experiences with the general public on environmental conservation as well as international exchange, the project helps nurture human resources.

**1. Time** 24 August 13:30~16:00, 25 August 13:30~16:00

**2. Style** On-line Meeting (using “Zoom” software)

### 3. Organizing Board

Organizer: Toyama Prefecture (Japan)

Secretariat: Northwest Pacific Region Environmental Cooperation Center (NPEC)

Supporter: participating municipalities

### 4. Participants

34 Students (mainly high school students)  
from 5 municipalities, 3 countries

- China: Shanxi province
- Japan: Toyama prefecture
- Russia: Primorsky Territory, Khabarovsk Territory, Tomsk Region

**5. Theme** For promotion of SDGs/Environmental conversation

### 6. Contents

\* [event materials](#)

#### (1) Opening Address

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Civic Affairs, Environment & Culture Department,

Director-General



#### (2) Self introduction (Region & Personal)

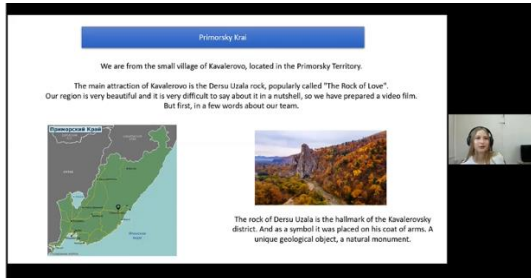
For each municipality, slides were used to promote the region (national/local government) in which they reside and to introduce the participants.



Toyama Prefecture



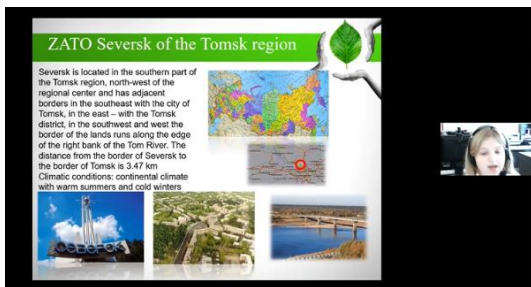
Shanxi Province



Primorsky Territory



Khabarovsk Territory



Tomsk Region

### (3) Presentation on cultural thing/Attractions

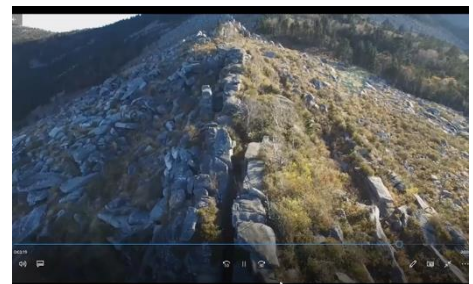
They made presentations using Movie on the culture and climate of each region and deepened mutual understanding.



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Shanxi Province



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Tomsk Region

#### (4) Presentation on Activities

The contents of environmental conservation activities carried out by the participating students in each local government were announced, and opinions were exchanged.

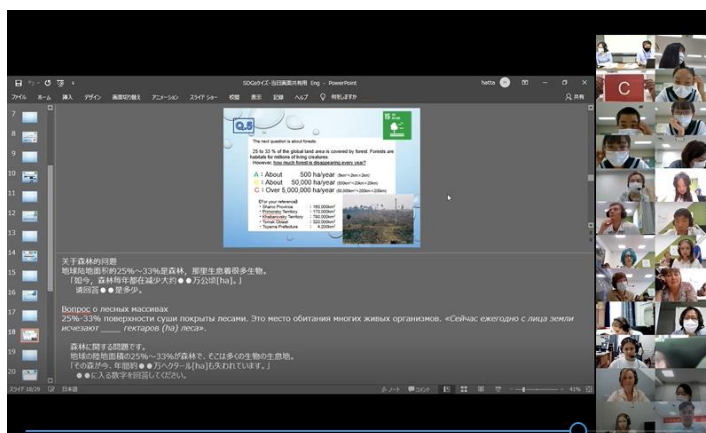
\* Click on the title of each municipality to view the materials.

