

Annual Report

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Message from the Chairman



Since its establishment as a private non-profit organization in September 1986, the Sasakawa Peace Foundation (SPF) has strived to contribute to world peace through international exchange and cooperation. On April 1, 2015, the SPF merged with the Ocean Policy Research Foundation (OPRF) to make a fresh start as one of Japan's largest foundations with combined assets of 142.6 billion yen.

The OPRF was established in 1975 as the Japan Foundation for Shipbuilding Advancement with the aim of promoting Japan's shipbuilding and related industries. It subsequently expanded its activities to include research on general ocean affairs, and evolved itself as one of Japan's major think tanks promoting Japan's maritime policies and research on maritime security.

Given the stable base assets, the SPF, a foundation specializing on international issues, and the OPRF, a major think tank with proven track records specializing in maritime issues, will integrate and mutually complement each other's ability in order to identify Japan's current situation from a global perspective, compile recommendations on the nation's future direction and contribute to enhancing Japanese presence in the international community.

Blessed with private-sector flexibility, we will collaborate with other non-profit organizations, government offices, private enterprises and international organizations to strengthen our basis to work together and find solutions for issues around the world.

As we will be placed under greater accountability than ever before, we will continue to make efforts to have a strong sense of mission and responsibility. We would sincerely appreciate your continued support for the new SPF.

August 2015

Jiro Hanyu,

Chairman, Sasakawa Peace Foundation

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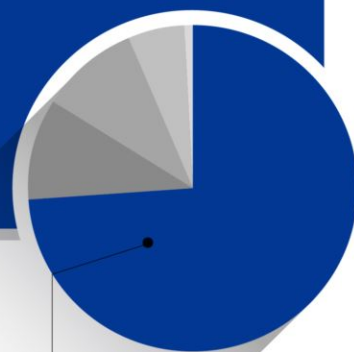
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Regular Projects

Facing the changing international situation, many countries are forced to build mobility with flexibility as well as enhanced expertise and close networks.

The SPF partners with countries including the United States and Asian neighbors in supporting initiatives designed to resolve global challenges such as peace building, security, emergency assistance, refugee issues and economic disparity. We actively promote international collaboration and exchange, while striving to come up with creative solutions. Our area of particular emphasis is Japan-U.S. exchange, based on the understanding that strong Japan-U.S. relations will lead to regional stability and prosperity. As a private-sector foundation, the SPF stays conscious about contributing to the formation of public opinions and policies from a long-term and a neutral perspective. We assist a diverse range of "people", "research" and "organizations" with the aim of building and strengthening the foundation of Japan-U.S. 'partnership' in dealing with world issues.



Total expenditure:
852,358,549yen

Number of projects implemented: **33**

Japan-U.S. Economic Forum

Japan-U.S. Project

Gathering of Japanese and U.S. top economic experts to build the next strategy

The Japan-U.S. Economic Forum gathers prominent economists and former senior government officials from both Japan and the United States to analyze economic issues confronting the two countries, explore their solutions, and contribute to the development of the next strategy for the governments and industries of Japan and the United States. Thorough discussions took place among 11 U.S. economics experts including Dr. Adam S. Posen, the President of the major think tank, Peterson Institute for International Economics, and 8 Japanese economic experts including Dr. Motoshige Itoh, Professor at the University of Tokyo and chairman of the Council on Economic and Fiscal Policy. Topics on the agenda for the first Forum session in June 2014 (in Washington DC) were (1) productivity slowdown, (2) long-term fiscal sustainability, (3) effectiveness of fiscal policies and public investment, (4) TPP negotiations and prospects, and (5) the future of monetary policies.

For the second session in December (in Tokyo), 9 Japanese economics experts whose expertise coincided with its themes were also invited as observers to participate in energetic discussions on (1) Abenomics, (2) TPP negotiations, (3) Bank of Japan's monetary policy, (4) energy policy, and (5) the outlook of the China's economy. Some of the topics were put to panel discussions open to the public.



Panel Discussion at the second session



A meeting for the economic expert at the second session



US Chair: Dr. Adam S. Posen The President of the PIIE



Japan Chair: Dr. Motoshige Itoh Professor at the University of Tokyo

Boosting Japan-U.S. relations and making world contributions from Washington DC

The Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA (SPFUSA), since its establishment in 1990 with grants from SPF, has been based in Washington D.C. and conducted various projects for the bilateral mutual understanding between Japan and the United States. Especially since 2008, when SPF launched the Japan- U.S. program, its role has become increasingly important as a U.S. counterpart. In May 2014, SPFUSA welcomed Admiral Dennis Blair, a former U.S. Director of National Intelligence and retired commander of U.S. forces in the Pacific region, to serve as its chairman to make a fresh start as a think tank specializing in Japan-U.S. affairs.

Through the projects designed to “enhance SPF’s think tank function in the United States” and “strengthen Japan-U.S. relations from the U.S. perspectives”, SPFUSA makes policy recommendations and dispatches new information concerning the Japan-U.S. relations to intensify the bilateral ties. By reinforcing its function, SPFUSA aims to become a hub for institutions dealing with Japan-U.S. relations.

In October 2014, SPFUSA’s operation focuses were defined by three fields: security, economy and common Japan-U.S. issues (democracy, science and technology, Myanmar). In each of these fields, visiting researchers conducted research, while experts mainly from Japan and the United States were invited for workshops and symposiums. As part of the exchange program, SPFUSA worked with the East West Center and the Pew Research Center to study the relationship of mutual dependence between Japan and the United States as well as Japanese public sentiments toward the United States and vice versa. The findings were presented at major U.S. cities in the spring of 2015 in an effort to appeal the importance of this bilateral ties.

SPF will continue to enhance SPFUSA’s think tank function and strengthen collaboration to complement the Japan-U.S. exchange program from both directions, thereby promoting mutual understanding and greater cooperation between the two countries.



Young security experts' delegation



Participants of the Democracy Workshop



Adm. Dennis Blair, SPFUSA chairman, gives a speech at the SPFUSA Security Forum



Democracy Workshop

Strengthening strategic thinking and building stronger collaboration of young experts

This project gathers young experts in the fields of diplomacy, security, economy, etc. from Japan, the United States and other countries to strengthen their strategic thinking, build up their leadership in a multilateral framework respecting democracy and reinforce mutual partnership.

In 2014, the final year of the three-year project, the Forum conducted a six-day wrap-up training in Tokyo where a total of 23 past participants joined from Japan, the United States, Indonesia, India, Europe, etc. The program prepared by a team led by Dr. Aaron L. Friedberg (Professor at Princeton University), Dr. Joshua W. Walker (German Marshall Fund USA (GMF)) and Mr. Zack Cooper (CSIS) involved simulation incorporating the elements of long-term national strategy development, resource distribution and crisis response. Participants also exchanged opinions with Japanese policy makers, U.S. Embassy and young Japanese researchers to deepen their understanding of Japan and Japan-U.S. relations. After the training, participants wrote papers under the theme of "Next generation's perspective on the future of regional security in Asia".



Participants of the training program in Tokyo



A simulation training program in Tokyo

Timely posting of ever-changing situations in regions of conflict

This project was launched to disseminate expert analysis and local information about regional conflicts and peacebuilding initiatives in Asia, as well as the voices of parties involved, to Japan and the rest of the world. Its objective is to develop better understanding of those conflicts and build a momentum toward peace.

In 2014, which is the second year of this three-year project, SPF revamped the contents of the "Asia Peacebuilding Initiatives" website designed to deliver information about the current status of regions in conflict and their efforts toward peace. Analysis on situations in Myanmar, southern Thailand and southern Philippines and articles concerning peacebuilding efforts (18 articles in total) were posted on the website. Four issues of the PDF-based magazine "P's Pod" were also issued in both Japanese and English.

In November, the project invited Mr. Min Ko Naing, Myanmar's leading democracy activist, for public lectures in Tokyo and Osaka to present live accounts of Myanmar's democracy movement in addition to online information delivery.



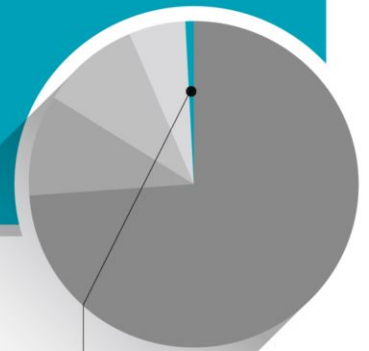
A seminar at Sophia University



Special lecture at Osaka University Nakanoshima Center



Mr. Min Ko Naing visiting the SPF



Since its establishment in 1989, the Sasakawa Pacific Island Nations Fund has facilitated various exchange projects and human resource development projects with Pacific island nations as Japan's important partners.

In recent years, the Fund has been focusing on projects in Micronesia, which has strong historical ties with Japan and is also geographically close to Japan.

