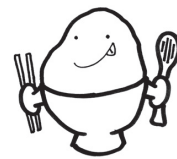


Public Comment Booklet

Kyoto City International Strategic Vision (Draft)

We welcome your opinions!



Kyoto City manages the progress of the Kyoto City Internationalization Promotion Plan, which explains the basic idea on promoting internationalization in the city. In order to be flexible in responding to rapidly changing social circumstances, we have compiled the Kyoto City International Strategic Vision that clarifies the significance of international projects and shows the direction of initiatives to achieve the international city vision of Kyoto City.

We would like to kindly ask for your opinions on the Kyoto City International Strategic Vision.

Implementation Period :

From December 14th,2020 to January 22nd,2021 (The Opinion Form must arrive no later than Jan. 22, 2021.)

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We will not respond to your opinions individually.

December, 2020

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Reason for formulation

Kyoto was the capital of Japan for more than a thousand years, and over its long history the city has actively taken on board diverse cultures from both inside and outside Japan, elevated them to new heights, and built a unique culture of its own. In line with this long-established history, in 1978, Kyoto declared itself as A City Open to The Free Exchange of World Cultures. As part of this declaration, the city aimed to become a place where “people of any country may assemble freely and in peace regardless of race, creed or social system, for the purpose of cultural exchange.” Since then, the city has governed a range of different policies that have been driven by this ideal.

Specifically, the city has promoted internationalization through the Kyoto City International Exchange Promotion Principles (1990–1996), the Kyoto City Internationalization Promotion Principles (1997–2007), and the Kyoto City Internationalization Promotion Plan (2008–2020).

Meanwhile, Japan’s international affairs are seeing dizzying transformations. These have been brought on by international competition arising from changes in the balance of power among international societies, the expansion of protectionism as a backlash to the globalization of societies, the worsening of global environmental issues, and increasing threats to world peace.

More recently, the spread of COVID-19 has revealed new issues with regards to how international societies ought to be.

Kyoto City, too, is facing a range of new issues. These include responding to intensifying inter-city competition, promoting understanding of various cultures, and examining how international exchange ought to be as we live alongside COVID-19.

In order to overcome these issues, we believe that we will need to achieve the following goals as an international city.

- 1 A city that fascinates the world, where international individuals can gather
- 2 A city that strengthens collaboration with cities overseas, and contributes to international society
- 3 A city with increased awareness of international exchange among all age groups, that nurtures individuals with an international mindset
- 4 A city that promotes the incorporation of diversity, and enriches the lives of its citizens

The Kyoto City International Strategic Vision will drive the actualization of the above goals, and act as guidelines as we implement policies related to the environment, culture, industry, welfare, education, and more.

Despite the turmoil of international affairs, based on our clear ideal of becoming A City Open to The Free Exchange of World Cultures, this vision will help us become a Global City alongside our citizens and relevant organizations.

Past initiatives

The Kyoto City Internationalization Promotion Plan (2008–2020) served as a goal for the internationalization of our city. Among others, it sought to improve and communicate the appeals of Kyoto, promote citizen-led international exchange and cooperation, and develop a society where diverse cultures can coexist. Together with the national and local governments, universities and corporations, and civic groups, we promoted various initiatives that brought out the best of our history, culture, manufacturing, and other unique aspects of the city.

① Enhancing and communicating the appeals of Kyoto

On the back of the decision to move the whole of the Agency for Cultural Affairs to Kyoto, we implemented various policies to enhance Kyoto's multifaceted appeal as a city of history, of culture and arts, and as a leading eco-friendly city. We also used domestic and international media, as well as our international hubs, to communicate relevant information overseas; created comfortable, welcoming environments for foreign visitors; and worked to create a city that is comfortable to live in for both international students and international residents. As a result of these initiatives, the number of international conferences held in the city in 2019 saw a 2.3 times increase over 2008.

Moreover, our efforts to solve serious issues such as Japan's ageing population and declining birthrates, frequent natural disasters, and the protection of cultural heritage were evaluated highly, and in 2016 we were selected among the 100 Resilient Cities.*¹ Further, as a result of promoting SDGs*² initiatives together with our citizens and financial circles, in 2019 our SDG efforts were ranked number one in Japan.