Municipality	Title
Toyama Prefecture (Japan)	<p><a href="#">The use of sardines for a sustainable society</a></p>
Shanxi Province (China)	<p><a href="#">Prevention and control of Air Pollution</a></p>
Primorsky Territory (Russia)	<p><a href="#">My legislative initiative</a></p>
Khabarovsk Territory (Russia)	<p><a href="#">Study on the ecological status of the snow cover in Khabarovsk</a></p>

<p>Tomsk Region (Russia)</p>	<p><a href="#">Formation of the “GREEN SCHOOL” project within the framework of modern school education</a></p> 
<p>Toyama Prefecture (Japan)</p>	<p><a href="#">Save Our Ocean!</a></p>

### (5) Environmental Quiz

Through quizzes on SDGs & environmental conservation, participants learned about environmental conservation while having fun, and also tried to interact with each other.



### (6) Free Discussion


Participants were divided into small groups and had free exchanges such as Q&A, exchange of opinions, and cross-cultural exchange throughout the program.





**(6) Group Activity**

Based on the theme of "ideal society/country/world in 2050", each municipality made a poster works, presented their intentions for the works, and exchanged opinions.

Municipality	Works & intentions
<p>Toyama Prefecture (Japan)</p>	<p>《Save Our Earth ~Not only our area but all over the world~》</p>  <p>Let's work together, support each other, and work together to do something better for the environment of the earth, without any discrimination or distinction of nationality or gender. It is also the basis of the SDGs.</p>

Shanxi  
Province  
(China)

《At One with nature》



In 2050, the results of our efforts up to that point will be visible, various technological innovations will advance, and we will have a society full of green and blue, and parents will raise their children to live in the future.

Primorsky  
Territory  
(Russia)

《WORLD'S FUTURE DEPENDS ON US》

Primorsky Krai

**WORLD'S FUTURE DEPENDS ON US**

**FUTURE WORLD IN OUR MINDS IS:**

- People rationally use resources
- Humanity strives for general well-being
- Everything around environmentally friendly
- The biodiversity of the Red Book is being actively replenished
- The problem of garbage has been solved

THE FIRST STEP FOR THE IDEAL WORLD IS PROHIBITION TO LAUNCH BALLOONS

Let's make our planet cleaner, stop launch balloons

WE BELIEVE THAT FUTURE WORLD WILL LOOK LIKE THIS

A collage of images illustrating environmental goals. It includes a dog with a blue ribbon, a turtle with a blue ribbon, a dog with a blue ribbon, a man with his hands behind his head, a forest path, and a globe.

In 2050, the earth will lead a more eco-friendly life, such as "using resources wisely" and "restoring endangered species".

Khabarovsk  
Territory  
(Russia)

《We must save our planet》



For the future, will we leave garbage or will we leave beautiful greenery? Let's think more about the global environment together.

### (8) Environmental Declaration

Representatives of the participants (Toyama Prefecture) presented the Environmental Declaration.



## **Environmental Declaration 2021**

As representatives of China, Russia, and Japan, we participated in the "Development Project of Youth Leaders for Environmental Activities in Northeast Asia 2021". Under the theme, "SDGs – To Promote Environmental Conservation Activities," we shared information, exchanged opinions, and created posters about conservation of the atmospheric environment and ecosystem, sorting and recycling of waste, various activities aiming for a sustainable society, and protection of the marine and coastal environment. Through these activities, we understood the philosophy of the SDGs and realized our mission to pass on the rich environment to the next generation.

To protect the great environment in Northeast Asia, we strongly feel that many people need to work together and cooperate across regional and national boundaries. Based on the philosophy of the SDGs, we have learned that it is essential to approach environmental conservation from various fields by making use of the knowledge and network gained here, with the aim of "leaving no one behind" all over the world.

We promise to actively participate in environmental conservation activities in each country and region while interacting with each other. We also pledge to convey the importance of preserving the rich and beautiful natural environment of northeast Asia to a wide range of generations living in this region.

August 25, 2021

The participants in the Development Project of Youth Leaders for Environmental Activities in Northeast Asia 2021

### **(8) Closing Address**

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