Total expenditure:
7,075,594yen
Number of projects implemented: **1**

Supporting Maritime Security in the Sea Area of Micronesia

Contributing to the reinforcement of Micronesia's maritime security capacity

Three Micronesian countries form a vast Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) but are lacking in sufficient maritime management. In the "Maritime Security in the Sea Area of Micronesia" project, SPF is contributing to assuring the safety and conserving the environment of this region. In FY2014, the project undertook the on-the-job training of candidates for maritime law-enforcement officers in the Republic of Palau and on-site research in the Republic of the Marshall Islands. In Palau, SPF supported the local training (OJT at the Division of Marine Law Enforcement) on five candidates for maritime law-enforcement officers over a period of one year based on the "Plan for Improvement of the Coast Guard Capability of the Republic of Palau (Phase II)" signed in December 2013 between the Republic of Palau, Nippon Foundation, Japan Association of Marine Safety and SPF. In the Marshall Islands, SPF conducted a field study from May 27 to 30 in the capital Majuro and Ebeye Island (Kwajalein Atoll) to explore specific measures for reinforcing the country's future maritime security capabilities. Based on the findings of the study, the Nippon Foundation decided to provide the second small patrol boat.



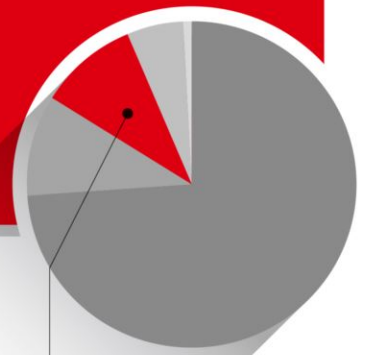
OJT for prospective maritime law-enforcement officers



OJT for prospective maritime law-enforcement officers



OJT for prospective maritime law-enforcement officers



The Sasakawa Japan-China Friendship Fund was established in 1989 with the aim of promoting permanent peace and mutual understanding between Japan and China. Under the policy of promoting understanding, fostering people and building up cooperation to create the future, the Fund has implemented future-oriented projects such as human exchange, research and human resource development as one of Japan's largest private-sector fund (10 billion yen) linking the two countries.

Total expenditure:
110,372,358yen
Number of projects implemented: **10**

Japan-China Dialogue on East China Sea Security / Facilitating Dialogue between Finance and Economy Experts from China and Japan

SPF's unique dialogue channel for alleviating tension and promoting cooperation

On the inter-governmental level, tension sometimes runs high between Japan and China. SPF has maintained and utilized its own private-sector dialogue channel that has been built over time to contribute to alleviating bilateral tension and promoting cooperation. The "Japan-China Dialogue on East China Sea Security" involves experts from both Japan and China examining safety measures for the sea area and airspace of the region, and communicates the findings in the forms of reports and conferences.

In FY2014, the project focused on measures of airspace safety. In October 2014, Japanese and Chinese experts in international law, law of the sea, aviation law and security met for the first joint forum on airspace safety in Beijing. At the same time, a symposium under the theme "The need for Japan-China Dialogue for Crisis Aversion in the East China Sea" was organized inviting 50 people including maritime safety experts from Chinese government bodies as well as media personnel. The two countries have continued to hold domestic study sessions before joining together in the second joint forum in Tokyo in February 2015 for exchanging opinions on the code of conduct, risk management and the recommendation report on building trust (a written proposal was released to the press in July of the same year).

In addition, when the "Facilitating Dialogue between Finance and Economy Experts from China and Japan" took place, officials and experts of Chinese Ministry of Finance, Development Research Center of the State Council, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, etc. visited Japan and met with the officials of the Japanese Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications and the Okinawa Prefectural Government with the aim of exchanging opinions and promoting policy cooperation on issues Japanese and Chinese policymakers are currently confronted with, including fiscal finances and regional revitalization.



Joint conference for the Japan-China Dialogue on the Security of East China Sea



Public Symposium for the Japan-China Dialogue on the Security of East China Sea



Press conference for the Japan-China Dialogue on the Security of East China Sea

Improving the environment to build better understanding of Japan by the Chinese people.

In order to address the lack of objective information about each other, which is one of the factors that inhibit mutual understanding between Japan and China, SPF is actively delivering information that help Chinese people understand Japan.

Each year, SPF translates and publishes a selection of good contemporary Japanese books in China with the cooperation of several Chinese publishers. These books in a series are sold commercially and also donated to over 100 universities by a partnering publisher. In FY2014, which is the first year of Phase II, the project translated and published 15 books including "Japan's Political History: Diplomacy and Power", "Post-War Japanese Perception of China" and "Japanese Gardens --- History of Spatial Beauty". On February 4 to 7, 2015, 12 chief editors from Chinese publishers were invited to Japan to visit Japanese publishers and attend an opinion exchange session with their counterparts.

Inviting China's influential bloggers and magazine reporters is another effort for transmitting information toward China. It made possible to present the current state of Japan, through the eyes of young bloggers and reporters in a candid manner, to the Chinese audience and also to open special pages about Japan on influential Chinese websites.



Chinese homepage for the Sasakawa Japan-China Friendship Fund



Popular Chinese bloggers visit the Japan Ground Self-Defense Force Public Information Center

Training Project for Chinese Community Leaders

Conveying Japanese experiences and know-how

In order to overcome common challenges such as the environment, emergency preparedness and aging society, SPF assists the activities to convey Japanese experiences and know-how to China so that in the future, Japan and China could explore the solutions together hand-in-hand.

For example, community leaders of China's Fujian Province were invited to Japan to undergo a training designed to build up skills of community development leaders in China and promote greater understanding of Japan. In FY2014, which is the final year of this three-year project, 12 community leaders from Fujian's Fuzhou and surrounding cities were invited to Japan from February 8 to 12, 2015 for a training in Miyagi Prefecture and Tokyo, covering topics such as Japan's neighborhood association system, emergency preparedness, waste processing and elderly care. In Miyagi Prefecture, the participants networked with municipal officials of Sendai City to learn about their experiences from the Great East Japan Earthquake, local emergency preparedness measures and administration of evacuation centers. They also visited the quake-devastated communities in Higashi Matsushima City guided by people who experienced the disaster. In Tokyo, the participants visited Chuo Ward's waste incineration plant and elderly care homes and raised their enthusiasm toward contributing to community development in China.



Visiting Sendai City



Visiting the waste disposal center in Tokyo

Training Program for Japanese Language Learners from Western China Phase II / Japan-China Opinion Leader Dialogue / Japan-China Young Historians Seminar

Rebuilding the Japan-China relations from the private sector

The Japan-China relations are described to be at the worst level since the normalization of the bilateral diplomatic ties, with growing exaggerated negative image among each general public. In an effort to explore ways of rebuilding the bilateral relations from the private-sector level, SPF has launched several projects in order to provide favorable conditions for mutual understanding.

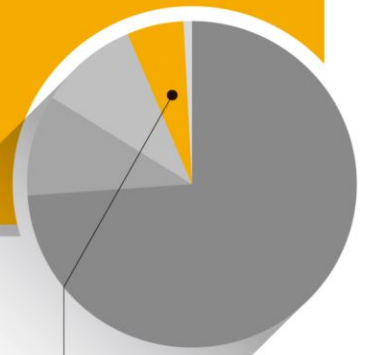
The "Training Program for Japanese Language Learners from Western China Phase II" project offers the opportunity of language training in Japan to high-achievers of Japanese language at universities in western China, who are otherwise left with little opportunities for exchanges with Japan. The "Japan-China Opinion Leader Dialogue" arranges mutual visits, dialogues and exchanges between Japanese and Chinese groups of influential experts and academics on domestic issues. The "Japan-China Young Historians Seminar" offers opportunities of exchange and networking to young researchers of modern and contemporary East Asian history in Japan and China. With protracted confrontation between Japan and China, the project provides a channel of private-sector dialogues separate from the politics.



Public Symposium, Japan-China Opinion Leader Dialogue



Language training in Japan for learners from Western China



Total expenditure:
65,714,582yen
Number of projects implemented: **5**

The Sasakawa Middle East Islam Fund was established in 2009 with the aim of promoting mutual exchange and understanding between Japan and the Middle East.

In view of Japan's heavy reliance on external energy resources, it is important to contribute to the peace and stability of this region. At the same time, it is equally important to build a relationship that extends beyond mere trading necessity. From this perspective, SPF implements multi-faceted exchange projects for construction of deeper and long-term relations of trust with the Middle East. There is also an initiative for knowledge and policy exchange designed to study and establish in-depth understanding of the ever-changing Middle East and international conditions from a global point of view.

