



Rits Super Global Forum 2016 (RSGF2016)

November 15th – 19th, 2016
Ritsumeikan High School, Kyoto, Japan

Additional Information

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We are pleased to announce that we have set the main theme for RSGF2016: “What Is the World We Want to Create for the Future? ---- Sustainable Approaches to Solving the Problems of Poverty” and the five approaches to be used to realize the goal. For all approaches, please make your posters and prepare for the discussions based on the information given below.

RSGF2016 **Theme:** **What Is the World We Want to Create for the Future?**

Sustainable Approaches to Solving the Problems of Poverty

Five Approaches:

- 1. Political Approach**
- 2. Economic Approach**
- 3. Educational Approach**
- 4. Health and Safety Approach**
- 5. Social Approach**

★Poster submission

Please print and bring your posters with you, according to the following parameter: [size; A0-sized paper].

For those who are unable to bring their own pre-printed poster, please send the electronic data file ahead of the event, and please make it using **Microsoft PowerPoint**. Also, please make it so that it fits onto a single sheet of A4-sized paper. After you send the file, the printing, enlarging, and displaying will be done by us at Ritsumeikan.

Deadline for Electronic Submission of Poster: October 31st, 2016

Send to : sgh2016@fkc.ritsumei.ac.jp

★Preparing for group discussions:

We would like the high school students to develop their discussions at a higher level than the typical process of "**How do we solve this problem?**" → "Aid is needed" or "It is important to know about this." We expect the students to hold the discussions having studied ahead of time about the actual global conditions and having as much knowledge as possible about the their assigned Approach.

★Dividing your school's RSGF2016 participants:

If you have 5 or more participants, please put at least one person into each of the 5 approaches. If the number of people from your school is less than 5, please join different Approaches. Please try to place people equally into each Approach.

Principal

2016 THEME:

**What Is the World We Want to Create For the Future?
Sustainable Approaches to Solving the Problems of Poverty**

We are meeting at a time of immense challenges to equitable sustainable development. Billions of Earth's citizens continue to live in poverty and are denied a life of dignity. There are rising inequalities within and among countries. On September 25th, 2015, the United Nations adopted 17 Sustainable Development Goals to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure prosperity for all as part of a **new sustainable development agenda**. It means world leaders are committed to ending poverty in all its forms and dimensions, including eradicating extreme poverty by 2030. For the goals to be reached, everyone needs to do their part: governments, the private sector, civil society and people like us.

So, let us put our heads together at RSGF2016 and share our ideas about **“What is the world we want to create for the future?”** and **“What can we do to make the world better for the next generation?”**

For this forum, we are focusing on the **problems of poverty in the world**, and have set five approaches to solving these problems. **Please choose one out of the 5 following approaches below and focus on it for making your posters and discussions during the forum.**

1. Political Approach

- What can governments do to assist **their own citizens?** (**Domestic** problems)
- What kinds of assistance can governments provide to those in other countries? (**External problems**)
- What changes to **current laws / policies / measures** are needed?
- What innovative ideas can be considered?

2. Economic Approach

- How can the **vicious cycle of poverty** be eradicated?
- How should **funds** for assistance be used?

- What sources can **funds be drawn from**?
- What changes to current economic systems / policies (taxation, welfare, etc.) are needed?
- What innovative ideas can be considered?

3. Educational Approach

- What changes to **current educational practices** are needed?
- What should be **prioritized** among the many educational issues? (teacher training, teacher status, costs for students, resources, infrastructure, etc.)
- How can **school attendance** be increased?
 - How can **gender inequality** be addressed?
 - What innovative ideas can be considered?

4. Health and Safety Approach

- How can living conditions (housing, water, sanitation, healthcare, etc.) be improved?
- What change to current **medical systems** or **sanitary conditions** are needed to prevent serious diseases?
- How can **food security** be increased / ensured for the poor?
- What innovative ideas can be considered?

5. Social Approach

- **What role** can communities / organizations (NGO, NPO, etc.) play in reducing poverty?
- What **mental care** can be provided to people in need?
- What changes to current customs / cultures are needed?
- What innovative ideas can be considered?

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