



INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN  
**Rits Super Global Forum 2021 Online (RSGF 2021 Online)**

**November 9 – 13, 2021**  
**Ritsumeikan High School, Kyoto, Japan**

Dear Principal,

Ritsumeikan Junior and Senior High School was selected among many promising high schools as one of the Super Global High Schools (SGH) by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) in 2014. This initiative set by MEXT gave Ritsumeikan an incredible opportunity to create programs where students could not only increase their awareness of global issues through knowledge-based learning but also through overseas outreach programs. There are two main objectives for our SGH Projects. One of them is to raise awareness of global issues which young people must grapple with and find solutions for in today's society. The other is, to establish partnerships, friendships, and, above all, to build leadership skills through discussions, workshops and research. Our school was assigned as one of the schools of Super Global High School Network again this year.

The main theme of the goal of our global education is "to have awareness and responsibility as members of the global era and to contribute to the construction of a peaceful society." With this theme in mind, we have collaborated with other schools and organizations in initiating several programs aimed at equipping our students with information and skills to better prepare them in handling the challenges of the theme:

- 1) Philippine Study Tour, focusing on "Poverty and Natural Disasters", collaborating with PSHS Eastern Visayas Campus.
- 2) Alternate Forum or Model United Nations with KSHS and KGHS, focusing on "Discussion on World Issues."
- 3) Tohoku Study Tour, focusing on "Prevention and the Aftermath from Natural Disasters."
- 4) Sweden Study Tour, focusing on "Sustainable Development Goals" and "Environmental Issues," collaborating with Ystad Gymnasium.
- 5) Field Work, focusing on "SDGs."

We would sincerely like to show our heartfelt gratitude to all the schools and organizations listed above for their collaboration and support.

Ritsumeikan High School is annually organizing the "Rits Super Global Forum (RSGF)" with the purpose of tackling global issues through discussions, collaborative workshops and presentations. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the RSGF 2021 Organizing Committee has decided to reorganize it as an online event again this year. We are hoping that through the RSGF 2021 Online, we will be able to establish a rich network of mutual exchange among schools all over the world.

In this regard, it would be our pleasure to welcome a group from your school to participate in this event **from November 9 to 13, 2021**. Participating institutions will receive instructions for this altered format. We regret not being able to welcome your students onsite here in Japan, but we are sure we will be able to welcome new ideas and challenges with you by holding this special event online just as last year.

We are looking forward to hosting many high school students online from different parts of the world and finding ways to contribute to the welfare of humankind. We eagerly await the participation of even more schools in this year's program.

Details pertaining to the event are attached to this letter. If you have any inquiries, please contact Ms. Misa Nakanishi at Ritsumeikan High School by email at [misa@fkc.ritsumei.ac.jp](mailto:misa@fkc.ritsumei.ac.jp) or by calling +81-75-323-7111. We would also be grateful if you could confirm your school's attendance **by September 20, 2021, by submitting the Registration Form (Google Form) sent by Ms. Misa Nakanishi**. We look forward to seeing you online.

Yours sincerely,

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