



[Yokohama International School students board the Marine Shuttle]

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Morocco Business Seminar reports on economic environment and Japanese investment

JETRO and the City of Yokohama presented the Morocco Business Seminar on Thursday, May 10. Mr. Othman El Ferdaous, the Secretary of State for Investment and assistant to the Minister of Industry, Investment, Trade and Digital Economy, and H.E. Mr. Mohammed Rachad Bouhlal, the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Kingdom of Morocco to Japan, delivered lectures at the seminar. It was reported that Japanese companies entering Morocco are developing dynamically, generating high profits, creating substantial employment, and are greatly contributing to the development of the Moroccan economy.



In April, the governments of Morocco and Japan produced a Joint Declaration to strengthen their cooperative relationship, and further direct investment by Japanese companies is expected.

JETRO's local office manager and representatives from Japanese companies involved in Morocco also provided valuable information with a description of the nation's excellent investment environment to the approximately 100 attendees.

Japan's biggest dance festival opening in Yokohama this summer

The triennial arts festival embracing all genres of dance, "Dance Dance Dance @ YOKOHAMA 2018" is set to take the stage on August 4.

For the first time at this festival, Yokohama will welcome Ms. Dominique Hervieu, the Artistic Director of its sister city Lyon, France's "Lyon Dance Biennale," who will serve as Director of this festival to present a coordinated program.



Lyon and Yokohama will celebrate 60 years of sister city relations next year in 2019, but this summer will give citizens an early opportunity to experience the art of Lyon. One such piece is "Triple Bill," a collaborative project co-produced by France and Japan especially for this festival, which will then join the official program of the Japonismes 2018 cultural exposition scheduled to tour France. In addition, some of the world's top dance companies, as selected by Ms. Hervieu, and many other outstanding artists will perform during the festival, so please look forward to it!

Dance Dance Dance @ YOKOHAMA 2018 official site:

<https://dance-yokohama.jp/>

(English version scheduled for June)



YIS middle school students take boat tour to observe the Port of Yokohama

Middle school students from Yokohama International School (YIS) toured the Port of Yokohama via the Marine Shuttle on May 23.



The curriculum for sixth-year students of YIS includes learning about the history and trade of the City of Yokohama itself. This field trip to the port gave them an excellent opportunity to see the actual container ships and cranes that help drive trade for the city, as well as locate the related ports and buildings through a scavenger hunt-type activity.