② Promoting citizen-led international exchange and cooperation

Through wide-ranging exchange with our nine sister cities, as well as our partnership framework to facilitate civic exchange in specific fields with the support of local administrations, we provided various support to facilitate smooth citizen-led exchange. Moreover, at the League of Historical Cities,*³ for which we have served as president since its establishment, we are continuing with activities

alongside our network of historical cities. Meanwhile, as the birthplace of the Kyoto Protocol, the world's first international treaty on climate change, we hosted an international conference that led to the adoption of the IPCC Kyoto Guidelines,*⁵ which are key to supporting the Paris Agreement.*⁴ We have also shared information in various fields with cities overseas, and in turn promoted initiatives to help solve global issues.

③ Developing a society where diverse cultures can coexist

Together with the Kyoto International Community House—a central facility in our efforts to promote internationalization—the Kyoto City Networking Salon for Community Welfare and Multicultural Exchange, and other related groups, we have been providing our international residents*⁶ with Japanese language education, multilingual support, and other communicational support, as well as living support that encompasses education environments, welfare, and disaster response measures. We have also promoted understanding of other cultures in our regional societies, and have been working in other ways to create regions where diverse cultures can coexist. Recently, in 2018, we formulated a set of guidelines for application procedures at the city's public facilities based on the Hate Speech Act. The Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act was revised in the same year, and in line with these developments we launched the Project Team for Promoting Multicultural Coexistence. This was to promote harmony between international residents, civic life, and regional communities, create a society that is comfortable to live in for all, and examine regional revitalization measures in tandem with all city bureaus.

[Kyoto City Internationalization Promotion Plan (2008–2020) data trends]

No. of international conferences in the city	171 (2008)	→ 391 (2019; preliminary figures)	2.3 times increase
No. of cities in the League of Historical Cities	78 cities from 52 countries (2008)	→ 119 cities from 66 countries/regions (2019)	
No. of partner cities	1 (2008)	→ 6 (2019)	4.1 times increase
No. of annual international overnight guests	937,000 (2008)	→ 3,799,000 (2019) * Target: 3,000,000 by 2020	
No. of foreigners on basic resident register (As of end of Dec each year) * Figures up to 2011 are those of registered foreigners	Total : 39,570 (2008) Permanent residents : 3,913 (2008)	→ 48,773 (2019) → 5,935 (2019)	
No. of international students (universities, junior colleges, etc.) (As of May 1 each year) (* 7)	4,688 (2008)	→ 10,696 (2019)	2.3 times increase

* 1: The 100 Resilient Cities is a project launched by the Rockefeller Foundation in the US. (See page 6)

* 2: Sustainable Development Goals (See page 5)

* 3: The League of Historical Cities is a global organization comprising historical cities from around the world. It works to promote city development and daily inter-city exchange. It was launched in 1994 at the 4th World Conference of Historical Cities held in Kyoto.

* 4: The Paris Agreement was adopted at the 21st Conference of the Parties of the UNFCCC in 2015, and is a global framework of climate change measures for 2020 onwards.

* 5: The IPCC Kyoto Guidelines were established in 1997 at the 3rd Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, attended by government personnel, scientists, and others from 180 countries and regions across the world. The guidelines are an improved report on calculation methods for greenhouse gas emissions in each country, and are essential to promoting initiatives for the Paris Agreement.

* 6: "International residents" in this report is a wide-ranging term referring to foreign residents, Japanese nationals with roots overseas, and children and students who have returned from overseas.

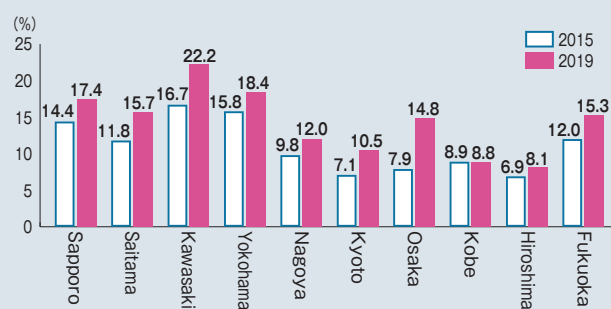
* 7: Figures from the Japan Student Services Organization. Comparative figures are from 2008, and as such do not include vocational schools and Japanese language schools.

Policies required of Kyoto City

① Intensifying inter-city competition in international society

Declining populations and the growth of developing nations has led to increasing competition among cities when seeking to attract researchers, engineers, etc., companies, and international meetings. Against this backdrop, we will need to communicate the appeals of Kyoto overseas, and improve our environments so that we can attract outstanding global companies, researchers, and engineers.