Human Resource Development and Exchange Program between Japan and Iran

Intensifying exchange by inviting Iran's prospective diplomats and researchers

SMEF carried out the following projects to promote mutual exchange between Japan and Middle East's major power, Iran. From September 30 to October 1, 2014, five experts from the Institute for Political and International Studies (IPIS) affiliated with Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs were invited for "The Fourth Japan-Iran Conference" to discuss Iran's diplomatic policy and Japan's roles. From November 30 to December 8, 10 future prospective diplomats and a teaching staff from Iran's School of International Relations were invited to Japan to attend lectures at Tokai University, and to network with its students. They also visited cultural facilities and went on a study trip in the Kansai region. SPF also organized a seminar on April 3 to commemorate the visit of H.E. Dr. Masoumeh Ebtekar, Vice President of Iran and Head of Environmental Protection Organization, who gave a lecture titled "Iran in the Moderation Era –Political course of Rouhani administration". Another public lecture titled "Iran, the United States and Iran's Foreign Policy - After Geneva Agreement" was held on June 5 inviting Dr. Haleh Esfandiari, a former Director of the Middle East Program of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.



H.E. Dr. Masoumeh Ebtekar, Vice President of Iran and Head of Environmental Protection Organization,



A lecture by Professor Mostafa Zahrani, Director General of IPIS



Dr. Haleh Esfandiari, former Director of the Middle East Program of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

Assisting the development of researchers with a global perspective

SPF runs a fellowship project which sends young researchers from Japan and the UK to the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies (SIAS), University of Oxford, with the aim of fostering researchers of the Middle East who are capable of analyzing the relationship of the Middle East and the international community from global perspectives. Under the project, young researchers with different research techniques learn from each other in conducting joint studies. In FY2014, one candidate from Japan, Dr. Sachiko Hosoya (bioethics in Iran), part-time researcher at Toho University, and two candidates from the U.K., Dr. Mona Tajali (gender, religion and democracy in the Middle East) and Dr. Sahar Maranlou (gender, human rights and Islamic Law in the Middle East) of Oxford University, were selected as fellows. They are conducting joint research under the theme of "Empowerment in the Middle East", making use of trainings at Oxford University and conducting on-site surveys in the Middle East. Upon completing the fellowship program in September 2015, they are due to release their research outcome in papers and give result presentation seminars.



SPF fellows at University of Oxford

Information Analysis of the Political Situation in the Middle East

Developing better understanding on political changes in the Middle East

In order to deepen public understanding of turbulent situations in the Middle East since the "Arab Spring", SPF has invited experts from overseas for seminars and study forums. In FY2014, the final year of the three-year program, a summary meeting was convened to recapitulate the culmination of three-year studies on political changes in the Middle East. Professor Eiji Nagasawa of the University of Tokyo and Professor Hirota Watanabe of the Tokyo University of Foreign Studies were invited to the preparatory meeting on October 21 to have a discussion on the agenda and the selection of participants from overseas. The summary meeting was held on February 9, 2015, inviting two guest researchers from overseas (Professor Miller, Doha Campus of Georgetown University and Lecturer Simon Waldman of King's College). During the event, a conference and research forum under the title "Outlook of political changes in the Middle East: End of the Arab Spring and beyond" were held and discussions at the conference were posted on the Sasakawa Middle East Islam Fund's website. On February 10, a seminar on political changes in the Middle East was held in Osaka, contributing to the promotion of public understanding about the Middle East in regional areas of Japan.



"Outlook of political changes in the Middle East: End of the Arab Spring and beyond"

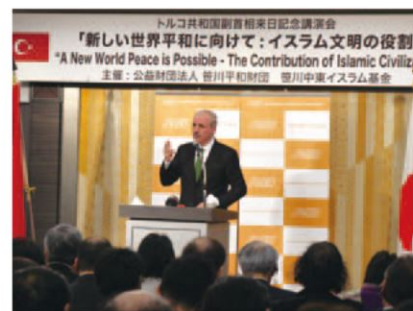


Lecturer, Dr. Simon Waldman, King's College

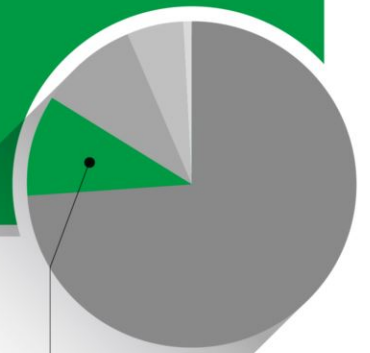
Deepening Mutual Understanding between Japan and the Middle East

Disseminating latest information from the Middle East and promoting public understanding of the region

By organizing lecture sessions in Japan with the support of the Middle East diplomatic corps based in Japan and also arranging seminars in the Middle East, SPF continued with its efforts to disseminate information in both directions to promote mutual understanding. On September 5, 2014, H.E. Mr. Hisham El-Zimaity, Ambassador of the Arab Republic of Egypt in Japan spoke in a public seminar titled "Egypt's political prospects in an unstable Middle East". SPF also held three seminars on the Middle East situations. The first session on April 15, whose theme was on "Turkish Foreign Policy toward the Crimean & Syrian Crises", invited H. E. Mr. Volkan Bozkir, Member of Turkish Parliament and the Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of Turkish Parliament as the guest speaker. The second session on September 12, was on "Russian Perspective on Syria, Iraq and the Middle East", inviting Dr. Alexander Shumilin, Director of the Center for the Great Middle East Conflicts at the Institute for the USA & Canada Studies (ISKRAN), Russian Academy of Sciences. The third session on March 16, 2015, titled "A New World is Possible: The Contribution of Islamic Civilization", was held to commemorate the visit of H.E. Dr. Numan Kurtulmuş, Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey to Japan. His lecture resulted in a great contribution in promoting a better understanding of the Middle East by the Japanese audience.



H.E. Dr. Numan Kurtulmuş,
Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey



Total expenditure:
116,868,279yen
 Number of projects implemented: **10**

Originally established as the Sasakawa Southeast Asia Cooperation Fund in 1992, primarily targeting Southeast Asia, the organization was renamed as the Sasakawa Pan Asia Fund in 2002 to also cover East Asia and South Asia. The Fund operates in the fields of people-to-people exchange, human resource development and policy research with the aim of promoting mutual understanding between Japan and other Asian countries, developing intraregional cooperation by applying Japan’s knowledge and experience and reinforcing the basis for cooperation with Japan toward regional stability.

Promoting Japan-Asia Relations: An Opinion Leaders’ Exchange

Promoting exchange between Japan and other Asian countries

In order to promote people-to-people exchange, deepen mutual understanding between Japan and Asian countries and strengthen cooperative framework, SPF launched a new project in FY2014 to invite Asian opinion leaders to Japan.

In FY2014, the project invited H.E. Dr. Surin Pitsuwan, the former Secretary-General of the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) (October) and Dr. Oyun Sanjaasuren, a former Minister of Environment and Green Development of Mongolia (February 2015). In addition to the SPF-organized seminar (Tokyo), H.E. Dr. Surin Pitsuwan gave a keynote speech at Akita International University, and visited Ishinomaki City where he had personally been involved in volunteer activities immediately after the Great East Japan Earthquake and observed the extent of reconstruction first hand.

Dr. Oyun Sanjaasuren, who is highly inclined to environmental issues, visited the Ministry of the Environment, the Isogo Thermal Power Station, and an incineration facility in Nose Town, Osaka, etc. She also met with Ms. Yuko Obuchi, a Japanese Lower House member and Ms. Mariko Bando, the President of Showa Women’s University, to discuss women’s participation in society.



H. E. Dr. Surin Pitsuwan, the former Secretary-General of ASEAN



Dr. Oyun Sanjaasuren, former Minister of Environment and Green Development of Mongolia

Contributing to peace and stability of the Asian region by promoting military exchanges

Tension between countries is running high in East China Sea and South China Sea in the Asian region, where countries have different geographical and historical backgrounds as well as each distinct view on security. SPF offers the framework of exchange between current and retired defense officials from Japan and Asian countries to promote mutual understanding and develop trust in the field of security, thereby bringing peace and stability in the region.

In FY2014, the first year of the 3-year program, SPF organized exchange of retired Generals with South Korea and exchange of current field officers with Vietnam, and arranged visits of Korean and Vietnamese groups of officials to Japan. From October 28 to 31, eight members of the Korea Retired Generals and Admirals Association visited Japan, making a courtesy call to high-ranking officials of Japanese Ministry of Defense and Self-Defense Forces, exchanging opinions with retired SDF Generals and visiting the Ground Self-Defense Force Fuji School. From November 30 to December 6, a delegation of 14 active field officers from the People's Army of Vietnam headed by a Vietnamese General arrived in Japan to receive training at the Ministry of Defense and Ground, Maritime and Air Self-Defense Forces, while also visiting the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park, Kyoto and Nara in their spare time to familiarize themselves with Japanese history and cultures.



