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Dear Friends,

I have the honour of extending to you an invitation to participate in the annual edition of the **“Japan through Diplomats’ Eyes Photo Exhibition 2022”**. The photo exhibition, which takes place under the high patronage of **Her Imperial Highness Princess TAKAMADO**, is now in its 25<sup>th</sup> year and has served throughout its history as a platform for cultural exchange and friendship between nations. The photo competition is open for participation to Ambassadors, diplomats and spouses.

The theme for the 2022 edition, as agreed by the Executive Committee, is:

***“JAPAN - on the move”***

After two years of challenging times during the novel Coronavirus pandemic, the chosen theme is a reflection of our common desire to be on the move again, here in Japan, in whatever form this may be.

In addition to this, there will also be, like in previous years, an open theme category, with the aim to encourage a participation as wide as possible. This open theme category allows diplomats to take photos of any image or scenery, which they consider to capture the essence of Japan. Any photo, which possibly could be part of your photo album about your stay in Japan, is welcome.

If you wish to participate, please fill out the attached **Entry Form** and send it to **Japan through Diplomats’ Eyes**, to the attention of Mr. Shinobu ABE, Executive Secretary, before **June 24**. The deadline for the submission of your photographs is on **July 29**. More information is available at: <https://www.diplomatseyes.com/>

The opening of the 25<sup>th</sup> annual exhibition will take place on **6 October 2022 at 11:00** at the **Hills Café in Roppongi Hills**. Please save the date in your calendar.

Since 25 years, the initiative “Japan through Diplomat’s Eyes” aims to be a bridge for promoting cultural ties between Japan and our countries and continues to enjoy the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, for which I am grateful.

I would very much hope that you will be part of the “Japan – on the move” photo community in 2022. All photos are welcome and we are looking forward to receiving your entries!

Sincerely,



**Pierre Ferring**

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Chairperson, Executive Committee  
Japan through Diplomats’ Eyes