ASEAN-JAPAN Workshop on Promoting Gender Equality in Sports

Workshop Overview

Official title: ASEAN-JAPAN Workshop on Promoting Gender Equality in Sports

Dates: Tue, 10th August 2021 - Fri, 13th August 2021

Formality: Online webinar

Co-organisers: ASEAN Secretariat, Japan Sports Agency

Partners: UN Women Japan Liaison Office & UN Women Indonesia and Liaison to ASEAN

Implementing agency: Japanese Center for Research on Women in Sport (JCRWS) at Juntendo University

Main lecturers: Global leaders such as Dr. Guylaine Demers from Canada, winner of the 2020 IOC Women and Sport Award for the Americas, and Dr. Lombe Mwambwa from University of Zambia, President of NOWSPAR, which supports women's empowerment through sports, were invited as main facilitators.

Objectives: A four-day workshop will be held in the light of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games to strengthen cooperation between ASEAN and Japan by promoting gender equality in sports.

With a view to achieving a gender-equal society and promoting women's sports participation in the ASEAN region, and with its commitment to support the achievement on Gender Equality (SDGs Goal 5), government officials from ASEAN Member States, a representative of the Women in Sports Commission at their respective National Olympic Committees (NOCs) and young women’s leaders will gather online to develop a feasible action plan for fostering women’s sports and to develop the next generation of women’s leaders.

Target of “ASEAN-JAPAN Workshop on Promoting Gender Equality in Sports”

1. To develop an action plan for each ASEAN country to promote the participation of women in sports in ASEAN.
2. To empower young women in ASEAN countries through life skills and leadership training in sports.

Participants: Approximately 60 representatives from 10 ASEAN Member States, Japan and ASEAN Secretariat.

Young women’s sport leaders

・ Two (2) women (18-25 years old) from ASEAN Member States respectively.
・ Five (5) members of UNESCO’s Youth Task Force on Sports for SDGs from ASEAN Member States.
・ Two (2) university students from Japan.

Policy makers

・ One (1) central government representative from his/her respective country.
・ One (1) local government representative from his/her respective country.
・ One (1) representative of the Women in Sport Commission of each NOC from his/her respective country.

※Participants are requested to be fully prepared in each country for the period of workshop. Participants are allowed to participate virtually (online) depending on the situation in their respective countries (COVID-19, security, etc.)

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