Visiting Base Kure, JMSDF



Visiting Camp Itami, JGSDF

Deepening the Japan-India Partnership

Joint research for establishing stronger cooperation between Japan and India

There is a need to strengthen cooperative ties between Japan and India by advocating special strategic and global partnership. This project facilitates joint research by experts from the two countries on economy, diplomacy / security, energy and global governance, i.e. the four fields of particular significance for Japan-Indian relations, in order to build a human network and strengthen cooperation between the two countries. As the outcome of the joint research, comprehensive policy recommendations for further evolution of Japan-India relations are to be presented.

Activities in the first year of this 2-year project included a joint research workshop attended by Japanese and Indian researchers at the United Nations University in Tokyo on October 13 and 14, 2014, holding active and multi-faceted discussions on the reinforcement of Japan-India relations. This workshop had not only prominent researchers but also young researchers from the two countries to play central roles, contributing to the development of a network of researchers who will drive the future of the respective countries. Based on discussions made at the workshop, participating researchers plan to engage in further joint research and write research papers. A collection of the research papers including policy recommendations is to be released next year.



Participants for a joint research workshop



Joint research workshop

Myanmar projects

Supporting human resource development of Myanmar in its historic transition

Myanmar is undergoing rapid democratization and economic reform. SPF has offered a variety of assistance to foster human resources that can support the development of Myanmar at this time of historic transition. Three projects were carried out in FY2014 contributing to the human resource development of bureaucrats to become capable of working in the international arena. The first was the "Capacity Enhancement of Organizational Management in Myanmar" project based on the understanding that the development of excellent future leaders was the country's urgent task. SPF conducted a bidirectional training on organizational management with focus on efficiency and governance which received high praise from inside and outside the country. The "Capacity Enhancement to Acquire Interpretation Method for the Aim of Introducing New Teaching Methods into Universities in Myanmar" project applied interpreter training know-how which SPF had developed in the past while assisting the country in preparation for ASEAN presidency. The project contributed to Myanmar's internationalization by spreading the methodology for training interpreters. The "Strengthening Global Human Resource Development in Myanmar" project extended assistance to Shiga University to share Japanese experiences on policy development, etc. with Myanmar's bureaucrats under the keywords: local economic policy and international partnership in Japan.



Training program for interpreters



Organizational management training

Project List for 2014

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| Regular Projects | | | | | | | |
| Efforts to Ensure Peace and Security in the International Community [Peace Building and Security Issues] | | | | | | | |
| | Building a Framework for Japan-UK Security Cooperation | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 14,804,118 | 1/1 | |
| | Empowering Civil Society in Southern Thailand Through Regional Partnership | The Jakarta Legal Aid Institute | Indonesia | Grant | 13,171,021 | 3/3 | |
| | Conflict Transformation in Southern Thailand | King Prajadhipok's Institute | Thailand | Grant | 8,110,334 | 2/2 | |
| | Asia Peacebuilding Web Initiatives | Osaka University | Japan | Grant | 10,400,000 | 2/3 | P06 |
| | A New Strategy for U.S., Japanese, and Asian Energy Security: Adapting to an Energy Abundant U.S. | Trade, Economic, and Energy Affairs, The National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR) | U.S.A. | Grant | 19,041,224 | 2/2 | |
| | U.S.-Japan Relations and Southeast Asia | The East-West Center | U.S.A. | Grant | 18,039,457 | 2/3 | |
| | Creating Multi-Track Communication for Peace Process in Southern Thailand | Deep South Watch | Thailand | Grant | 13,133,999 | 2/3 | |
| | Peace Education for Conflict Management by Local Communities in Southern Thailand | Berghof Foundation Operations GmbH | Germany | Grant | 11,116,752 | 2/3 | |
| | The Asia-Pacific Leadership Network for Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament(APLN) 2014 Conference | The Australian National University | Australia | Grant | 8,958,666 | 1/1 | |
| Efforts to Ensure Peace and Security in the International Community [Non-Traditional Security Issues] | | | | | | | |
| | Toward a Better Resettlement Program in Japan | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 8,657,324 | 1/3 | |
| | Strategic Assistance: Disaster Relief and Asia-Pacific Security | Politics and Security Affairs, The National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR) | U.S.A. | Grant | 14,603,065 | 2/2 | |
| | Japan-U.S. Civil-Military Disaster Preparedness Initiative | Peace Winds America | U.S.A. | Grant | 15,795,336 | 2/2 | |
| | Toward Enhancement of Asia Pacific Alliance for Disaster Management | Asia Pacific Alliance for Disaster Management | Japan | Grant | 15,000,000 | 2/3 | |
| | Protection of Refugees in Asia and the Role of Japan | Forum for Refugees Japan | Japan | Grant | 0 | 1/3 | |
| | Action Research toward Better Protection of Refugees in Asia | Asia Pacific Refugee Rights Network (APRRN) | Thailand | Grant | 6,353,320 | 1/1 | |
| Addressing Positive and Negative Aspects of Globalization [Market and Disparities Issues] | | | | | | | |
| | BOP Products Incubation by Social Entrepreneurs | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 15,587,031 | 2/3 | |
| Promotion of Mutual Understanding between Priority Regions and Japan [Exchange Program between Japan and The United States] | | | | | | | |
| | Research Project on Future Japan-U.S. Security Cooperation | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 64,272,614 | 3/5 | |
| | Japan-U.S. Economic Forum | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 48,362,789 | 2/4 | P04 |
| | Japan-US Opinion Leaders' Dialogue III | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 56,685,096 | 1/3 | |
| | Strengthening U.S.-Japan Initiative on Common Policy Issues | Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars | U.S.A. | Grant | 23,863,918 | 3/3 | |
| | Young Strategists Forum | The German Marshall Fund (GMF) of the United States | U.S.A. | Grant | 18,107,564 | 3/3 | P06 |
| | New Channels: Reinvigorating U.S.-Japan Relations | Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center, Stanford University | U.S.A. | Grant | 22,004,098 | 2/3 | |
| | Japan Update Through Japan-America Societies | National Association of Japan-America Societies, Inc.(NAJAS) | U.S.A. | Grant | 16,950,551 | 2/3 | |
| | US-Japan Young Strategists' Dialogue | American Academy of Strategic Education (Long Term Strategy Group) | U.S.A. | Grant | 19,212,968 | 2/3 | |
| | Sasakawa Peace Foundation Fellowship Program | Pacific Forum CSIS | U.S.A. | Grant | 15,712,449 | 2/3 | |
| | Japan-U.S. Research Program on Security Issues | Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA | U.S.A. | Grant | 62,771,975 | 1/1 | |
| | Rebalancing at Home and Abroad: Sequestration, the "Pivot," and the Future of the U.S.-Japan Alliance | Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments (CSBA) | U.S.A. | Grant | 18,579,437 | 1/1 | |
| | After the Disaster: Rebuilding Lives and Communities in Fukushima | San Francisco State University | U.S.A. | Grant | 7,212,706 | 1/1 | |
| | Enriching the US-Japan Exchange Program | Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA | U.S.A. | Grant | 108,989,711 | 1/1 | |
| | U.S.-Japan Diversity in Leadership Program | U.S.-Japan Council | U.S.A. | Grant | 11,500,914 | 1/1 | |
| | Development of the SPF-USA Think-Tank Function | Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA | U.S.A. | Grant | 40,368,363 | 1/1 | P05 |
| | New Voices from Japan: Capacity Strengthening through US-Visits for Young Researchers | The Social Science Research Council (SSRC) | U.S.A. | Grant | 11,350,212 | 1/3 | |
| | Strengthening the US-Japan Relationship from US Perspectives | Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA | U.S.A. | Grant | 113,641,537 | 1/1 | P05 |

| The Sasakawa Pacific Island Nations Fund | | | | | | | |
|---|--|-------------------------------|-------|---------------|-----------|-----|-----|
| Cooperation for Peace and Solidarity between Maritime States [Maritime Management in the Micronesian Region] | | | | | | | |
| | Supporting Maritime Security in the Sea Area of Micronesia | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 7,075,594 | 2/3 | P07 |

