



**【Business matching at Da Nang Urban Development Forum】**

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## Economics Department Symposium opens during "International Week 2017 – Germany" at KU

The "International Week 2017 - Germany," held by Kanagawa University, was attended by Director General Sekiyama of the International Affairs Bureau, who gave a speech at the symposium by the Economics Department on June 8.



He spoke warmly about the strong connections shared by Yokohama and Germany, such as the Frankfurt Representative Office, youth exchange programs, the sister port at Hamburg, and the Goethe Institute Japan, the German culture center established at the Yokohama International Center in March 2016.

Additionally, the Goethe Institute conducted mini-lessons to acquaint participants with the German language on June 9 and 11.



## 6th Da Nang Urban Development Forum held in Yokohama

The 6th Da Nang Urban Development Forum, jointly presented by the City of Yokohama and Da Nang City through the Y-PORT Project, on June 13 and 14 in Yokohama.

Forum participants from Da Nang were invited to tour the recently renovated Yokohama City Central Wholesale Market, the Kanazawa Incineration Plant, and the Kanazawa Recyclable Resources Separation Center on June 13.



The Forum on June 14 welcomed Vice Chairman of the Da Nang People's Committee, Mr. Nguyen Ngoc Tuan, the heads of Planning and Investment, Agriculture, Industry and Trade, and other Departments of the Da Nang government, and many private enterprises from Yokohama for a total of 123 participants. Ideas on inter-city cooperative solutions to a wide variety of problems related to urban development such as waste management, energy saving, port redevelopment, and other critical topics were presented for discussion, and the forum also allowed attendees a platform for networking.

## France Ambassador visits Yokohama, Mayor

The Republic of France's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, H.E. Mr. Laurent Pic, visited Yokohama and met with Mayor Hayashi on June 22.



During their meeting, the two discussed the city's upcoming 60th year of sister city relations in 2019 with Lyon, France, as well as the current "Month of France" organized by the Institut français du Japon - Yokohama. Also introduced were the city's contributions to the Franco-Japanese initiative in Africa to bolster development in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, and many other diverse connections between France and Yokohama.

