

## Application Guidelines

# Idea Contest for Collaborative Coexistence 2025

## Contest Overview

This contest invites ideas from international students and promotes collaboration to bring those ideas to life. Open to both domestic and international participants, it provides support for implementation while fostering greater public awareness of multicultural coexistence and Japanese language learning.

## Date & Time

Saturday, September 13, 2025 1:00PM~5:30PM

## Venue

### KOBE CO CREATION CENTER

〒 650-0221 Hyogo, Kobe, Chuo-ku, Sannomiya-cho, Center Plaza, 1-9-1, 9F

Website : <https://kobepatform.or.jp/facility/>

## Organized by

Kobe City Community Engagement and Development Bureau

## Application Secretariat

Bay Area Co., Ltd. (Contact Person: Mr. Furikado)

Hours: Weekdays 10:00AM~5:00PM

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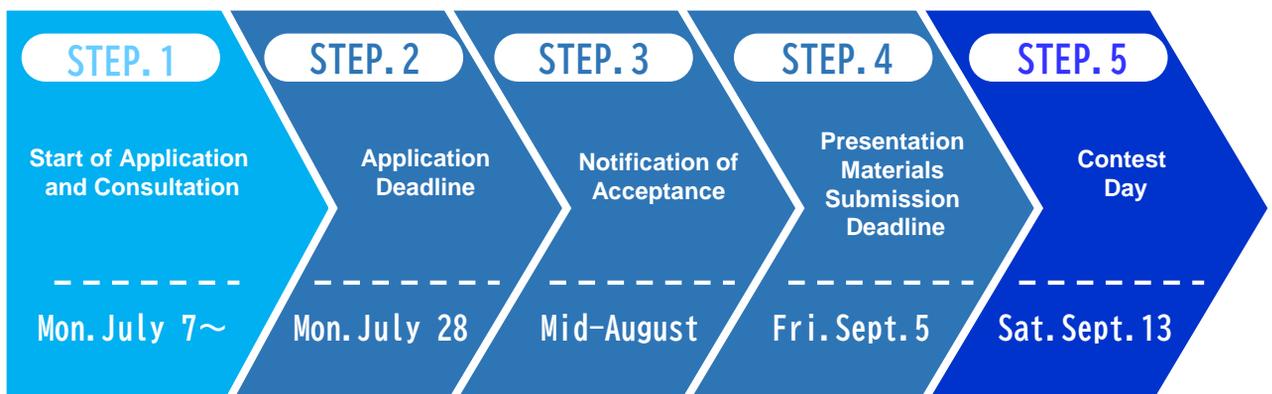
## Others

The official languages of this event are Japanese and English.



<b>Application Categories</b>	<p>A) <b>Speech Category</b>            B) <b>Presentation Category</b></p>
<b>Application Procedure</b>	<p>Submit your application using the link provided below.</p> <p>A) <b>Speech Category</b>            Application URL: <a href="https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/MQPU7xxAcm">https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/MQPU7xxAcm</a></p> <p>B) <b>Presentation Category</b>            Application URL: <a href="https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/uB10QmL65q">https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/uB10QmL65q</a></p> <p>A confirmation email will be sent to your registered address upon submission.</p>
<b>Application Period</b>	<p><b>Monday July 7, 2025 ~ Monday July 28, 2025</b></p>
<b>Notification of Acceptance</b>	<p>You will be notified of your participation status by mid-August via your registered email.</p> <p>If applications exceed capacity, a preliminary screening will be conducted.</p>
<b>Important Notes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Revisions to submitted materials will not be accepted, as a general rule.</li> <li>● Presentations may be recorded and utilized for publicity or promotional purposes.</li> <li>● Submissions must not infringe upon the copyrights or portrait rights of any third party.</li> </ul>
<b>Others</b>	<p>If any of the following apply, please contact the application office by email at <a href="mailto:event_jimu@bayarea.jp">event_jimu@bayarea.jp</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● To request interviews with Kobe City departments or local foreign resident organizations to gain insights into the contest theme.</li> <li>● If you intend to join the Presentation Division but have no international student contacts.</li> </ul>

## Schedule



Theme	Deliver a speech reflecting on your experiences in Kobe, with a focus on promoting coexistence or enhancing Japanese language proficiency.
Eligibility	Attendees of Japanese Language Schools/Classes in Kobe City.
Requirements	<p><b>Applicants must have resided in Japan for less than two years and have Japanese language proficiency equivalent to N3 or below.</b></p> <p>※ <i>Applications must be submitted through an Affiliated School or Language Class.</i></p>
Capacity	<b>5 Participants.</b> ※ <i>Video screening will be held, if applications exceed capacity.</i>
Award	<p><b>Grand Prize &amp; Special Award</b></p> <p>※ Attractive prizes will be provided by the sponsoring companies. In addition, winners will receive an official <b>Letter of Recognition</b> from Kobe City.</p>
Required Application Details	<p><b>Monday July 7, 2025 ~ Monday July 28, 2025</b></p> <p>Submit the following information via the application URL provided.</p> <p>① School/Class Name</p> <p>② Contact Person's Name, Phone Number, and Email</p> <p>③ Applicant's Name, Arrival Date in Japan, and Japanese Proficiency</p> <p>④ Speech Video (max 5 min, MP4 format, under 1GB, landscape)</p> <p>※ <i>Please upload your speech video privately to YouTube and share the video URL with us only.</i></p> <p>⑤ Presentation Summary</p> <p>– Title, Summary, Background, and Ideas for Coexistence or Language Learning Efforts</p>
Judging Criteria	① Japanese Proficiency ② Expressiveness ③ Originality

Theme	Present a collaborative idea for achieving a multicultural society, with practical implementation.
Eligibility	Students enrolled in High Schools, Technical Colleges, Universities, and Language Schools located in Kobe City.
Requirements	<b>An individual or group that includes at least one (01) international student residing in Kobe City.</b>
Capacity	<b>4 Groups.</b> ※ Presentation summary <i>screening will be held, if applications exceed capacity.</i>
Award	<p><b>Grand Prize &amp; Special Award</b></p> <p>※ Attractive prizes will be provided by the sponsoring companies. In addition, winners will receive an official <b>Letter of Recognition</b> from Kobe City.</p>
Required Application Details	<p><b>Monday July 7, 2025 ~ Monday July 28, 2025</b></p> <p>Submit the following information via the application URL provided.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>① Team Name</li> <li>② Contact Person's Name, Phone Number, and Email</li> <li>③ Other member's names and schools</li> <li>④ Presentation Summary</li> </ul> <p>–Title, summary, background, originality, anticipated outcomes, and societal impact of the proposed idea.</p>
Submission of Presentation Documents	<p>Submit the following information by email to the application office by <b>Friday, September 5</b>, after receiving the preliminary selection notice.</p> <p>① <b>Presentation Materials</b></p> <p>Slides created using PowerPoint or similar software (in PDF format, up to 10 pages, bilingual in Japanese and English)</p> <p>The format is flexible, but the following content must be included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Title of the idea and team name</li> <li>- Analysis of the community issue being addressed</li> <li>- Overview of the proposed idea</li> <li>- Implementation plan</li> <li>- Expected outcomes</li> <li>- Conclusion</li> </ul> <p>② <b>Presentation Script</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Word document in Japanese or English.</li> <li>-Must reflect the actual presentation.</li> <li>-Will be translated and used for interpretation on the contest day.</li> </ul>

**Judging  
Criteria**

① Insight ② Creativity ③ Feasibility ④ Sustainability ⑤ Expressiveness

**Contact Information for Inquiries**

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