[Ratio of researchers, engineers, etc., among foreign residents]
Note: Calculated based on number of individuals on specialist/engineer visas



The number of researchers, engineers, etc., in ordinance-designated cities is increasing

② New developments in inter-city exchange

In addition to the existing friendly, cultural exchange with our sister cities, partner cities, and members of the League of Historical Cities, we will need to undertake exchange that facilitates economic development and the resolution of city issues. Moreover, international exchange is progressing not only through administration-led efforts, but also through citizen- and private-

led activities. With a lack of leaders among these groups, particularly in the younger generation, we will need to discover individuals who can expand the scope of and help advance exchange activities, and develop individuals who can play active roles in international society.

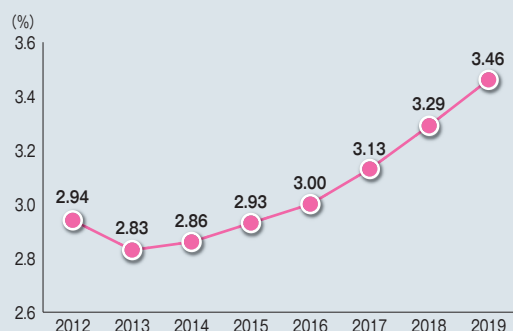
At the same time, in line with the global spread of COVID-19, we will need to develop new methods of exchange, in addition to conventional travel-based and face-to-face exchange.

③ Improving environments so that international residents can live with peace of mind

Of the city's approximately 1.46 million residents, around 49,000 (as of December 2019) are foreign residents of diverse nationalities and cultural backgrounds. Further, with the revision of the Immigration Control and Refugee

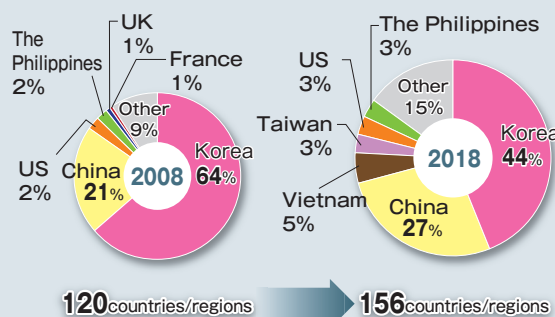
Recognition Act, this number is expected to increase in the future. There are many differences in the language, culture, and living habits of international and local residents, as well as an array of issues arising from a lack of awareness of local entities and individuals. As such, we must aim to create environments that facilitate interaction among international and local residents, mutual recognition of differing values, and cooperative city development.

[Ratio of foreign residents among the population of Kyoto]



Ratio of foreign residents among the population of Kyoto is increasing

[Changes in the nationality and birth regions of foreign residents in Kyoto City]



120 countries/regions → 156 countries/regions

Nationality and birth regions of foreign residents is becoming increasingly diverse

Significance of international project development

We will aim to grow our international projects* and consider it as a future investment to enrich the lives of our citizens while undertaking inter-city exchange and contributing to international society through economic activities. We will thus promote comprehensive development through the four ideas below.

*Project related to the development of overseas sales routes, international exchange, international cooperation, and multicultural coexistence

1. Incorporate vitality from overseas

Amidst the advance of Japan's ageing population and low birthrate, as well as the progression of globalization, transformation of lifestyles, and technological innovation, we will need to incorporate growth markets, advanced initiatives, and cutting-edge professionals and international students from overseas. Vibrant projects and individuals such as these will be essential as we seek to revitalize the economy of Kyoto through the creation of new project models, enhance creativity in culture and the arts, and become a Global City.

