

## 2023 Spring Conferment of Decorations on Foreign Nationals

Decoration	Services	Major Titles	Name	Age	Address / Nationality
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to strengthening the relationship between Japan and the United States on national defense	* Former Chief of Space Operations, U.S. Space Force and Commander, U.S. Space Command * Former Commander, Air Force Space Command	John W. Raymond	60	Virginia, Alexandria, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendship between Japan and Egypt	* Former Minister of Foreign Affairs * Former Secretary General of the Arab League	Amr Moussa	86	Garden City, Cairo, Egypt  (Egypt)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendship between Japan and Canada	Former Prime Minister	Joseph-Jacques Jean Chrétien	89	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada  (Canada)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to strengthening the relationship between Japan and UNU and advancing academic research	Former Rector of the United Nations University	David Michael Malone	69	Victoria, British Columbia, Canada  (Canada)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendship between Japan and Tajikistan	* Former Minister of Foreign Affairs * Former Ambassador of Tajikistan to Japan	Hamrokhon Zarifi	74	Dushanbe city, Tajikistan  (Tajikistan)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendship between Japan and the Philippines	Former Secretary of Foreign Affairs	Alberto G. Romulo	89	Pasig City, Metro Manila, Philippines  (Philippines)

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Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendly relations between Japan and Brunei	Second Foreign Minister	Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Erywan bin Pehin Datu Pekerma Jaya Haji Mohd Yusof	57	Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei (Brunei)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting regional exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	Former Governor, State of Hawaii	David Yutaka Ige	66	Honolulu, Hawaii, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening the relationship between Japan and the United States on national defense	Former Commanding General, III Marine Expeditionary Force, and Okinawa Area Coordinator of U.S. Forces, and Commander, Marine Forces Japan	Herman Stacy Clardy III	62	Lexington, South Carolina U.S.A. (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting cooperation in the field of medical science and strengthening bilateral relations between Japan and the United States	* Former Member of the United States-Japan Cooperative Medical Science Program (USJCMSP) * Former Director of National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health	Anthony Stephen Fauci	82	Washington, D.C., U.S.A. (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting inter-parliamentary exchanges between Japan and Albania	* Former Deputy Speaker of Parliament * Former Chairperson of Friendship Groups Albania-Japan	Vasilika Hysi	60	Tirana, Tirana, Albania (Albania)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening the economic relations between Japan and India	Former Vice Chairman of NITI Aayog	Rajiv Kumar	71	New Delhi, Delhi, India (India)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening the relationship between Japan and India on national defense	Former Chief of the Naval Staff, Indian Navy	Karambir Singh	63	Murugan, Goa, India  (India)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendship between Japan and Indonesia	* Minister for Energy and Mineral Resources * Former Ambassador of Indonesia to Japan	Arifin Tasrif	69	South Jakarta, DKI Jakarta, Indonesia  (Indonesia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening relations between Japan and Indonesia through reconstruction from earthquake disaster	* Former Head of Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Agency for Aceh and Nias * Former Head of Presidential Work Unit on Overseeing and Controlling Development	Kuntoro Mangkusubroto	76	South Jakarta, DKI Jakarta, Indonesia  (Indonesia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendship between Japan and Ecuador	* Former Ambassador of Ecuador to Japan * Undersecretary for North America and Europe, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility	Jaime Barberis	65	Quito, Pichincha, Ecuador,  (Ecuador)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening the relationship and mutual understanding between Japan and Australia in the field of the judiciary	* Former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New South Wales * Former Chair of the Judicial Section of the Law Association for Asia and the Pacific	Thomas Frederick Bathurst	75	Sydney, New South Wales, Australia  (Australia/U.K.