

Yamaoka Memorial Foundation  
1st Student Prize Essay Contest  
Entry Guidelines

Yamaoka Memorial Foundation (hereinafter called “Foundation”) is a foundation established with the aim of promoting academic and cultural exchange between Germany and Japan and thus contributing to development of a sustainable society.

In order to support young people's freshly conceived theories and practices, we have decided to invite students to enter a prize essay contest.

We are awaiting a wide range of entrants, not limited to German and Japanese students.

1. Purpose of Essay

In recent years, there have been numerous problems related to global warming effect and finite resources including energy and food. These problems are no longer restricted to our own country but have a great impact on the international community that have become increasingly tense.

Under such circumstances, it is considered essential to make good use of renewable energy as means to build a peaceful and sustainable society. In your essay, what technology to be created and developed for the society should be discussed from a technical point of view and a management perspective.

2. Theme

"Technologies and management of renewable energy for realizing a sustainable society"

3. Contents

- ① Please write an essay according to the theme under consideration of the purpose of essay.
- ② Please propose your original ideas by describing processes and methods to realize in a theoretical manner.
- ③ Categories should be Technology, Technical system and/or Management system.

4. Eligibility and requirements

- ① Students including foreign students who are resident in Japan and enrolled in Japanese universities and graduate schools (excluding working Drs.).
- ② No limitation on age.
- ③ You may write an essay collaboratively in a group.

- ④ Essays/papers already published are not accepted.
- ⑤ You shall take responsibility for the contents. Foundation will not give any guarantees for the contents and make public the fact if there is fraudulence.

#### 5. Format and word limit

- ① Please write your essay in Japanese or English.
- ② The length of text body should be 8,000~12,000 characters in Japanese or 3,000~5,000 words in English (in file format : Microsoft Word), excluding the number of characters or words of other parts (cover page, abstract, table of contents, attached documents, data, charts, diagrams, tables, and references).
- ③ The layout should be 40 characters x 36 lines in Japanese or 74 characters x 36 lines in English written horizontally in A4 vertical format.
- ④ The fonts should be “Mincho” in Japanese or “Times New Roman” in English, both in size 10.5.

#### 6. Materials to submit

- ❶ Please download an "entry form" from the Foundation's website, fill in the required information, and save it with a file name as "entry form \_ your first and last name".
- ❷ Please create an abstract up to 1,200 characters in Japanese or 500 words in English written horizontally in A4 vertical format (charts, diagrams and tables cannot be used here). Please write the title clearly on top of the page and save it with a file name as "abstract \_ your first and last name".
- ❸ Please compile the following 1) – 4) into one document file and name the file "title \_ your first and last name".
  - 1) Table of contents : Please be sure to attach a table of contents.
  - 2) Text body : Please put the title at the beginning of essay. Do not write your name and school name in this section. Page numbers should be put at center/bottom of the manuscript as footers.
  - 3) Charts, diagrams, tables, photos etc. : If possible, please insert charts, diagrams, tables, photos etc. at the appropriate part in the text body. If not, please attach all such items to the last part of the text body in a sequence. The titles of charts, diagrams, tables and photos are to be put directly below them. Please pay special attention to image quality and definition of charts, diagrams, tables and photos as their visibility will be considered as one of the points of evaluation. Small letters and numbers should be in size easy to

read and printed in color if necessary. Insertion of video material such as DVD, video clips, etc. is not allowed.

- 4) References : If there are sources to cite, please attach to the end of an essay a reference list specifying "Title, Author, Publishing company, Publication year, and Pages".

#### 7. Submission method

All submissions must be e-mailed. Paper medium sent by post will not be accepted.

Please send all the above-mentioned files ❶- ❸ attached to an e-mail.

E-mailed to: Yamaoka Memorial Foundation

yamaoka-memorial@yanmar.com

Subject should be "Entry for Yamaoka Memorial Foundation Student Prize Essay Contest"

#### 8. Deadline for submission

~~Friday, September 15, 2017~~ **Friday, October 20, 2017**

\* E-mail must be received by the secretariat of Foundation no later than October 20. Please note that any document will not be accepted after the deadline.

#### 9. Evaluation process

Review by secretariat	Review of eligibility, format, etc. by the secretariat of Foundation
Primary review	Review by a panel of primary reviewers appointed by Foundation
Final review	Jury chairman : Masahiro Shioji, Professor Emeritus of Kyoto University Jury : Fumiteru Akamatsu, Professor of Osaka University Graduate School Tetsuo Tezuka, Professor of Kyoto University Graduate School Hiroshi Kanda, Senior Managing Director of Yanmar Co., Ltd. Osamu Kawatate, Director of Central Research Institute of Yanmar Co., Ltd.

#### 10. Number of winners, certificates, and prizes

- 1st Place of Yamaoka Award : 1 winner awarded prize JPY 500,000.- together with a certificate of appreciation
- 2nd Place of Yamaoka Award : 2 winners awarded prize JPY 250,000.- together with a certificate of appreciation

11. Winners' announcement and award ceremony

- Announcement : February 16, 2018, on the website of Foundation
- Award ceremony : March 17, 2018, held at the Josho Hall of OIT Umeda Tower

\* We will contact the winners individually.

12. Introduction and publication of winning essays

- Winning essays will be introduced and published on the website of Foundation. Furthermore, they may be published as printed matter.

13. Endorsement

- Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany Osaka-Kobe, Goethe-Institut Osaka, The Japan-Germany Society Osaka, and Yanmar Co., Ltd.

14. Notes

- ① All material submitted will not be returned.
- ② As for winning essays, it is assumed that you agree to transfer all the copyrights (including the rights of Articles 27 and 28 of the Copyright Act in Japan) to the Yamaoka Memorial Foundation.
- ③ In the award ceremony, the right of portrait will belong to the sponsor.
- ④ Personal information entered in the entry form will be used to notify the evaluation results, and will be handled appropriately in accordance with the Foundation's Privacy Policy (personal information protection policy [https://yamaoka-memorial.or.jp/privacy\\_policy.html](https://yamaoka-memorial.or.jp/privacy_policy.html)).
- ⑤ Winning essays as well as winners' names, schools, and faculties will be announced publicly.

15. For inquiries and submissions

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