

World Confederation of Past Pupils of Don Bosco - National Report

Details

Country:

JAPAN

Name of Province: JAPAN Province

Name of National/Provincial Federation:
The Japan Federation of the Past Pupils of Don Bosco

Date of Foundation: 21/02/2015

President:
Mr. Shinya YOKOYAMA

Secretary:

Mr. Mitsuhiro SEKIGUCHI Tateishi

Delegate: Fr. Shin MISHIMA sdb

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List of Provincial Federations:

List of Local Unions: (5 associations)
Ikuei Gakuin Salesian Polytechnic Alumni Association
Hyuga Gakuin Alumni Association
Osaka Seiko Gakuin Alumni Association
Salesio Gakuin Alumni Association
Salesio Elementary and Junior high school Alumni Association

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Give a short description of the Activities in your Federation: (Not more than 150 words for every activity):

There are 5 Salesian school almuni associations in Japan.

Their activities are publication of alumni newsletter once a year, organizing reunion events such as social gatherings, organizing financial support for students, and so on.

In May of 2015, Japan Federation was founded. This is one of the fruits of the bicentenary of the birth of Don Bosco.

In the Japan Federation, representatives from Local Unions meet to learn about the spirit of Don Bosco, share ideas for revitalising alumni associations and cooperate with Salesian youth support activities.

The board meets once a year and Working Team meet several times a year to plan and manage projects.

The finances of the Japan Federation are made up of contributions from each alumni association, donations from individuals and the distribution of alumni badges.

Give up to 3 examples of best practices in your Federation: (Not more than 150 words for every best practice):

1) Alumni badges

As a symbol of unity among Japanese alumni, the Japan Federation has produced badges with the portrait of Don Bosco and the words 'Salesio Alumni Japan' engraved on them, which are distributed free of charge to all alumni. The badges are purchased by each Local association from the Japan Federation, with the proceeds forming part of the funds for the Japan Federation's activities.

2) Don Bosco Friendship between East Timor and Japan

In April 2021, during covid-19 pandemic, we heard that many people in East Timor have been affected by the great flood.

We can never forget the friendship and hospitality we received from the people in East Timor for many years.

We donated what we have been able to collect among Don Bosco's past and current pupils, for the work of Salesian projects to relieve the victims of the flood.

Ambassador Ilídio Ximenes da Costa of the Embassy of East Timor in Japan, who was aware of our emergency assistance movement, also cooperated with the assistance as an alumni of Don Bosco of East Timor. And he invited representatives of the Ikuei Gakuin Alumni Association, who have been interacting with East Timor for many years, to the embassy. We hope to continue to deepen its friendship with the Friends of Don Bosco in Timor-Leste.

3) Project to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Salesians arrival in Japan

Salesians in Japan will celebrate the 100th anniversary of its arrival in Japan on 8 February 2026. The Japan Federation of Alumni Associations is preparing various projects to provide a good opportunity to learn about the history of each school, share the passion of the Salesian members and collaborators who have inherited their projects and connect them to the future. It is planned to collect episodes from Salesians, teachers and alumni, share them on their website and social networking sites, and dedicate them at the centenary Mass. It is also planned that through the distribution of coffee from Timor-Leste in Japan, the Japanese alumni will connect with the children and Salesians in Don Bosco's orphanage in

Proceeds from the activities are planned to be donated to the Salesian youth support activities in Japan.

Any other information:

Timor-Leste, in solidarity.

With this report you can also attach a limited selection of your best photos or videos which refer to activities or best practices in your national report.

Japan Federation board members



Working team members



Alumni badges



With the Ambassador of the Embassy of East Timor in Japan