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendly relations between Japan and Cuba	* Former Ambassador of Cuba to Japan * Professor of Raúl Roa García Higher Institute of International Relations	Eduardo Delgado Bermúdez	80	Playa, Havana, Cuba  (Cuba)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening relations and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and sub-Saharan Africa in the field of agriculture	Former Director General of the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture	Nteranya Sanginga	69	Bukavu, Democratic Republic of the Congo  (Democratic Republic of the Congo)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendship between Japan and Samoa	Former Ambassador of Samoa to Japan	Leiatualesa Tuitolova'a Kilifoti Sisilia Eteuati	78	Apia, Samoa  (Samoa)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contribution to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendship between Japan and Jamaica	Former Ambassador of Jamaica to Japan	Claudia Cecile Barnes	67	Kindston, Jamaica  (Jamaica)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening relationship between Japan and Senegal in the healthcare sector	* Minister of State to the President of the Republic of Senegal * Former Minister of Health and Social Action	Awa Marie Coll Seck	71	Dakar, Senegal  (Senegal)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting academic exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and Sweden	Former President of Karolinska Institutet	Ole Petter Ottersen	68	Stockholm, Stockholm, Sweden  (Norway)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening relations between Japan and Bahrain in the field of Archaeology	* Former President of Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities * Former Minister of Culture	Mai Bint Mohammed Al Khalifa	69	Riffa, Southern Governorate, Bahrain  (Bahrain)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendship between Japan and Pakistan	* Former Ambassador of Pakistan to Japan * Former Special Secretary (Asia Pacific)	Imtiaz Ahmad	61	Islamabad, Pakistan  (Pakistan)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening relations between Japan and the Philippines on national defense	Former Secretary of National Defense	Delfin N. Lorenzana	74	Taguig City, Metro Manila, Philippines  (Philippines)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil in the field of judiciary	Former Minister of the Supreme Labor Court	Fernando Eizo Ono	74	Curitiba, Paraná, Brazil  (Brazil)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening the economic relations between Japan and Brazil	Former Minister of Development, Industry and Foreign Trade	Luiz Fernando Furlan	76	Barueri, São Paulo, Brazil  (Brazil)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendship between Japan and France	Former Secretary General of Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs	François Delattre	59	Berlin, Germany  (France)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening relationship between Japan and France on national defense	Former Minister for the Armed Forces	Florence Parly	59	Paris, Ile-de-France, France  (France)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendship between Japan and Brunei	* Former Permanent Secretary (International Organisations), Ministry of Foreign Affairs * Former Ambassador of Brunei to Japan	Pengiran Indera Negara Pengiran Anak Haji Puteh ibni Al-Marhum Pengiran Pemancha Pengiran Anak Haji Mohamed Alam	72	Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei  (Brunei)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting friendship between Japan and Poland	Former Ambassador of Poland to Japan	Cyryl Kozaczewski	53	Taipei, Taiwan  (Poland)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Taiwan	Former Chairperson of the Taiwan-Japan Relations Association	Chiou I-jen	72	Taipei, Taiwan
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to strengthening the relationship between Japan and the United States on national defense	Former Commander, 374th Airlift Wing, Yokota AB	Andrew J. Campbell	47	Illinois, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to strengthening the relationship between Japan and the United States on national defense	Former Deputy Commander, Fifth Air Force	Leonard J. Kosinski	51	Washington, District of Columbia, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to strengthening the relationship between Japan and the United States on national defense	Former Commander, U. S. Fleet Activities Yokosuka, Japan	Michael Rich Jarrett	48	Washington, District of Columbia, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to strengthening the relationship between Japan and the United States on national defence	Former Director of Plans and Policy, USFJ	Marvin G. Haynes IV	51	Pyeongtaek, Gyeonggi, Republic of Korea  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting academic exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	Karashima Tsukasa Professor Emerita of Japanese Language and Culture, Department of World Languages and Cultures, University of Montana	Judith Nancy Rabinovitch	70	Missoula, Montana, U.S.A.  (U.S.A./Canada)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting digital economy policy and other policies of Japan through the OECD	Director for Science, Technology and Innovation, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development	Andrew Wyckoff	64	Paris, Île-de-France, France  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting mutual understanding in the field of justice between Japan and the United Kingdom	* Barrister * Bencher of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple	Janice Brennan	65	London, London, U.K.  (U.K.