| Program | Project Name | Implementing Agency | Location | Type | Budget (yen) | Year | Page |
|---|--|---|----------|---------------|--------------|------|------|
| The Sasakawa Japan-China Friendship Fund | | | | | | | |
| Personnel Exchange and Dialogue | | | | | | | |
| | Training Program for Japanese Language Learners from Western China Phase II | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 18,945,327 | 1/3 | P09 |
| | Invitation Program for Chinese Magazine Journalists | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 5,986,992 | 1/2 | P09 |
| | Invitation Program for Popular Chinese Bloggers | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 5,812,023 | 1/2 | P09 |
| | Japan-China Dialogue on East China Sea Security | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 11,249,823 | 1/3 | P08 |
| | Facilitating Dialogue between Finance and Economy Experts from China and Japan | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 6,326,600 | 1/1 | P08 |
| Information Sharing and Groundwork Activities for Mutual Understanding | | | | | | | |
| | Website for Dissemination of Information Phase II | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 8,406,742 | 1/5 | P09 |
| | Book Translation and Publication Project for Understanding Contemporary Japan Phase II | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 27,703,309 | 1/5 | P09 |
| | Japan-China Young Historians Seminar | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 13,749,564 | 1/2 | P09 |
| | Japan-China Opinion Leader Dialogue | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 7,730,441 | 1/3 | P09 |
| Cooperation for Social and Economic Development | | | | | | | |
| | Training Project for Chinese Community Leaders | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 4,461,537 | 3/3 | P09 |
| The Sasakawa Middle East Islam Fund | | | | | | | |
| Disseminating Information from Japan | | | | | | | |
| | Deepening Mutual Understanding between Japan and the Middle East | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 3,631,987 | 2/3 | P11 |
| People Exchange | | | | | | | |
| | Human Resource Development and Exchange Program between Japan and Iran | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 19,711,118 | 2/3 | P10 |
| | Promoting Mutual Understanding between East and West Asia | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 24,737,545 | 1/1 | |
| Analysis of the Political Situation in the Middle East | | | | | | | |
| | Information Analysis of the Political Situation in the Middle East | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 8,604,364 | 3/3 | P11 |
| | UK-Japan Research Consortium: Foundation for Original, Team-Based Research in the Modern Middle East | The School of Inter-disciplinary Area Studies, University of Oxford | UK | Grant | 9,029,568 | 1/2 | P11 |
| The Sasakawa Pan Asia Fund | | | | | | | |
| Promotion of Regional Collaboration | | | | | | | |
| | Support for Science Journalists in Asia | World Federation of Science Journalists (WFSJ) | Canada | Grant | 14,684,085 | 2/3 | |
| Support to Prioritized Countries [Support to CLMV Countries] | | | | | | | |
| | Capacity Enhancement of Organizational Management in Myanmar | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 21,948,853 | 3/3 | P13 |
| Support to Prioritized Countries [Support to South Asia] | | | | | | | |
| | India Japan Strategic Dialogue Project | Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) | India | Grant | 6,198,361 | 2/3 | |
| Promotion of Further Mutual Understanding | | | | | | | |
| | Promoting Japan-Asia Relations: An Opinion Leaders' Exchange | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 11,987,649 | 1/3 | P12 |
| | Deepening the Japan-India Partnership | United Nations University | Japan | Grant | 9,968,955 | 1/2 | P13 |
| Commitment to Sustainable Development | | | | | | | |
| | The Introduction of Japanese-style KOSEN (College of Industrial Technology) Education in Mongolia | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 13,565,406 | 1/3 | |
| | Capacity Enhancement to Acquire Interpretation Method for the Aim of Introducing New Teaching Methods into Universities in Myanmar | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 9,651,885 | 1/1 | P13 |
| | Asian Renaissance 2.0: Empowering Asian Democracy | Institute for Policy Research | Malaysia | Grant | 4,732,353 | 1/1 | |
| | Strengthening Global Human Resource Development in Myanmar | National University Corporation SHIGA University | Japan | Grant | 9,048,329 | 1/1 | P13 |
| Contribution to Regional Stability | | | | | | | |
| | Security Dialogues and Defense Exchanges between Japan and Asian Countries | The Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Japan | Self-Operated | 15,082,403 | 1/3 | P13 |

The Ocean Policy Research Foundation (OPRF)

now the  THE OCEAN POLICY RESEARCH INSTITUTE

The Ocean Policy Research Foundation (OPRF), predecessor of the Ocean Policy Research Institute, launched its think-tank activities in 2000 to conduct research on ocean policy, provide policy recommendations and disseminate information with an aim to promote 'Co-existence between Man and the Ocean.' It also played a major role in realizing the enactment of the Basic Act on Ocean Policy in 2007. The Foundation continues to actively participate in international conferences and discussions on ocean governance, and to carry out think-tank activities to materialize and promote implementation of the twelve Basic Measures set out in the Basic Act on Ocean Policy.

1. Research projects concerning comprehensive ocean management

1 Establishing and promoting comprehensive ocean policy

OPRF studied and analyzed other countries' advanced initiatives on ocean policy, as well as examining policy structures, legal systems and promotion measures for the comprehensive management of the oceans and coastal zones, and issued policy recommendations on the promotion of integrated coastal management (ICM). It also actively participated in international conferences and projects on ocean related issues to gather information, exchange opinions and give presentations so as to disseminate and advance Japan's ocean policy.

2 Promoting sustainable development of islands and their surrounding ocean areas

OPRF held international seminars with relevant organizations and discussed its new international joint policy proposal, 'For the Better Conservation and Management of Islands and their Surrounding Ocean Areas' to further materialize policy for the sustainable development of islands and their surrounding ocean areas. It participated in the third meeting of the International Conference on Small Island Developing States (SIDS 2014), at which it presented a policy proposal as a contributing document, and organized a side event to launch the international collaboration network, 'Islands and Oceans Net.'



Launching the Islands and Oceans Net at SIDS2014



Policy proposal for greater partnership between island nations and the international community

2. Research projects concerning integrated coastal management

1 Implementing integrated coastal management

OPRF supported voluntary initiatives for integrated coastal management in model sites (Shima City, Bizen City, Obama City, Miyako City, Sukumo Bay). It also held symposiums to introduce model sites' initiatives as well as training sessions for developing human resources of local governments, while promoting the development of inter-site networks, producing reference video materials and conducting hearings in model sites in an effort to facilitate integrated coastal management.

2 Introducing integrated coastal management education

OPRF carried out various activities such as offering advice for the implementation of comprehensive ocean and coastal management education programs under the consortium of five Shikoku-region universities, assisting in developing and testing the online class program of the Open University, and proposing the curriculum for integrated coastal management education in the process of designing a new maritime course at Iwate University. It also drafted the "Introduction to Integrated Coastal Management," an introductory textbook for integrated coastal management.



Network conference of local government officials



Ago Bay, Shima City, undergoing revitalization as a new 'Satoumi'

3. Ocean education and HR development projects in ocean-related fields

1 Initiatives for strengthening ocean education in the Japanese school system (Nippon Foundation's maritime education promotion program)

OPRF has drawn up a strategy for strengthening ocean education and compiled a proposal suggesting 'the need for defining and placing ocean education in the General Curriculum Guidelines.' At the same time, we made efforts to meet various conditions stated in the proposal in cooperation with other related organizations in order to carry out the strategy. As an external support organization necessary for ocean education, OPRF also examined ocean education in the context of social education and laid out the directions it should take.

2 Promoting international cooperation and exchanges in ocean related fields

OPRF selects a group of people involved in maritime administration from various countries mainly in the Asia Pacific region to attend the World Maritime University (WMU) as Sasakawa Fellows, providing the opportunity to learn about maritime affairs and cultivate an international perspective. It also strengthened operations of the human network, 'Friends of WMU Japan,' an alumni association of the program, by issuing newsletters and upgrading its website, contributing to promoting international cooperation and human exchange.



Spreading and promoting ocean studies to learn about, protect, and utilize oceans



Welcome ceremony for Sasakawa Fellows at WMU

4. Ocean information outreach

1 Publishing its Newsletter and organizing the Ocean Forum

OPRF issued the 'Ocean Newsletter' as a vehicle to promote comprehensive discussions on various issues concerning oceans. It also organized the Ocean Forum to help build a network of people involved in ocean affairs, with the objective of boosting public interest and knowledge about ocean issues and sharing / exchanging information and opinions.

2 White Paper on the Oceans and Ocean Policy 2015

OPRF issued the White Paper on the Oceans and Ocean Policy 2015 and distributed it to Diet members, relevant government offices, universities / educational institutions, research institutions, media organizations, libraries, etc., while also making it available for purchase at bookstores nationwide. Part I of the White Paper on the Oceans 2015 described recent notable activities in five areas, with an emphasis on initiatives set out in the new Basic Plan on Ocean Policy (approved by the Cabinet in April 2013) for development of 'an ocean state,' thereby providing materials for identifying and understanding the overall picture of Japan's ocean policy and future tasks to be dealt with.



Ocean Forum offering current ocean themes



Whitepaper on Oceans 2015 and the Ocean Newsletter

5. Other ocean policy research projects

1 Promotion of the Basic Act on Ocean Policy

Non-partisan Diet members, maritime affairs experts and relevant government offices worked together to continue promoting initiatives for achieving 'a new ocean state.' OPRF worked to ensure the implementation of the main measures of the new Basic Plan on Ocean Policy and contributed to its steady promotion.