2. Generate opportunities to experience diverse values

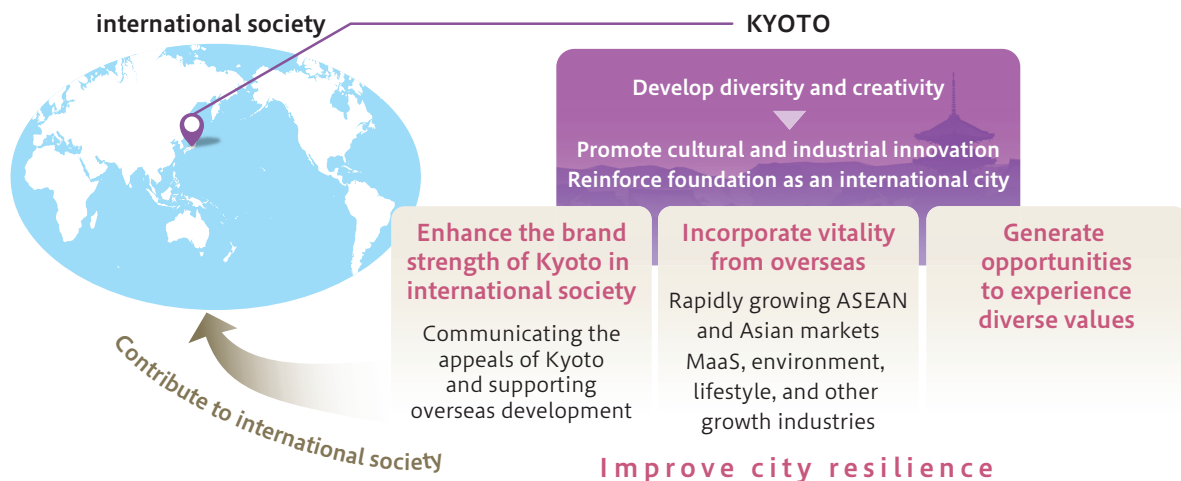
It will be important to facilitate abundant opportunities for exchange with overseas cities, corporations, organizations, and our citizens, allow international residents to live as part of local communities, create environments in which diverse mindsets can coexist, and in turn generate opportunities to experience diverse values. These opportunities will be the driving force for innovation in global human resource development, interaction, economic, cultural and artistic activity, and ultimately lead to the growth of individuals, communities, corporations, and the city.

3. Enhance the brand strength of Kyoto in international society

Kyoto boasts a rich culture and outstanding historical features, and is actively engaged in environment and landscape-related policies. Sharing this information and expertise with cities overseas will contribute to the resolution of common global issues, and not only will it help to build friendly inter-city relationships, it will lead to enhanced brand strength for Kyoto. Enhanced brand strength will provide a significant boost as we seek to grow as a Global City.

4. Improve city resilience

To enable community residents of different nationalities and cultures to support and help one another in times of crisis, such as during earthquakes and torrential rain, it will be important to create an environment in which residents can communicate smoothly with and trust one another on a regular basis. It will also be key to form and strengthen positive relationships with overseas cities, organizations, and institutions. These efforts will provide an incentive for mutual support in times of emergency and recovery, and in terms of improving city resilience, will be essential.



International city goals

In line with the goals set out in the Kyoto City Internationalization Promotion Plan (2008–2020), we will aim to achieve the following four international city goals.

1 A city that fascinates the world, where international individuals can gather

Based on our world-famous history, traditional cultures, industries, and rich green nature, we will aim to charm the world as a city that promotes advanced environment and landscape-related initiatives. In turn, we will seek to become a city in which various international meetings are held, and where international students, global companies, and individuals with specialized expertise, techniques, and experience gather.



2 A city that strengthens collaboration with cities overseas, and contributes to international society

We will seek to promote economic and artistic exchange based on the individual characteristics of our sister and partner cities. In addition, to provide solutions to common city issues such as world peace, human rights, the environment, and the protection of historical and cultural assets for future generations, we will aim to facilitate inter-city collaboration that goes beyond international relationships, and become a city that contributes to international society.



3 A city with increased awareness of international exchange among all age groups, that nurtures individuals with an international mindset

By increasing opportunities to interact with people from different countries and regions at various locations, including the Kyoto International Community House—a central facility for international exchange—we will aim to increase interest and understanding of foreign cultures among all age groups. In this way, we will seek to cultivate an international mindset that understands various cultures and values from both in Japan and abroad, and that looks at things from a diverse perspective.



4 A city that promotes the incorporation of diversity, and enriches the lives of its citizens

We will aim to create a city in which all citizens can recognize differing cultural backgrounds, mindsets, and values, and which incorporates the diversity of its foreign residents. This will facilitate further exchange, develop new values and ideas, and enrich the lives of our citizens.



