# A Training Program For Local Government Officials

Interested in learning about public policy in Japan? Want to live in Japan for 6-12 months?

Then, the Local Government Officials Training Program in Japan (LGOTP) is for you!

We bring local government officials from around the world to undertake a training program at a Japanese local government.

You will spend several months studying at your host government and get directly involved in a specific field of public policy development.

You will also have opportunities to partake in international exchange projects in your host community.



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#### Past training topics include:

#### **Technology Skills Transfer**

## Sharing Cutting-Edge Agricultural Techniques

Kochi Prefecture welcomed a trainee from its international affiliation partner, Benguet, Philippines, and conducted training in the field of agriculture. The trainee studied soil management and obtained a range of cultivation skills such as those necessary for high-quality vegetable production. Japan's cutting-edge technical skills are transferred and implemented through the trainee's experience, providing the basis for agricultural development in Benguet today.



Inspecting soil for indoor cultivation facilities

### **Tourism Promotion**

### Promoting Regional Development through Tourism

With the help of a trainee from China, Oita Prefecture is making its way into the growing tourism boom across Asia. From translating magazine articles to posting on social networks on the web, the trainee has played an active role in highlighting Oita tourism through various Chinese media. The trainee also contributed to creating a strong network among a broad range of organizations, including the governments and people.



Participating at an international cruise ship welcome ceremony (Ms. Jing Xiong, 2014 trainee)

#### **Multiculturalism Promotion**

### Bridging Brazilian Students and Schools

Toyohashi City (Aichi Prefecture) is home to a large population of Brazilians and provides education support for foreign students by inviting a teacher from Brazil as a trainee to assist with classes. By gaining a deep understanding of the Japanese education system, trainees who have completed the program are counted on to become reliable supporters for students who have moved back to Brazil.



Assisting classes for foreign students (Ms. Marcia Keiko Ono, 2014 trainee)

### Build an Enduring Grass-Roots Link with Japan

Open channels of cultural and economic exchange using the contacts you develop while studying at your host local government.



Personal and Professional Growth



### Learn about Japanese Society and Culture

Develop a deeper appreciation for Japan's unique history, culture, natural beauty and hospitable people.

(Ms. Jing Xiong, 2014 trainee)