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting economic cooperation between Japan and Egypt	Former First Undersecretary of State and Head of the Asian Cooperation Sector, Ministry of International Cooperation	Mona Ahmad	61	Heliopolis, Cairo, Egypt  (Egypt)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting the relationship between Japan and Australia on national defense	Former Chief of Navy, Royal Australian Navy	Michael Noonan	56	Canberra, Australian Capital Territory, Australia  (Australia)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to developing Japanese studies in Australia and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Australia	* Former Professor of Japanese Studies, Monash University * Emeritus Professor of Monash University	Ross Elliott Mouer	78	Croydon North, Victoria, Australia  (Australia/U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting academic exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and Sweden	* Former Professor at Karolinska Institutet * Former Chief of Research and Education at Karolinska University Hospital	Sten Lindahl	78	Sollentuna, Stockholm, Sweden  (Sweden)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting academic exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and Sri Lanka	Former Vice Chancellor of the University of Peradeniya and the Chairman of the Board of University Administration	Upul Bandara Dissanayake	61	Kandy, Central Province, Sri Lanka  (Sri Lanka)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting academic exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and the Republic of Korea	Former Professor, Department of Japanese Language and Studies, Silla University	Choi Kwang Joon	65	Busan, Republic of Korea  (Republic of Korea)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting cooperation between Japan and Denmark in the field of health and medicine	* Former President and Representative Director of Novo Nordisk Pharma Ltd., Japan * Former Chair of EFPIA Japan	Ole Moelskov Bech	63	Charlottenlund, Denmark  (Denmark)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to strengthening cooperation between Japan and the Philippines in the field of ICT	Former Commissioner of National Telecommunications Commission	Gamaliel A. Cordoba	52	Quezon City, NCR, Philippines  (Philippines)



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The Order of Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting academic exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil in the field of judiciary	Former President of the Federal Regional Court of 4th Region	Tadaaqui Hirose	77	Curitiba, Paraná, Brazil  (Brazil)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to strengthening relationship between Japan and France on national defense	Former Delegate General of Armament	Joël Barre	68	Paris, Ile-de-France, France  (France)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to the promotion of trade between Japan and Malaysia	* Former Chief Executive Officer of Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation (MATRADE) * Former Director of Malaysia Tourism Promotion Board (MTPB) Tokyo Office	Wan Latiff Wan Musa	62	Petaling Jaya, Selangor, Malaysia  (Malaysia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to strengthening economic relations between Japan and Myanmar	* Principal, Myanmar-Japan Center * Vice President, Union of Myanmar Federation of Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Myo Thet	68	Hlaing, Yangon, Myanmar  (Myanmar)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and promoting parliamentary exchange between Japan and Mexico	* Former Member of the Congress * Former President of the Mexican-Japanese Congress Friendship Group * Director of the Federal Consumer Agency	Francisco Ricardo Sheffield Padilla	56	León, Guanajuato, México  (Mexico)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting exchanges and friendly relations between Japan and Morocco	Former Honorary Consul General of Japan in Casablanca	Larbi Belarbi	79	Casablanca, Morocco  (Morocco)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon	Contributed to promoting academic exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Taiwan	* Former Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, Pingtung University of Science and Technology * Professor Emeritus, Pingtung University of Science and Technology	Ting Cheh-Shyh	66	Pingtung, Taiwan
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting interregional exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States	Former Chair and Founder of Japan-America Association of South Carolina	Henry M. Burwell	77	Greenville, North Carolina, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting interregional exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Australia	Mayor of Cowra Shire Council	Bill West	73	Cowra, New South Wales, Australia (Australia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting interregional exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and the Netherlands	Mayor of the Municipality of Leiden	Henri Johan Jozef Lenferink	66	Leiden, South Holland, The Netherlands (The Netherlands)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to introducing Japanese culture in China and promoting friendly relations between Japan and China	Chairman of NPO NITTYUBUNKAKOURYUSOKUSHINKAI (NPO Japan-China Cultural Exchange Promotion Association)	Liu Hongyou	61	Nanjing, Jiangsu, China (China)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting academic exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Trinidad and Tobago	* Former Professor, Centre for Language Learning, Faculty of Humanities and Education, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine * Former Director, Centre for Language Learning, Faculty of Humanities and Education, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine	Beverly-Anne Carter	66	Bon Accord, Trinidad and Tobago (Trinidad and Tobago)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting academic exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and the Philippines	Former Professor of University of the Philippines Center for International Studies	Cynthia Neri Zayas	69	Antipolo City, Rizal, Philippines  (Philippines)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to developing Japanese studies in Brazil and the promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil	* Associate Professor of Department of Music Education of Faculty of Humanities and Arts at Paraiba Federal University * Former President of the Brazil-Japan Cultural Association of Paraiba	Alice Lumi Satomi	69	Joao Pessoa, Paraiba, Brazil  (Brazil)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to strengthening relationship between Japan and France on national defense	Former Commander of Space Forces	Michel Friedling	56	Paris, Ile-de-France, France  (France)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to improving the welfare of Japanese Peruvian community and promoting friendship between Japan and Peru	Former President of the Japanese Peruvian Association	Jorge Kunigami Kunigami	73	Lima, Peru  (Peru)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette	Contributed to promoting academic exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Mongolia	Former Director of Paleontological center, Mongolian Academy of Sciences	Rinchen Barsbold	87	Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia  (Mongolia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to improving the social status of Japanese Americans and promoting understanding of Japan in the United States	* Former President of JACL (Japanese American Citizens League) Mile High Chapter * Chair of the Denver Takayama Sister City Committee	Gilbert K. Asakawa	65	Aravada, Colorado, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting economic exchanges between Japan and the United States	* Former Chief Executive Director, JETRO Chicago * JETRO Chicago Special Adviser	Ralph Anthony Inforzato	66	Schaumburg, Illinois, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to improving the welfare of the Japanese community in the United States and promoting friendship between Japan and the United States	* Former Commander, Nisei Veterans Committee, Inc. * Former President of the Board of Directors, Kawabe Memorial House * Executive Director, Nikkei Community Network	Hideo Dale Kaku	82	Mercer Island, Washington, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to introducing Japanese culture to the United States and promoting friendly relations between Japan and the United States	* CEO of the Japanese American Service Committee * Former President of the Japanese American Service Committee * Former Chair of the Chicago Japanese American Council	Michael David Takada	66	Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to introducing Japanese culture in the United States and promoting friendly relations between Japan and the United States	Former Executive Director of San Jose Taiko and Co-Founder of San Jose Taiko	Roy Mitsuru Hirabayashi	72	San Jose, California, U.S.A.  (U.S.A)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to introducing Japanese culture in the United States and promoting friendly relations between Japan and the United States	* Executive Director of Kaji Aso Studio * Part-time Lecturer, School of Museum of Fine Arts, Tufts University	Katharine Finnegan	65	Boston, Massachusetts, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Iran	Former President of JICA Alumni Association in Iran	Ali Razi	61	Karaj, Alborz, Iran  (Iran)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting Japanese language education in India and mutual understanding between Japan and India	* President of Teachers Association of Japanese, Mumbai * Visiting Faculty of University of Mumbai * Interpreter	Sarita Sundaram	56	Mumbai, Maharashtra, India  (India)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting Japanese tea culture in Egypt and friendship between Japan and Egypt	President of Chado Urasenke Tankokai Egypt Association	Tarek Sayed Mohamed	60	Maadi, Cairo, Egypt  (Egypt)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting Ikebana in Canada and friendly relations between Japan and Canada	Former President of the Ikebana International Ottawa Centennial Chapter	Grace Tomiko Furuya	92	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada  (Canada)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to improving the welfare of Japanese community in Canada and promoting friendship between Japan and Canada	* Former President of the Japanese-Canadian Cultural Centre of Montreal * Arashi Daiko Founding Member and Former Representative	Tsuyoshi Terry Yasunaka	89	Montreal, Quebec, Canada  (Canada)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Sri Lanka	Former President of the Japan Sri Lanka Technical & Cultural Association	Sunil Gamini Wijesinha	73	Colombo, Colombo District, Western Province, Sri Lanka  (Sri Lanka)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting cultural exchanges between Japan and Germany through Japanese films	Nippon Connection Film Festival Festival Director	Marion Klomfaß	53	Frankfurt, Hessen, Germany  (Germany)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Nepal	Former President of Nepal AOTS Alumni Society	Amira Dali	70	Kathmandu, Bagmati, Nepal  (Nepal)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to introducing Japanese culture to Brazil and promoting friendly relationship between Japan and Brazil	President of the