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# grant applications for Asia neighbourhood exchange programme



The banner features the Toyota Foundation logo at the top center. To the left is a blue speech bubble with the text 'Now Calling!'. The main title 'International Grant Program' is prominently displayed. Below it, the subtitle reads 'Cultivating Empathy Through Learning from Our Neighbors: Practitioners' Exchange on Common Issues in Asia'. A dotted line separates this from the 'Application Period : April 2 to June 15, 2018, 23:59 Japan Standard Time'. On the right is a globe icon. At the bottom, four small photographs show diverse groups of people engaged in various activities: a group sitting on the ground, a group of children, two people working at a table, and a group of people in a room.

The Toyota Foundation in Japan has a call for grant applications for the programme: **Cultivating Empathy Through Learning from Our Neighbors: Practitioners' Exchange on Common Issues in Asia**. The target countries are East and Southeast Asia\*. Applicants should be diverse team based in multiple target countries. Team members could include those with practical experience and knowledge on addressing issues in the target countries, such as practitioners, researchers, creators, policy makers, and journalists and other media representatives.

### Thematic areas are:

- A. Multigenerational and Multicultural Inclusion in Communities
- B. Creating New Culture: Toward a Common Platform for Asia
- C. Open Field

### Projects may be for one or two years and are required to:

- 1) identify issues and conduct a review by surveying and analyzing the situation in target countries;
- 2) carry out activities aimed at providing solutions to issues;
- 3) produce and disseminate tangible output

The grant program focuses on deepening mutual understanding and knowledge-sharing among people on the ground in East and Southeast Asia who are finding solutions to shared issues. Through promoting direct interaction among key players, the grant program aims to survey and analyze situations in target countries, obtain new perspectives, and expand the

potential of future generations.

With multinational teams comprised of participants from diverse backgrounds, projects can avoid conventional linear relationships, such as “supporter and supported” or “instructor and trainee,” and instead form cooperative and creative alliances that consider, act on, and construct solutions to shared issues. The grant program anticipates that these partnerships, which extend beyond such factors as nationality, age, and organizational affiliation, will produce significant social change through fostering a process of mutual learning.

**Grant amount:**

- a) One-year project: JPY 5,000,000 (approx. USD 44,500);
- b) Two-year project: JPY 10,000,000 (approx. USD 89,000)

- \*East Asia: China, Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, South Korea, Mongolia, Japan
- \* Southeast Asia: Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Vietnam


**Deadline: 15 June 2018**

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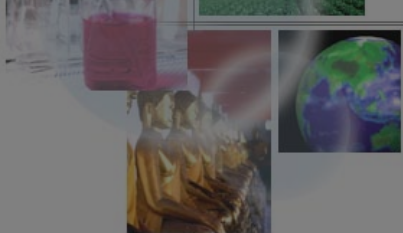
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