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JAPAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

To: Member Unions of Asian Rugby

30 May 2019

Dear Sir or Madam,

2nd Asian Rugby Exchange Fest

It has been an exciting time for us with the first-ever Rugby World Cup 2019 in Japan from this September, followed by the Tokyo Olympics 2020, the two sport's biggest events. In order to contribute and accelerate the growth of rugby in Japan and Asia on this unique opportunity, Japan Rugby Football Union would like to cordially invite U14 rugby team from your Union to the above titled Rugby Exchange Fest.

Following last year's success, the 2nd Rugby Exchange Fest will be held in Fukuoka between September 26th and 30th 2019.

The aim of the tournament is to grow and promote the game in Asia and to facilitate international exchange and development for rugby players in Asia who are hoping to compete at the Olympics and Rugby World Cups in the future.

If you are interested in participating in or for further detailed information on the tournament, please send your expression of interest by email by no later than 7 July 2019 to the following contact;

JTB Secretariat of the Asian Rugby Exchange Fest (E-mail: international_kyushu@jtb.com)



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**2nd Asian Rugby Exchange Fest
Outline**

Objectives	The aim of the Rugby Exchange Fest is to grow and develop the game in Asia and to facilitate international exchange and development for rugby players from Asia who are hoping to compete at the Olympics and Rugby World Cup.
Name	2 nd Asian Rugby Exchange Fest
Co-hosts	Japan Rugby Football Union Rugby World Cup 2019 Fukuoka Committee
Organisers	Kyushu Rugby Football Union, Fukuoka Prefecture Rugby Football Union
Support	Munakata City, Munakata Board of Education
Cooperation	TBC
Participation fee	Free
Rugby Fest Dates	Thursday 26 to Monday 30 September 2019
Venue:	Global Arena (46-1 Yoshidome, Munakata, Fukuoka)
Participant Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 12 players Males born between 2 April 2005 and 1 April 2007, who have been recommended by their national governing body (union), which should be a member of Asia Rugby- Up to 3 coaches
Transport & accommodation costs	The Rugby Fest hosts will be responsible for the costs during the participants' stay in Fukuoka (accommodation from 26 to 30 September, local transport within the prefecture, etc.). The hosts will provide each team with a maximum of JPY ¥100,000 total (around USD \$910, as of May 2019) for international flights to and from Fukuoka, and the rest should be covered by participating teams.
Activities	26 Sept: Rugby World Cup Pool Match: Italy v Canada in Fukuoka 27 Sept: XRugby Course and Rugby Clinic 28-29 Sept: XRugby Exchange Tournament
Injuries	During the matches, the hosts will arrange a healthcare professional or safety assistant. However, medical staff from each team are allowed to contribute (wearing bibs).



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In addition, in the case of injury during matches, while simple support such as taping will be provided, other treatments will need to be provided by the team. For this, each team or individual should prepare a first aid kit. If an ambulance is required, the hosts (through the tournament head office) will arrange this.

Anything that happens during the matches or at the venues is the responsibility of the teams/parties involved.

Match rules for the Exchange Tournament

- 1) The match rules will follow World Rugby's 2019 XRugby Laws
- 2) All matches will be played with 7 minutes per half, with a 2 minutes half time.
- 3) The number of matches will depend on the number of participating teams.

Schedule

	Schedule	
	Morning	Afternoon
Thursday 26 Sept	Arrival in Fukuoka	RWC match (Italy v Canada) 16:45 at Fukuoka Hakatanomori Stadium
Friday 27 Sept	XRugby Course and Rugby Clinic (Global Arena)	
Saturday 28 Sept	XRugby Exchange Tournament Day 1 (Global Arena)	
Sunday 29 Sept	XRugby Exchange Tournament Day 2 (Global Arena)	
Monday 30 Sept	Departure from Fukuoka	

Participating Teams

1. Teams recommended by each rugby union of the countries/territories which are the members of Asia Rugby (approx..10 countries)
2. Teams which have been recommended by the prefectural union in Kyushu Rugby Football Union (approx.. 6 teams)



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Exchange Fest Application for international team

Application opens Monday 10 June 2019
Application closes Sunday 7 July 2019

Please send a completed application form (attached 'Union Participation Form') by email to the following address:

JTB Secretariat of the Asian Rugby Exchange Fest
international_kyushu@jtb.com
Business hours: Mon-Fri 9:30 – 17:30 (JST)
Closed on Saturdays, Sundays and Japanese national holidays

- Participating teams will be confirmed on a first come first served basis of applications received during the application period. Each team will be informed of the result after the application period ends.
- As a general rule, one team may participate per country/territory. However, if you wish to apply for more than one teams, please write so in your email when sending the application. Please note that no extra funds will be provided from the hosts for flights for extra teams.
- The hosts will consider if multiple teams from a country/territory can participate in, only when the number of applied teams is not enough at the close of application period. Each Union will be noticed the result after the hosts have made a decision.
- If participating teams stay outside of the dates designated by the hosts (before 26 and after 30 September) or bring persons who do not fulfill the participant requirements, the cost of transport and accommodation for these dates/persons will be borne by the participating teams.

If you have any inquiries, please do not hesitate to contact;

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We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Noriyuki SAKAMOTO
Chairman
Japan Rugby Football Union

CC; Kenichi Fujinaga,
 President, RWC2019 Fukuoka Committee