1st fundamental element to achieve our international city goals

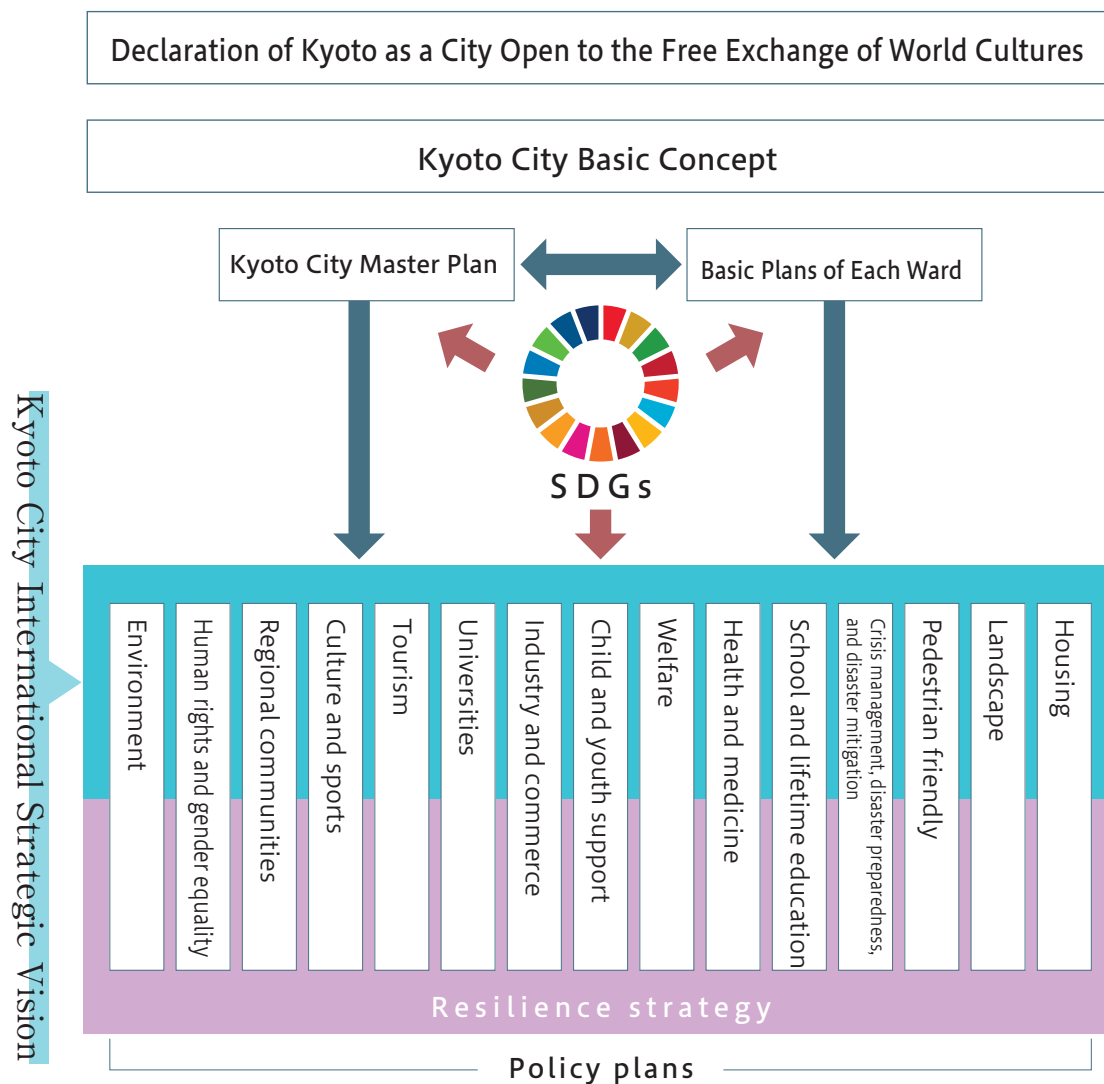
SDGs

In September 2015, the United Nations adopted the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to act as a set of universal targets for advanced and developing nations to tackle together for international society by the year 2030. The goals seek to solve global issues pertaining to climate change, biodiversity, infectious diseases, conflict, and more. The SDGs comprise 17 specific goals that pledge to ensure “no one will be left behind,” and Kyoto City is actively engaged in efforts to achieve these targets.



Relevance of Strategic Vision

As individual bureaus and wards in the city seek to achieve the goals in each of their policies, this Strategic Vision will support the effective development of international projects.



Initiatives for the mid- to long-term, such as contribution to the SDGs, are essential for this Strategic Vision, and so it is expected to remain effective for around 10 years to 2030. However, in line with trends in international society, the degree

to which Japan welcomes international residents through various policies, and the length of the Kyoto City Basic Concept plan, we will revise the content and term length as necessary.

