

IEC Supporters Association Board Members
Chairperson, Trustees, Auditor and Advisor

Alphabetical Order

Honorary Chairperson

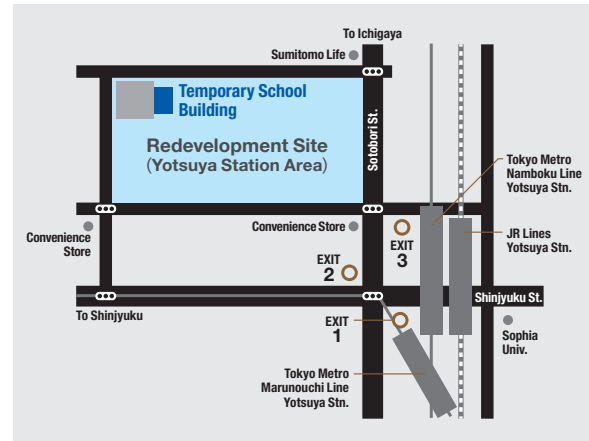
H.L.H. Princess Hisako Takamado

Chairperson	Toru Hashimoto	Honorary Advisor, Mizuho Financial Group
Trustees	Masanobu Ibe	Trustee, former Chair, International Education Center
	Hirokichi Iwasa	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Mitsui Fudosan Co., Ltd
	Minoru Makihara	Senior Corporate Advisor, Mitsubishi Corporation
	Yuzaburo Mogi	Honorary CEO and Chairman of the Board of Directors, Kikkoman Corporation
	Takeshi Niinami	President & CEO, Member of the Board, Representative Director Suntory Holdings Limited
	Minoru Okamoto	Chairman, Tyco Electronics Japan G.K.
	Takashi Oyamada	Senior Advisor, MUFG Bank, Ltd.
	Sakie Fukushima Tachibana	President & Representative Director, G&S Global Advisors Inc.
	Narimasa Tokugawa	Standing Advisor, Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
	Masaru Yamada	Chairman, Japan Association of Overseas Studies
Auditor	Yoshinori Imai	Visiting Professor of Ritsumeikan University, Former Vice-President, Japan Broadcasting Corporation Japan
Advisor	Takeo Shiina	Former Chairman of IBM Japan, Ltd

※IEC Supporters Association is designed to support the IEC-sponsored programs and activities to promote international education and cross-cultural understanding.



International Education Center



5-min. walk from Yotsuya Stn.
JR Chuo and Sōbu Lines or Tokyo Metro's Marunouchi and Namboku Lines.
Yotsuya Stn. Exits JR Yotsuya Stn., Yotsuya Exit
Tokyo Metro Marunouchi Line, Exit No.1 (Akasaka Exit)
Tokyo Metro Namboku Line, Exit No.2

IEC is in a temporary school building located north of the Yotsuya redevelopment site from January 2016 to January 2020.

1-50 Yotsuya, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo 160-0004
Tel: +81-3-3359-9620 Fax: +81-3-3353-8908

email: info@iec-nichibei.or.jp
<http://www.iec-nichibei.or.jp>



International Education Center (IEC)
Councilors, Trustees, Auditors and Advisor

Alphabetical Order

Councilors	Yoshikazu Hasegawa	Senior Managing Director, Japan Foundation for United Nations University, Former Director-General, Division of Science and International Affairs Bureau of the Ministry of Education
	Yasuhiko Ikeuchi	Former President, DKB Research Institute, Former Managing Director, Daiichi Kangyo Bank
	Akiko Kuno	Vice President, The America-Japan Society, Inc.
	Ikuko Morio, Ph. D.	Professor, Institute of Global Affairs, Tokyo Medical and Dental University
	Nobuko Sasae	Conference Interpreter, Instructor, Nichibei Kaiwa Gakuin
	Masaki Yamashiro	Honorary Trustee, Waseda University, Emeritus Member of JAFSA
Trustees	Yo Konno	Chair, CEO, International Education Center, President of Nichibei Kaiwa Gakuin and Japanese Language Institute, Former Senior Marketing Officer, Chase Manhattan Bank, Royal Bank of Scotland
	Masanobu Ibe	Former Chair, IEC, Trustee, IEC Supporters Association
	Toyoo Gyoten	Honorary Advisor, Institute for International Monetary Affairs, Former Vice Minister of Finance for International Affairs, Special Advisor for Mitsubishi UFJ Bank
	Ken Kanatani	Professor Emeritus, Tokyo Gakugei University, Trustee, Association for English Language Proficiency Assessment Former Chair, Japan Society of English Language Education
	Hideaki Nakamura	Chief Administrative Officer, IEC
	Sumiko Sakaguchi	Chief Academic Officer, IEC
	Shuji Tomikawa	Group Corporate Officer, Mitsui Fudosan Co., Ltd. President, Mitsui Fudosan Investment Advisors Inc.
Auditors	Shinichi Fukuhara	Former Senior Manager, Mitsui Trust Bank
	Masahisa Segawa	Auditor, The American Studies Foundation
Advisors	Junichi Kogo	Former Chair, CEO, International Education Center, Former President of Nichibei Kaiwa Gakuin, Former Vice President, Mitsui Fudosan America, Inc (N.Y.)
	Takashi Oi, Ph.D.	Former Chair, IEC, Former President of Nichibei Kaiwa Gakuin, Professor Emeritus, Tokyo Gakugei University



International Education Center

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION CENTER

Principles

IEC aims to :

1. promote international and intercultural exchange
2. facilitate mutual understanding among peoples of the world
3. contribute to world peace



History

IEC was established in 1947 as the parent organization of Nichibei Kaiwa Gakuin, and was authorized as a non-profit organization for public service by the then Ministry of Education in 1948. IEC has steadily expanded its activities to include a variety of educational and cultural initiatives in addition to its main language education programs.