2 Climate change and OPK (Ocean Peace Keeping)

OPRF organized a research conference, inviting global environment researchers and those involved in maritime defense. It conducted research abroad in areas where climate change had a significant effect on the security environment, analyzed security threats, and at the same time considered OPK countermeasures.

3 Research on the Arctic Ocean and the Northern Sea Route

OPRF organized an international seminar for discussing stable commercial use of the Northern Sea Route, and offered a variety of up-to-date information. In the research project on Arctic research vessels for international joint research, OPRF re-examined the significance of building an Arctic research vessel and its requirements, navigation areas and weather / maritime / ice conditions. It compiled basic specifications and plans, and estimated the cost of shipbuilding, and methods of operation and management after launching of the ship as well as its running costs. In the research project on the effect of black smoke emissions from vessels, OPRF carried out a simulation on the effects of black smoke on local weather, health and ecosystems. Estimating the ratio of contribution of black smoke emitted from artificial sources, it identified the smoke-mitigating technologies suitable for actual conditions and explored the possibility of building a regulatory framework.



Ocean Policy Basic Act Strategy Forum involving a variety of experts



Winner of the 7th National Maritime Award

History of OPRF

| | |
|---------------|--|
| Dec. 18, 1975 | Founded as the Japan Foundation for Shipbuilding Advancement |
| Apr. 1, 1976 | Commenced management and technology analysis activities and management seminars for small and medium-sized shipbuilding and related industries |
| Apr. 15, 1977 | Began financing activities for non-profit organizations |
| Jul. 1, 1980 | Began R&D into ocean oil pollution prevention measures and marine environment technology |
| Apr. 1, 1981 | Began R&D into shipbuilding and related technologies |
| Apr. 1, 1983 | Began activities to promote international exchanges and cooperation in the area of shipbuilding and transport |
| Apr. 1, 1989 | Began activities related to development of CIM for the shipbuilding industry |
| Sep. 10, 1990 | Changed its name from Japan Foundation for Shipbuilding Advancement to the Ship & Ocean Foundation (SOF) |
| Apr. 1, 1991 | Began information gathering activities on overseas shipbuilding and started overseas cooperative operations |
| Jun. 16, 1992 | Completed development of the world's first super-conducting MHD-propulsion ship, YAMATO-1, and made a successful test voyage at Kobe Port |
| Apr. 1, 1993 | Began joint research into the development of the Northern Sea Route (INSROP) |
| Apr. 1, 2000 | Began a Think Tank Project for ocean affairs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities related to forming researcher networks • Activities related to the preparation of policy proposals • Activities related to international cooperation |
| Jul. 20, 2000 | Launched the "Ship and Ocean Newsletter" |
| Apr. 1, 2001 | Took over administration of the WMU Sasakawa Fellowship Program from the Tokyo Foundation |
| Apr. 1, 2002 | Founded the Institute for Ocean Policy within SOF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research on the monitoring of semi-enclosed seas and bays (Ocean Diagnosis Project) • Research on comprehensive ocean policies • Research on securing the oceans |
| Nov. 1, 2002 | Held 1st Ocean Forum |
| Feb. 2004 | Publication of the first Ocean White Paper |
| Apr. 1, 2005 | The Ship & Ocean Foundation took as its operating name, the Ocean Policy Research Foundation, to carry out research in the fields of ocean policy, maritime transport, security studies, coastal management, marine environment, marine education, and maritime technology |
| Nov. 2005 | Compiled "The Proposal for the 21st Century Ocean Policy" |
| Apr. 2006 | Began serving as the secretariat of the Basic Act on Ocean Policy Study Group, consisting of experts from the political, academic and government ministry sectors |
| Dec. 2006 | Compiled "The Ocean Policy Outline" and "Basic Ocean Law Outline" at the Basic Ocean Law Forum |
| Jul. 2008 | Officially granted special consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council |
| Apr. 2013 | The Ship & Ocean Foundation (SOF) shifted its legal status to that of a General Incorporated Foundation. |
| Jul. 2014 | Received the Seventh National Maritime Award in the "Special Contribution to Marine-Based Development of Japan" category |
| Apr. 1, 2015 | Merged with the Sasakawa Peace Foundation (SPF), while continuing previous activities under the new name of Ocean Policy Research Institute, SPF. |

OPRF Project List for 2014

| Category | Project Name | Implementation Party | Project Cost (yen) | Page |
|--|--|---|---------------------|------|
| Ocean-related Projects | | | | |
| Projects Funded by the Nippon Foundation | Research project on compiling and promoting comprehensive ocean policies | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 14,401,774 | P16 |
| | Research project on the promotion of sustainable development of islands and their surrounding oceans | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 9,299,887 | P16 |
| | Creative research project | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 6,007,742 | |
| | Project for issuing Newsletter and organizing Ocean Forums, etc. | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 33,407,063 | P17 |
| | Project for publishing the Ocean White Paper | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 4,482,574 | P17 |
| | Ocean policy outreach project | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 1,991,488 | |
| | Research project on implementing the integrated coastal management model | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 14,106,539 | P16 |
| | Research project on introducing integrated coastal management education | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 2,323,327 | |
| | Project for expanding ocean education in Japanese school education system (Nippon Foundation Ocean Education Promotion Program) | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 6,337,287 | P17 |
| Voluntary Projects | Project for promoting the Basic Act on Ocean Policy | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 1,168,524 | P17 |
| | Project for promoting ocean policies, etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Climate change and OPK : Initiative for stabilizing the changing maritime security environment •Project for supporting and promoting exchanges on ocean safety and security •Project for promoting ocean policy studies | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 34,897,811 | |
| Ocean Affairs Projects | | | | |
| Projects Funded by the Nippon Foundation | Project for promoting international cooperation in ocean affairs | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 160,686,476 | P17 |
| | Project for developing Japan's strategy to utilize the Northern Sea Route | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 37,500,643 | |
| | Research project on arctic research vessels for international joint research | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 20,787,869 | |
| | Research project on black carbon from vessels traveling the Northern Sea Route | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 22,290,767 | P17 |
| Voluntary Projects | Project for promoting marine industries, etc. | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 90,676,066 | |
| Fund Projects | Project for promoting international exchange and international partnerships in the fields of shipbuilding and associated transportation | | (Total 70,734,822) | |
| | 1. Inviting key persons in ocean affairs | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 8,229,754 | |
| | 2. Seminars on various countries' overseas shipping policies, etc. | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 5,241,510 | |
| | 3. Organizing ship operation technology seminars on the Northern Sea Route | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 5,795,638 | |
| | 4. Applying Japan's emergency preparedness and mitigation initiatives against tsunami, high tides, etc. to ASEAN countries | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 3,780,798 | |
| | 5. Workshops for establishing next-generation AIS international standards | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 4,881,497 | |
| | 6. Coordinating and strengthening the enforcement of maritime laws concerning illicit drugs trade in the Asia Pacific region | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 7,517,860 | |
| | 7. Organizing an experts conference for building a global system for marine observation and monitoring | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 6,470,386 | |
| | 8. Gathering and disseminating ocean-related information | Ocean Policy Research Foundation※ | 28,817,379 | |
| | Research and development project for shipbuilding technology and associated technologies | | (Total 194,522,000) | |
| | 1. Developing an NOx emission mitigation system for ships' diesel engines | Asahi Kasei Chemicals Mitsui Engineering and Shipbuilding | 77,500,000 | |
| | 2. Research and development for jacking-type deck elevation device | Teramoto Co., Ltd. | 33,800,000 | |
| | 3. Using ship radars to enhance wave information and assist maritime navigation | Japan Radio Co., Ltd. | 13,156,000 | |
| | 4. Developing a method for building seaweed beds using deep-sea water | Ouchi Ocean Consultant, Inc. | 12,800,000 | |
| | 5. Research and development of a chemical analysis tool for use inside deep-sea drilling pits | Ocean Engineering Research, Inc | 17,000,000 | |
| 6. Developing a gas exhaust treatment process compatible with high-sulfur fuel | Furugen and Makino Technology Lab | 20,866,000 | | |
| 7. Developing a high-precision movement compensation system for marine observation winches | Tsurumi Seiki Co. Ltd. | 19,400,000 | | |

※Name as of FY2014. The current name is the Ocean Policy Research Institute, SPF.