2nd fundamental element to achieve our international city goals

Resilience

Cities are facing various issues such as declining, ageing populations, low birthrates, weakening regional communities, and natural disasters that include earthquakes and typhoons. To cope with these issues, in addition to sustainability, the ability to respond and recover from these crises is key to city development—in other words, resilience. Kyoto City was selected as one of the 100 Resilient Cities by the Rockefeller Foundation, which solicited entries for the three years between 2013 and 2015. To further enhance our resilience, we will develop leaders for the next-generation of society using resources solely from Kyoto.

Kyoto City International Strategic Vision Overview

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A city that fascinates the world, where international individuals can gather

Direction of initiatives

- Create new value to enhance the appeal of Kyoto
- Use various opportunities to communicate the appeals of Kyoto as a global city
- Create environments that are appealing to foreign researchers and engineers, etc.

2

A city that strengthens collaboration with cities overseas, and contributes to international society

Direction of initiatives

- Use the power of culture as a platform to promote international exchange and collaboration, and contribute to international society and world peace
- Promote mutually beneficial inter-city exchange

Our International City Goals

3

A city with increased awareness of international exchange among all age groups, that nurtures individuals with an international mindset

Direction of initiatives

- Develop leaders who can play an active role in a global society
- Create opportunities for people of all ages to come into contact with the world's diverse culture
- Develop personnel who can support the international development of Kyoto

4

A city that promotes the incorporation of diversity, and enriches the lives of its citizens

Direction of initiatives

- Provide information in multiple languages and support for communication
- Create systems for international residents to live safely and with peace of mind
- Promote participation by international residents in regional and civic activities
- Provide employment support for international residents in various regions

Significance of international project development

Incorporate vitality from overseas

Generate opportunities to experience diverse values

Enhance the brand strength of Kyoto in international society

Improve city resilience

Environment

Education

Culture and the arts Sports

Universities

Childcare

City development

Welfare

Industry

Gender equality

Regional communities

Direction of initiatives

In line with the significance of our international project development, we will promote the following courses of action to achieve the four international city goals we have set out .

International
City
Goal

1 A city that fascinates the world, where international individuals can gather

Direction of initiatives

① Create new value to enhance the appeal of Kyoto

Kyoto has a diverse range of charms and strengths. These include the rich, beautiful natural landscapes we have protected and developed as a city, tangible and intangible cultural assets we have accumulated over more than 1,200 years, traditional technologies and content industries, and high value-added, advanced manufacturing industries such as those in the life science field. By making use of these advantages, we can attract entrepreneurs, international students, and researchers and engineers from both Japan and abroad, and create an ecosystem that promotes new innovations to further enhance the appeal of the city.

② Use various opportunities to communicate the appeals of Kyoto as a global city

We will actively participate in the World Conference of Historical Cities—of which our mayor is president—and other international meetings and exhibitions held online, in Japan, and overseas, and communicate information

about our appeals, policies, and businesses to the world. Moreover, when representatives of various nations, cities, and foreign-owned companies visit the city, the mayor and other top-level officials will actively promote the city on our behalf.

Moreover, we will widely communicate the appeals of the city on a global scale through those associated with the city, as well as through various mediums and opportunities.

③ Create environments that are appealing to foreign researchers and engineers, entrepreneurs, and international students

To ensure that foreign researchers, employees, and their families can live fulfilling lives in the city, we will provide lifestyle support including multi-language childcare support, as well as educational support through international schools and the like.

Further, we will improve our environments to accommodate international students, create environments where they can learn and live with peace of mind, and create opportunities for them to encounter the culture, arts, and other highlights of Kyoto.

Initiatives

- Promote the global startup ecosystem
- Promote entrepreneurial activity by foreigners using startup visas
- Host the Kyoto International Manga Anime Awards
- Enhance city promotion when entertaining foreign guests
- Provide comprehensive, lifestyle-related information for foreign researchers and their families, etc.
- Support international schools
- Solely Kyoto initiatives to attract international students, and provide information directly after their arrival in Japan
- Support universities who are promoting activities to globalize their facilities and students

Direction of initiatives

① Use the power of culture as a platform to promote international exchange and collaboration, and contribute to international society and world peace

For more than a thousand years, we have developed and protected the culture of Kyoto together as a city. Using this culture as a platform, we will enhance our collaboration and cooperation through inter-city networks such the League of Historical Cities, which aims to solve issues common to historical cities throughout the world. In this way we will look to protect our cultural heritage, implement global warming

countermeasures, and thereby contribute to the SDGs, international society and world peace.