- Nov 1945 Nichibei Kaiwa Gakuin founded.
- Aug 1948 International Education and Cultural Association authorized as an incorporated foundation by the then Ministry of Education.
- Jun 1953 International Education and Cultural Association changed name to International Education Center.
- Jun 1960 IEC holds the 1st International Speech Contest in Japanese
- Jul 1964 IEC resumes the present series of Japan-America Student Conference (first begun in 1934; suspended during wartime).
- Sep 1967 Japanese Language Institute founded.
- Jul 1995 The University of Chicago begins offering its Master of Arts Program in Humanities at IEC (until Dec 2003).
- Apr 2008 IEC's new building completed.
- Apr 2012 IEC authorized anew as a general incorporated foundation by the Cabinet Office.
- Nov 2014 The 80th Anniversary of Foundation of Japan-America Student Conference.
- Nov 2015 The 70th Anniversary of Foundation of Nichibei Kaiwa Gakuin celebrated.
- Jan 2016 IEC moved to the temporary School Building due to Yotsuya Station Area Redevelopment
- Jan 2020 IEC will move back to the Redeveloped Area

Promotion of International Education & Cross-Cultural Understanding

■ Japan-America Student Conference (JASC)

(Sponsored by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science & Technology, and the Embassy of the United States)

The first Japan-America Student Conference was held in 1934, initiated by Japanese and American university students. After an interruption during World War II, the conference resumed and has taken place alternately in Japan and the US ever since. JASC is organized and run by students with an aim to promote mutual understanding, trust and friendship through a frank exchange of ideas, thus establishing a strong foundation for future friendship and cooperation between the two countries. Today, 72 students (36 students from each country) are competitively selected to spend one summer month together every year, studying and analyzing Japan-US relations across many issues in politics, economics, society, education and culture. They attend lectures by experts on those issues and visit several regions in the host country. Students find commonalities in their views on the present and future Japan-US relationship and the world.



■ International Speech Contest in Japanese

(Sponsored by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Agency for Cultural Affairs)

The International Speech Contest in Japanese has been held annually since 1960. It aims to provide an opportunity for people from all over the world to present their views in Japanese, and to give both speakers and audience members a chance to think about Japanese and global society. Speakers are able to demonstrate their mastery of the Japanese language, and audience members are able to gain fresh perspectives on Japanese language and culture. Since 1996, it has been co-sponsored by The Japan Foundation, IEC, and the host city for that year. The contest is broadcast on NHK E-Tele during the program "Watashi no Mita Nippon." Contestants' speeches are also used to teach international understanding at many junior and senior high schools. Videos of the speeches can be viewed on our website.



■ Seminars on English Teaching Methods

Designed for elementary, junior and senior high school teachers, these seminars provide a forum for learning English teaching methods. Teachers not only learn various practical English teaching methods which can be adapted to any classroom, but they also have an opportunity to practice these methods themselves.

■ Open Lectures

IEC periodically organizes public lectures in Japanese and English, inviting domestic and international experts from a variety of disciplines including global politics, economics, culture, social studies, and education. After the lectures, audience members can participate in lively Q&A sessions, raising their own questions and opinions.

■ Japan Studies Program for Overseas High Schools, Universities and Graduate Schools

We assist overseas high school, university and graduate school students to deepen their understanding and appreciation of Japanese culture and society through Japanese language programs, sightseeing and company visits. In addition, we organize events for them to meet and interact with their Japanese counterparts.



■ Princess Takamado English Essay Contest (Japan office)

The Prince Takamado Japan Centre for Teaching and Research at the University of Alberta, Canada, runs several programs to promote mutual understanding between Canada and Japan. This essay contest is one of the Prince Takamado Japan Canada Memorial Fund's initiatives, designed to encourage Japanese university students to take an interest in English language and in Canada. It is organized yearly, with the backing of the university's Faculty of Extension and the support of the Embassy of Canada.

● Global Human Capital Development Program

This program is tailored for students and corporate employees who are ready to take the challenge posed by the globalized academic and business environments. It offers a series of content-driven courses, from international politics, economics and business, to history, philosophy and the arts, taught in English, French and Japanese. In addition, there is a specially designed course to groom students wishing to study abroad at the graduate level.

- School of International Studies (SIS)
- Graduate School Preparation Course

Language Education: English, Japanese, etc.

■ Nichibei Kaiwa Gakuin since 1945

Nichibei Kaiwa Gakuin was founded in November 1945 during the aftermath of WWII. Its mission was to train individuals to negotiate in English with the American occupational forces. Since then, more than 150,000 people have studied at our institution. Many of them have gone on to work in domestic and overseas affairs at the forefront of Japan's globalization movement.

Today, we offer a wide variety of classes from English Conversation and Business English up to Advanced Interpretation Training. We also offer classes for elementary, junior and senior high school students, and classes to prepare individuals for study abroad. Our students range from corporate clients and business professionals to homemakers, senior citizens, and school children.

Nichibei Kaiwa Gakuin emphasizes "output" training in speaking and writing. At the same time, we help students strengthen their skills in English grammar, vocabulary, listening, and reading. Our goal is to foster individuals who can speak and discuss with others on the world stage.



■ Japanese Language Institute (JLI) since 1967

The Japanese Language Institute offers classes on business and practical Japanese for business people, corporate trainees, families of expatriates, spouses of Japanese citizens, and researchers of Japanese culture. Using original textbooks written in Japanese and English, students can master Japanese step by step, moving gradually through the elementary level and progressing more quickly through the intermediate and advanced levels. Students can also learn Japanese culture, customs, business manners and social etiquette while studying the language. To date, more than 7,000 students from over 90 countries have studied at JLI.

