



## Mayors for Peace

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The Honorable Mayor  
Mayors for Peace Member City

### Invitation for applicants to the Mayors for Peace Youth Exchange for Peace: Support Program for the “International Youth Conference for Peace in the Future, Hiroshima 2017”

Dear Mayor,

I trust this message finds you in the best of health and spirits.

At the Executive Conference in November 2015, Mayors for Peace designated “conveying the A-bomb experience to future generations through youth exchanges” as one of its intensified activities to promote nuclear weapons abolition for the next few years. In connection, we have started a program to provide financial and other support to selected youth from member cities who would like to participate in the “International Youth Conference for Peace in the Future, Hiroshima 2017.” This is a conference hosted by the Hiroshima Municipal Board of Education with an aim to invite young participants from various cities in the world to deepen mutual understanding through lodging together and to exchange views on how to contribute to the establishment of everlasting world peace.

After the conference has concluded, the Mayors for Peace Secretariat asks that young representatives from member cities submit a report which must include information about their experiences in Hiroshima and what they have learned through this program. They are also expected to commit to outreach activities for their school and community, such as a meeting to share their experiences and to have discussions with an audience. We also ask member cities that recommended participants to offer necessary support including securing a venue for the meeting and implementing post-task activities.

We hope this program will help convey the realities of the A-bombings to future generations and strengthen the network among member cities through youth exchange.

In this regard, Mayors for Peace is now accepting applications for participation in this program from member cities. If interested, please refer to the attached Application Guidelines and submit required documents by email by **Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 3pm in Japan Standard Time (UTC +9)**.

The Executive Committee of the Conference and the Mayors for Peace Secretariat will select the participants and notify their member cities of the results at the end of May 2017.

We close with best wishes for the further prosperity of your city as well as for your continued good health and every success in your activities.

Sincerely,

MATSUI Kazumi  
President of Mayors for Peace  
Mayor of Hiroshima