② Promote mutually beneficial inter-city exchange

Regarding exchange with our sister cities, partner cities, and other cities overseas, in addition to the existing, friendly exchange that aims to further understanding of different cultures, we will work with our citizens, universities, and economic and cultural groups to promote exchange activities that solve common issues, facilitate economic development, and promote our respective policies.

[Major inter-city networks with which we are involved]

▶ League of Historical Cities (President and administrative office: Kyoto City)

The League of Historical Cities works to share successful cases and solutions for both the protection and use of cultural heritage, and contributes to the development of cities worldwide. Kyoto City acts as chairman of the League.

▶ Resilient Cities Network (Headquarters: New York)

The 100 Resilient Cities Project was launched in 2013 by the Rockefeller Foundation in the US to commemorate its 100th anniversary. As part of the project, entries were recruited from around the world and 100 cities were selected to be on the list. The project ended in July 2019, and the Resilient Cities Network, led by Chief Resilience Officers in each city, was established to maintain and develop the project's legacy.

▶ ICLEI (Headquarters: Bonn, Germany)

ICLEI is an international network comprised of more than 1,750 local governments who are committed to achieving sustainability. As the birthplace of the Kyoto Protocol, we believe it is our international mission to communicate model global warming countermeasures to the world, and expand the scope of related action. As such, through ICLEI, we are collaborating and cooperating with local governments around the world to promote global warming countermeasures on an international scale. The mayor of Kyoto City is the Regional Chair for East Asia.

Initiatives

- Promote the conservation and development of the world's cultural heritage sites through the League of Historical Cities
- Continue participating in international meetings such as the UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP)
- Support grassroots activities through the Kyoto World Water Grand Prize
- Develop personnel and create a network hub to help achieve a low-carbon society in Malaysia
- Collaborate with cities overseas to promote the projects of various city departments
- Promote economic exchange, etc., with sister cities

Direction of initiatives

1 Develop leaders who can play an active role in a global society

We will create opportunities for discussion with international students and foreign researchers to develop an international mindset among students in Kyoto City, and develop local leaders with an international perspective who can contribute to the development of local communities.

Moreover, through mutual exchange with foreign countries, and through understanding of and respect for one another's natural features, history, and cultural background, we will look to foster an international understanding and mindset among the city's youth.

2 Create opportunities for people of all ages to come into contact with the world's diverse cultures

Centered on the Kyoto City International Foundation, we will be an active hub for information on international exchange and multicultural coexistence. We will also increase opportunities for international residents and individuals from various countries to interact with the city's citizens, and in turn enhance learning and exchange to generate further interest in and

understanding of different cultures.

Moreover, to revitalize civic group-led international exchange and initiatives aimed at coexistence with diverse cultures, we will facilitate collaboration with public and international institutions, and help to raise awareness of relevant projects and initiatives.

Finally, to ensure that we can continue international exchange during the global spread of infectious diseases even with restrictions on conventional travel-based and face-to-face exchange, we will support activities by working with the Kyoto City International Foundation, foreign culture centers in the city, and other related organizations.

3 Develop employees who can support the international development of Kyoto

To develop city employees who can formulate policies that take into account foreign relations and international residents, as well as those who have the communicational ability to negotiate with foreign entities, we will continue to implement training to improve awareness of diverse cultures and dispatch personnel to the overseas sites of domestic institutions. We will also encourage city employees to participate in international meetings held overseas.

Initiatives

- Support the Historical Cities Youth Forum
- Encourage students in the city to participate in the Friendship City Youth Meeting
- Hold exchange events at the Kyoto International Community House
- Develop next-generation leaders for Kyoto in collaboration with corporations in the city
- Promote regional exchange with students (including international students)

Direction of initiatives

1 Provide information in multiple languages and support for communication

We will enhance Japanese-language education for international residents who find it difficult to communicate in Japanese, and, while considering differences in culture and customs, provide lifestyle policy information related to welfare, education, and more, in easy-to-understand Japanese and other foreign languages. Moreover, we will continue to provide support for school life, through Japanese-language guidance and foreign language aid, to ensure that students and their guardians can communicate smoothly with the school.

2 Create systems for international residents to live safely and with peace of mind

We will enhance multi-language support at the Inquiry Counter for Foreign Citizens at the Kyoto International Community House, as well as at the consultation counters of our ward offices. Moreover, in the case of a natural disaster, outbreak of an infectious disease, or any other crisis, to ensure that our international residents can take appropriate action, we will enhance

our information distribution system to include information in foreign languages.