Association for Cooperation in Culture and Technology Brazil-Japan	Yukari Hamada	64	Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais, Brazil  (Brazil)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to introducing Japanese culture in France and promoting friendly relations between Japan and France	* President of "Yakimono" France-Japan Cultural Association * Former President of France-Japan Association of Franche-Comté	Jean Koubi	78	Besançon, Doubs, Bourgogne-Franche-Comté, France  (France)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to advancing the welfare of Japanese society in Bolivia and promoting friendly relations Japan and Bolivia	* Former President of Japanese Association of La Paz * Former Vice Minister (in charge of Higher Education, Science and Technology)	Carmen Mitsuko Hada Shima	61	La Paz, Bolivia  (Bolivia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting Japanese language education in Malaysia and mutual understanding between Malaysia and Japan	*Associate Professor, Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia (USIM) *Former Head of Japanese Language and Cultural Centre, Faculty of Major Language Studies, USIM	Zoraida Binti Mustafa	52	Kajang, Selangor, Malaysia  (Malaysia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to introducing Japanese culture in Latvia and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Latvia	Translator	Ingūna Beķere	58	Riga Latvia  (Latvia)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting cultural exchange between Japan and Taiwan through Japanese lacquer art	Lacquer Artist	Wang Ching-Shuang	101	Nantou, Taiwan
The Order of the Rising Sun, Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting Karate in Algeria and friendship between Japan and Algeria	President of Japan Karate Association in Algeria	Mouloud Latreche	75	Alger Centre Algiers, Algeria  (Algeria)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Silver Rays	Contributed to introducing Japanese culture to the UAE and promoting friendly relations between Japan and UAE	Public Relations Manager/Arabic Teacher of Japanese School in Abu Dhabi	Farag Barakat Al Sayed Barakat	67	Abu Dhabi City, Abu Dhabi, UAE  (Egypt)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting Karate in Ethiopia and enhancing friendly relations between Japan and Ethiopia	Former Vice President of Ethiopia Karate Federation	Elias Abi chacra	73	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia  (Ethiopia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting regional exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Australia	Honorary Patron of the Australia-Japan Society, ACT Inc.	Ronald James Murray	76	Point Piper, New South Wales, Australia  (Australia)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Silver Rays	Contributed to introducing Japanese culture in Greece and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Greece	Art Collector	Takis Efstathiou	78	Athens, Attica, Greece  (Greece)

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The Order of the Rising Sun, Silver Rays	Contributed to improving social welfare for Japanese descendants in Brazil and promoting friendly relations between Japan and Brazil	Former President, Sports and Cultural Association for Japanese and Japanese Descendants of Promissão	Luiz Yasunaga	86	Promissão, Sao Paulo, Brazil  (Brazil)
The Order of the Rising Sun, Silver Rays	Contributed to promoting friendly relations between Japan and Slovakia through music	Former Principal Cellist of Orchestra Ensemble Kanazawa	Ludovit Kanta	65	Kahoku, Ishikawa, Japan  (Slovakia)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	Former Local Employee, Consulate-General of Japan in Berlin and Embassy of Japan in Germany	Marie-Luise Nagel	66	Berlin, Germany  (Germany)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	Former Local Employee, Embassy of Japan in the Philippines	Adela Ilag Villena	60	Makati City, Metro Manila, Philippines  (Philippines)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	Former Local Employee, Embassy of Japan in Côte d'Ivoire	Gérard Midibahaye Soulama	60	Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire  (Burkina Faso)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	Former Local Employee, Consulate-General of Japan in Chicago	Thomas Lau	72	Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.  (U.S.A.)



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The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	Former Local Employee, Embassy of Japan in Gabon	Jean Ovono Ossima	60	Libreville, Estuaire, Gabon  (Gabon)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	Former Local Employee, Consulate-General of Japan in Hong Kong	Au Kit Yin	60	Hong Kong, China  (China)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	Former Local Employee, Embassy of Japan in New Zealand	Steven Michael Potter	66	Wellington, New Zealand  (New Zealand)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	Former Local Employee, Embassy of Japan in Norway	Estif Rastoder	67	Oslo, Oslo, Norway  (Norway)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	Former Local Employee, The Office of Consul of Japan in Encarnación	Roberto Diego Noguera Ascurra	62	Cambyretá, Itapúa, Paraguay  (Paraguay)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	Former Local Employee, Embassy of Japan in the Philippines	Barbara Barquez Ricafrente	60	Pasay City, Metro Manila, Philippines  (Philippines)

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