

THE LIMA DECLARATION – CASONA DE SAN MARCOS

The 3rd Peru – Japan University Presidents' Meeting

We, representative authorities of Universities from Peru and Japan, gathered at La Casona of the National University of San Marcos, on October 30th and 31st, 2013, in the framework of the “Third Meeting of the Consortium of Universities Peru - Japan”, exposed and discussed on topics of common interest for participant institutions, such as: “Sustainable Development”, “The Investigation and the Academic Mobility” and “The Agreement of Economic Association between Peru and Japan, and Development”. In this occasion, we have not only exchanged a series of points of view on the topics of the agenda; we have discussed, fortunately with very good results, establishing specific points that will enable, in the short term, Programs' implementation, proposing and developing beneficial projects for our High Educational Systems, as well as establishing patterns and investigations to support the academic and technological approach between our countries.

It is worldwide known that water is a good that has gone through serious changes in ways of procurement, preservation and recovery. This is an important work our countries, institutions and investigators must assume. In many cases there is a permanent loss of this resource; however, indiscriminate spending and consumption is growing chaotically, for what it turns out urgent beginning the investigation in this topic, providing our investigators with the adequate sources to approach, within the periods they concur for the sake of our societies.

The Peruvian and Japanese universities of our Consortium have already tackled in Academic Mobility since the first Lima Meeting was established in 2009, which defined, as priority topic, that both, Peruvian and Japanese academic communities become acquainted establishing academic top-level relations in origin as well as in destination scenes. We have gone a long way, established parameters that have, up to date, allowed our institutions signing agreements permitting all kinds of exchange, that of students, graduates, investigators, professors, and the whole academic community. We have not left aside the transfer of experience and various documents, including those corresponding to recent investigations. Several of our institutes, among the group that has already defined parameters, have already signed agreements easing the insertion of universities and university students in the corresponding academic communities.

Finally, the Economic Association Agreement recently signed by Peru and Japan leads us to the following interrogatives: what message are we sending to our universities?; are we training appropriate professionals for this Agreement?; our professionals are acquainted with the characteristics in treating capitals in country of destination as well as in International Law; have technological advances already been incorporated into our systems? We believe we must pay attention to the advances in the various fields of human development,

aware of the requirements we must meet for the agreements our countries could sign may provoke or maintain such a longed development.

We express our appreciation and gratefulness to the delegation of Tokay University and Alianza Estrategica for the preparation and development of this event, as well as to Yamagata Universities, Nanzan University, University of Fukui, University of Tsukuba, Hawaii Tokai International College, National University of San Marcos, National University of Engineering, National Agrarian University of La Molina, San Agustin University of Arequipa, National University of Callao, Catholic University of Santa Maria, National University del Centro del Peru and so many other universities that attended our Third Meeting.

We express our appreciation and gratefulness to His Excellency Ambassador of Japan in Peru, Mr. Masahiro FUKUKAWA; to Ambassador, Mr. Juan Carlos CAPUÑAY, General Director of Asia and Pacific for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and to all those who made possible the success of this Third Meeting.

The continuity in the meetings and the debates between our universities, which we believe must be permanent, will be displayed in Japan the year 2015. We look forward to meeting you all.

Signed at La Casona de San Marcos, Lima, October 31st, 2013

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