Further, we will respect diverse cultures, and strive to create a society in which individuals are not treated unfairly due to their nationality or race.

3 Promote participation by international residents in regional and civic activities

While working with organizations and universities who are involved in efforts to advance multicultural coexistence, we will create opportunities for international residents to share their different cultural backgrounds and mindsets with the citizens of Kyoto to encourage mutual recognition of differing values. Making use of this diversity, we will create an environment that facilitates cooperative city development.

4 Provide employment support for international residents in various regions

In addition to helping international students find employment in Kyoto, we will provide support to ensure smooth progress in employment for foreign workers at companies in the city, and create an environment that enables foreign workers to work with peace of mind.

Initiatives

- Comprehensively promote multicultural coexistence through city policies
- Enhance comprehensive consultation at the Inquiry Counter for Foreign Citizens
- Enhance Japanese-language education
- Provide support for foreign school students
- Install tablets with multi-language support at ward office counters
- Offer multi-language support on the city's disaster preparedness website
- Encourage international residents to participate in local councils
- Provide employment support by creating opportunities for international students and corporations to interact

【 Chapter 3 】 Indicators and Implementation

Indicators

This Vision was formulated so that we can flexibly respond to any changes in the conditions of international society. To ascertain the degree to which we have achieved our vision, we have established a set of indicators to monitor our individual city goals, and will regularly and continuously verify them.

Indicators	Figures	Related city goal
Total population of Kyoto City	1,466,264 (2019)	Vision as a whole
No. of nationalities among foreign residents	156 countries and regions (2019)	City goal 1
No. of conventions held	391 (2019; preliminary figures)	
No. of convention participants	193,585 (2019; preliminary figures)	
Ratio of highly skilled professionals among foreign residents* ¹	10.5% (2019)	
Kyoto Citizen's Social Interaction Survey* ² The ratio of citizens who believe Kyoto has charms to attract visitors from all around the world for sightseeing, study and business; and it also has the environment to receive them	62.5% (2019)	
No. of member cities in the League of Historical Cities	119 cities from 66 countries and regions (2019)	City goal 2
Kyoto Citizen's Social Interaction Survey* ² The ratio of citizens who believe that, as a peace loving city, Kyoto is contributing to international society through the preservation of cultural assets and eco-friendly efforts	56.0% (2019)	
No. of citizen-led projects to which we provide nominal support* ³	145 (2019)	City goal 3
No. of participants to seminars and events at the Kyoto International Community House	99,262 (2019)	
No. of international students (universities, junior colleges, vocational schools, Japanese-language schools)	14,252 (2019)	
Kyoto Citizen's Social Interaction Survey* ² The ratio of citizens who believe that in Kyoto, various cross-cultural activities are gaining force at individual and organizational levels	49.5% (2019)	

Indicators	Figures	Related city goal
No. of foreigners on basic resident register	Total 48,773 (2019) Permanent residents 5,935 (2019)	City goal 4
No. of foreign school students (public elementary schools–high schools)	836 (2019)	
Ratio of foreign residents among the city's population	3.46% (2019)	
Kyoto Citizen's Social Interaction Survey* ² The ratio of citizens who believe Kyoto is a place where people live active lives and mutually understand one another despite differences in nationality, race, culture, etc.	35.9% (2019)	

*1: The ratio of foreign visa holders among international residents in the city with the following qualifications: Professor, artist, religious activities, journalist, highly skilled professional, business manager, legal/accounting services, medical services, researcher, instructor, engineer/specialist in humanities/international services, intra-company transferee, entertainer, skilled labor, nursing care, highly skilled professional class 1/class 2

*2: Questions and the survey method may change. The ratio is based on those who responded "Agree" or "Perhaps."

*3: No. of citizen-led projects with nominal support from Kyoto City for activities related to international exchange, international cooperation, promotion of multicultural coexistence, and development of overseas sales channels.

Implementation of international projects in the Strategic Vision

To flexibly roll out international projects in this Strategic Vision as we head toward our ideal state, we have established a committee comprising the heads of various bureaus and wards, as well as a number of working groups for international exchange and cooperation, and multicultural coexistence, and will share information across our city bureaus to promote project collaboration.

Moreover, we will report to an external expert

committee on the degree to which our initiatives are progressing and provide feedback to our city bureaus. We will also work with various groups and institutions, our citizens, and the Kyoto City International Foundation to steadily promote our international policies.

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Opinion Form

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