SPF Financial Position (For Year Ended March 31, 2015)

Statement of Income and Expenses

(Unit: ¥1,000)

| 2014 | |
|---|------------------|
| I. Operating activities | |
| 1. Income | |
| From endowment | 868,297 |
| From special funds | 702,535 |
| Other income | 116,355 |
| Contributions/grants | 0 |
| Total income from operating activities | 1,687,187 |
| 2. Expenses | |
| Program | 1,788,802 |
| General and administrative | 145,627 |
| Total expenses from operating activities | 1,934,429 |
| Net income from operating activities | △ 247,242 |
| II. Investing activities | |
| 1. Income | |
| Proceeds from sales of investments | 555,307 |
| Total income from investing activities | 555,307 |
| 2. Expenses | |
| Purchase of investments | 49,277 |
| Purchase of property | 55,391 |
| Total expenses from investing activities | 104,668 |
| Net income from investing activities | 450,639 |
| III. Financing activities | |
| 1. Income | |
| Total income from financing activities | 0 |
| 2. Expenses | |
| Total expenses from financing activities | 0 |
| Net income from financing activities | 0 |
| Net income | 203,397 |
| Carried over from previous year | 1,291,851 |
| Carried forward to the next year | 1,495,248 |

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

(Unit: ¥1,000)

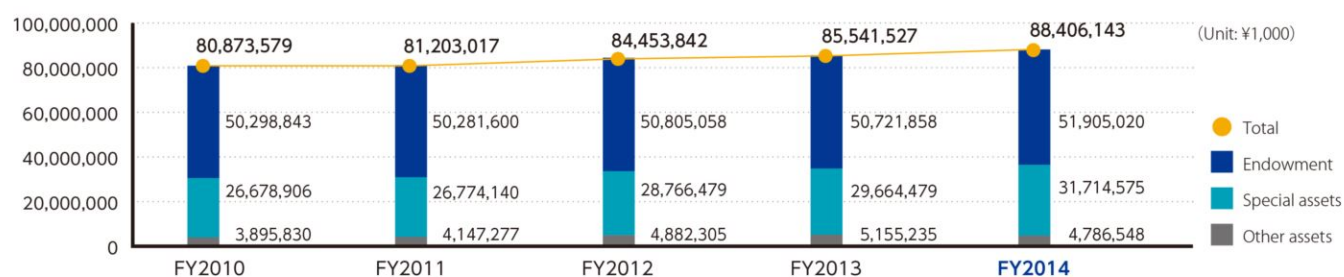
| 2014 | |
|---|-------------------|
| I. Net assets-unrestricted | |
| 1. Recurring revenues and expense | |
| (1) Recurring revenues | 1,739,848 |
| (2) Recurring expenses | 2,009,462 |
| Net assets from recurring activities before valuation | △ 269,614 |
| Profit and Loss on Appraisal in Basic Assets | 150,690 |
| Net assets from recurring activities | △ 118,924 |
| 2. Non-recurring revenues and expenses | |
| (1) Non-recurring revenues | 99,999 |
| (2) Non-recurring expenses | 0 |
| Net assets from non-recurring activities | 99,999 |
| Change in unrestricted, beginning of year | △ 18,925 |
| Net assets-unrestricted, beginning of year | 5,986,541 |
| Net assets-unrestricted, end of year | 5,967,616 |
| II. Net assets-temporarily restricted | |
| Change in net asset-temporarily restricted | 2,901,697 |
| Net assets-temporarily restricted, beginning of year | 79,248,613 |
| Net assets-temporarily restricted, end of year | 82,150,311 |
| III. Total net assets, end of year | 88,117,927 |

Balance Sheet

(Unit: ¥1,000)

| 2014 | |
|---|-------------------|
| I. Assets | |
| 1. Current assets | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 413,689 |
| Securities | 1,171,270 |
| Other current assets | 304,263 |
| Total current assets | 1,889,222 |
| 2. Fixed assets | |
| Endowment | 51,905,020 |
| Special funds (special assets) | 31,714,575 |
| Other special assets | 2,651,897 |
| Other fixed assets | 245,429 |
| Total fixed assets | 86,516,921 |
| Total assets | 88,406,143 |
| II. Liabilities | |
| Current liabilities | 142,158 |
| Long-term liabilities | 146,058 |
| Total liabilities | 288,216 |
| III. Net assets | |
| 1. Net assets-temporarily restricted | 82,150,311 |
| To endowment | (51,462,214) |
| To special assets | (30,688,097) |
| 2. Net assets-unrestricted | 5,967,616 |
| To endowment | (442,807) |
| To special assets | (3,536,873) |
| Total net assets | 88,117,927 |
| Total liabilities and net assets | 88,406,143 |

Changes in Assets



OPRF Financial Position (For Year Ended March 31, 2015)

Statement of Income and Expenses

(Unit: ¥1,000)

| 2014 | |
|---|------------------|
| I. Operating activities | |
| 1. Income | |
| From endowment | 137,785 |
| From special funds | 768,636 |
| Other income | 1,512 |
| Contributions/grants | 1,287,996 |
| Total income from operating activities | 2,195,929 |
| 2. Expenses | |
| Program | 2,868,304 |
| General and administrative | 243,923 |
| Subsidies return expenditure | 8,807 |
| Corporate tax etc. expenditure | 142 |
| Total expenses from operating activities | 3,121,176 |
| Net income from operating activities | △ 925,247 |
| II. Investing activities | |
| 1. Income | |
| Proceeds from sales of investments | 2,029,862 |
| Total income from investing activities | 2,029,862 |
| 2. Expenses | |
| Acquisition of basic assets expenditure | 199,324 |
| Purchase of investments | 1,105,889 |
| Purchase of property | 203 |
| Total expenses from investing activities | 1,305,416 |
| Net income from investing activities | 724,446 |
| III. Financing activities | |
| 1. Income | |
| Total income from financing activities | 0 |
| 2. Expenses | |
| Total expenses from financing activities | 0 |
| Net income from financing activities | 0 |
| Net income | △ 200,801 |
| Carried over from previous year | 617,375 |
| Carried forward to the next year | 416,574 |

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

(Unit: ¥1,000)

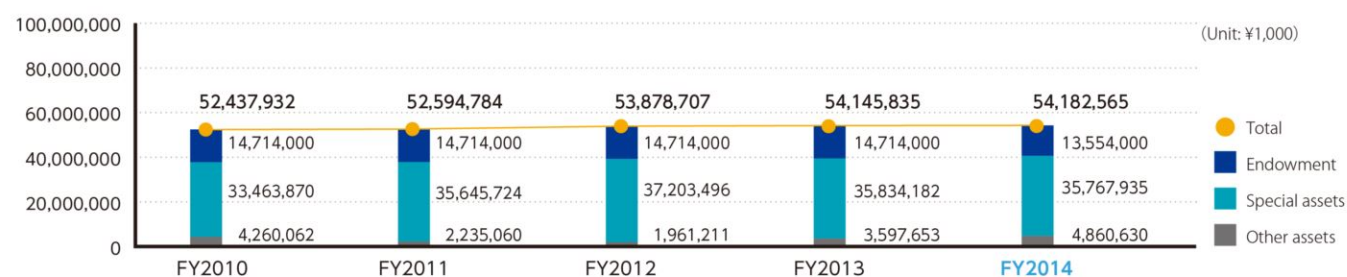
| 2014 | |
|---|-------------------|
| I. Net assets-unrestricted | |
| 1. Recurring revenues and expense | |
| (1) Recurring revenues | 1,347,354 |
| (2) Recurring expenses | 1,376,714 |
| Net assets from recurring activities before valuation | △ 29,360 |
| Profit and Loss on Appraisal in Basic Assets | 278,078 |
| Net assets from recurring activities | 248,718 |
| 2. Non-recurring revenues and expenses | |
| (1) Non-recurring revenues | 5,531,036 |
| (2) Non-recurring expenses | 1,457,860 |
| Net assets from non-recurring activities | 4,073,177 |
| Current period general net asset increase/decrease amount before tax | 4,321,895 |
| Corporate tax etc. | 142 |
| Current period general net asset increase/decrease amount | 4,321,753 |
| Net assets-unrestricted, beginning of year | 23,165,202 |
| Net assets-unrestricted, end of year | 27,486,955 |
| II. Net assets-temporarily restricted | |
| Change in net asset-temporarily restricted | △ 4,280,616 |
| Net assets-temporarily restricted, beginning of year | 30,175,088 |
| Net assets-temporarily restricted, end of year | 25,894,472 |
| III. Total net assets, end of year | 53,381,427 |

Balance Sheet

(Unit: ¥1,000)

| 2014 | |
|---|-------------------|
| I. Assets | |
| 1. Current assets | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 669,650 |
| Securities | |
| Other current assets | 211,139 |
| Total current assets | 880,789 |
| 2. Fixed assets | |
| Endowment | 13,554,000 |
| Special funds (special assets) | 35,767,935 |
| Other special assets | 381,439 |
| Other fixed assets | 3,598,402 |
| Total fixed assets | 53,301,776 |
| Total assets | 54,182,565 |
| II. Liabilities | |
| Current liabilities | 469,145 |
| Long-term liabilities | 331,993 |
| Total liabilities | 801,138 |
| III. Net assets | |
| 1. Net assets-temporarily restricted | 25,894,472 |
| To endowment | (7,805,778) |
| To special assets | (18,088,694) |
| 2. Net assets-unrestricted | 27,486,955 |
| To endowment | (5,748,222) |
| To special assets | (17,729,241) |
| Total net assets | 53,381,427 |
| Total liabilities and net assets | 54,182,565 |

Changes in Assets



Introduction of Project-Related Books and Reports

| | Project name | Report name | How to obtain the report |
|---|--|---|--------------------------|
| SPF | Building a Framework for Japan-UK Security Cooperation | The second Japan-UK security and cooperation conference, "UK-Japan Strategic Dialogue: Co-operation in New Security Challenges" | Web |
| | Strengthening U.S.-Japan Initiative on Common Policy Issues | The Foreign Policy and Security Implications of Global Aging for the Future of Japan-U.S. Relations Report of the Sixth Annual Japan-U.S. Joint Public Policy Forum | Web |
| | New Channels: Reinvigorating U.S.-Japan Relations | THE STANFORD-SASAKAWA PEACE FOUNDATION NEW CHANNELS DIALOGUE 2015 FINAL REPORT | Web |
| | Forty Years of Japan-China Relations in Review(1972-2012)Phase II | History of Japan-China Relations 1972 – 2012, IV Public Sector, Social Science Academic Press, China | Contact |
| | Book Translation and Publication Project for Understanding Contemporary Japan Phase II ※15 Japanese books translated into Chinese | Political History of Japan: Diplomacy and Power, Nanjing University Press Post-war Japanese Perception of China, Social Science Academic Press Japanese Gardens – History of Spatial Beauty, Nanjing University Press | Contact |
| | Invitation Program for Chinese Magazine Journalists | Shangri-la Best Life November 2014 issue | Contact |
| | Invitation Program for Chinese Magazine Journalists | New Weekly Magazine November 15, 2014 issue, 431st Term | Contact |
| | Invitation Program for Popular Chinese Bloggers | LEADERS 8/2014, 59th Term | Contact |
| | Japan-China Maritime Navigation Safety Dialogue | Report on the Japan-China Maritime Navigation Safety Dialogue | Web |
| | Promoting Mutual Understanding between East and West Asia | WORLD FORUM FOR MUSLIM DEMOCRATS Conference Agenda -Malaysia 3-4 November 2014 | Contact |
| | Support for Science Journalists in Asia | SjCOOP Asia Tokyo Meeting 2014 Report | Contact |
| | BOP PRODUCTS INCUBATION BY SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURS | BoP Technology Study and Product Incubation - Agriculture Sector Study | Web |
| | BOP PRODUCTS INCUBATION BY SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURS | Introducing Moka Joka Sanitation System Feasibility study of BOP business | Web |
| | BOP PRODUCTS INCUBATION BY SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURS | Sasakawa BOP Feasibility Report Summary - Phase II (Nikken Corporation, Panasonic, GS Yuasa) | Web |
| BOP PRODUCTS INCUBATION BY SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURS | MAKING IMPACT INVESTIBLE | Web | |
| OPRF | Comprehensive ocean policy development project | Policy proposal on the promotion of integrated coastal management | Web |
| | Comprehensive ocean policy development project | Report from the research on Japan's ocean policies | Web |
| | Comprehensive ocean policy development project | Report on the trends of ocean policies in various countries and the international community | Web |
| | Islands and surrounding oceans project | H26 - Report from research on islands and surrounding oceans | Web |
| | Islands and surrounding oceans project | Report on the 2nd International Seminar for Islands and Oceans | Web |
| | Creative research project | Ocean Policy Research, No.13 | Web |
| | Creative research project | Ocean Policy Research, special 2014 edition | Web |
| | Newsletter issuance and ocean forum organization project | Ocean Newsletter (from Issue 328 to Issue 351) | Web |
| | White Paper on the Oceans and Ocean Policy Publishing project | White Paper on the Oceans and Ocean Policy 2015 | Contact |
| | Integrated coastal management model project | Research report on implementing the integrated coastal management model | Web |
| | Integrated coastal management education project | H26 – Research on the introduction of integrated coastal management education | Web |
| | Integrated coastal management education project | H26 – Supplement: Research on the introduction of integrated coastal management education | Web |
| | Ocean education expansion project | H26 – Report on initiatives for expanding ocean education in the Japanese school education system | Web |
| | Ocean education expansion project | Grand Design for Ocean Education in the 21st century (elementary school edition) – Ocean education curriculum and units (2nd printing, revised edition) | Web |
| | Ocean-related information project | Island Research Journal Vol.3, Issue 2 | Web |
| | Ocean-related information project | Island Research Journal Vol.4, Issue 1 | Web |
| | Ocean-related information project | Island Research Journal Vol.4, Issue 2 | Web |
| Ocean-related information project | Review of Island Studies | Web | |

Date of Establishment September 1, 1986 (Transition to public interest incorporated foundation in October 2011)

SPF Mission Statement The Sasakawa Peace Foundation addresses the diverse and complicated issues that human society is encountering in the 21st century. In order to respond to increasing natural disasters and social crises, we implement and support a variety of necessary programs and projects. As a private Japanese foundation, we strive to strengthen cooperation at all levels between our country and countries abroad. We make use of our freedom as a private foundation to effectively promote activities, proposals, and exchanges in the search for a new governance model for human society

Toward New Ocean Governance

We make necessary proposals for ocean governance and promote implementation to protect this common heritage of mankind. With international cooperation and coordination, we promote research and studies aiming for comprehensive ocean management and sustainable development. As an organization of a country surrounded by the sea, we pursue a model of a new ocean State that maintains a balance between development and utilization of marine resources and environmental protection. We make efforts to enhance cooperation with the international community, especially with Asian and Pacific countries, to establish the ocean governance of the future.

Realization of World Peace and Security

We implement and support projects that contribute to world peace and security. We devote our efforts to the stability and development of the Asian-Pacific region and the international community. At the same time, we consider ways of governance in new areas of maritime and space security in cooperation with the leaders of other countries and various fields by conducting research studies and making proposals. We also examine and implement measures to ensure security of citizens against internal conflicts, terrorism, and natural disasters that are recently increasing around the world.

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Keeping the diversity of the world community in view, we seek for tailor-made solutions for each country and region. With the current aging of the population in Japan and the developed world, growth has slowed down in recent years. Social problems are arising from the aging population and increasing economic disparities. On the other hand, the population in the developing world is growing rapidly, bringing about various problems inside as well as outside these countries. To come up with practical solutions to these problems, we promote approaches that respect diversity. For the realization of societies where individuals can fully express their potential and contribute to finding solutions, we support innovative policies and implementation efforts at the policy-making level.

The Sasakawa Peace Foundation has merged with The Ocean Policy Research Foundation on April 1, 2015. The following is information after the merger (as of April 1, 2015).

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Endowment | ¥65,459,021,000 |
| Special assets | ¥62,125,848,000 |
| Fiscal 2015 Operating Expenses | ¥4,219,100,000 |

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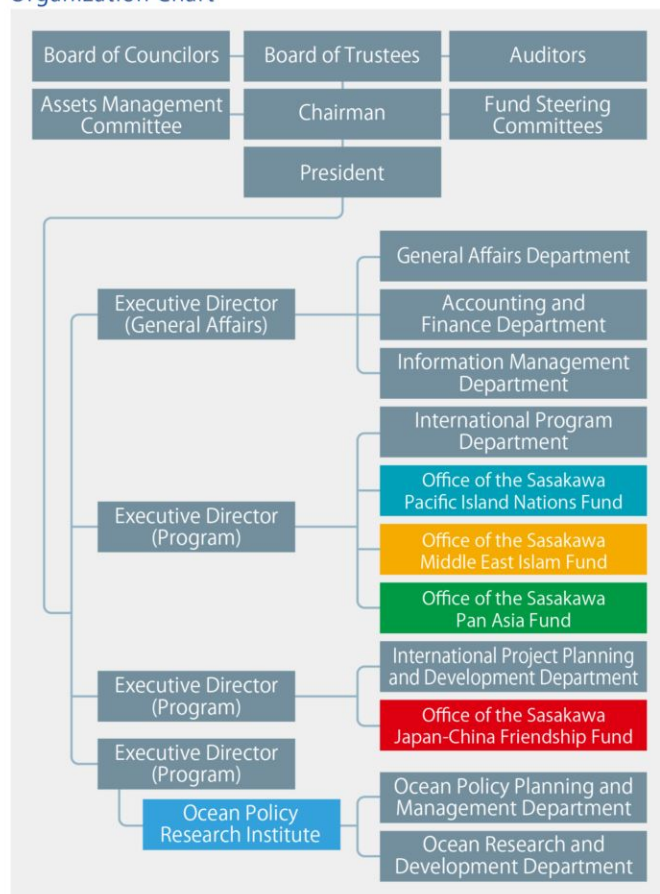
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