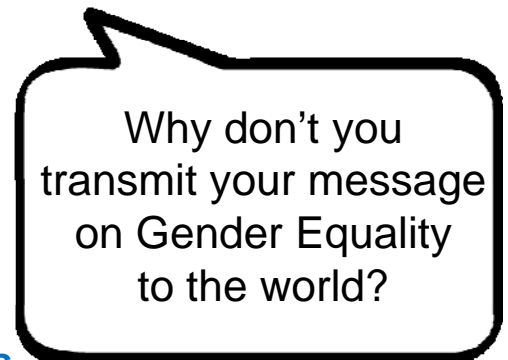


Kitakyushu Forum on Asian Women

Recruitment for

22nd KFAW Foreign Correspondents Program



- ✓ **Submission of the reports under the theme of Gender Equality**
(3 times a year: June, November, February)
- ✓ **Available for all ages, sexes and nationalities**

Kitakyushu Forum on Asian Women (KFAW) is pleased to announce its FY2012 recruitment of our foreign correspondents. KFAW foreign correspondents program aims at expanding an information network through reports on the status of women in the world. So far 257 correspondents from 38 countries have reported their cultures, women's status and social issues from gender perspective.

The main theme of the 22nd Foreign Correspondents Program is "Striving for the creation of communities where both men and women can fully demonstrate their potential equally."

We suppose every country or region might have expressions or customs based on stereotypical gender roles. These are challenges to be addressed by society as a whole to make use of full capacities of men and women. We would like you to give us your original reports on how men and women equally take active parts in society free from stereotyped perception for gender roles.

See inside for how to apply 🎵

Application Guidelines of the 22nd KFAW Foreign Correspondents

1. Number of Recruits

3 persons

2. Qualifications

- (1) KFAW is soliciting foreign correspondents who are residents principally in the Asia Pacific region excluding Japan. (Nationality or gender is not a factor.)
- (2) Correspondents must be able to participate from July 2012 to March 2013 and turn in 3 reports in June (the application report), November and February either in Japanese or English.
- (3) Correspondents may be requested to also respond to KFAW questions about socioeconomic, educational and/or gender areas related to their specific country.
- (4) Correspondents must cooperate with KFAW for their international exchange and publicity activities including distribution of the KFAW newsletter.

3. Application

Applicants must submit the following items to KFAW by June 30, 2012 (Sat.) through e-mail (info@kfaw.or.jp).

- (1) Application form (profiles within 150 words in English)
⇒ You can download the application form from our website (<http://www.kfaw.or.jp>)
- (2) 1st Report (Up to 1,200 Japanese characters or up to 700 English words.)
※ If you are selected as a foreign correspondent, you must submit other two reports.
- (3) Photograph/s related to your report with caption. (Please reduce the total size of pictures less than 3MB)

4. Honorarium

8,000 Japanese yen per report. (only for successful applicants)

The honorarium will be paid to all correspondents in a lump sum after all reports have been submitted during the term.

If you are unable to fulfill your duties mid-course, the honorarium including the amount for the reports submitted will not be paid.

5. Other

- (1) KFAW will notify all applicants about selection results (In late July).
- (2) The copyright for the reports and photographs submitted to KFAW by applicants/correspondents will belong to KFAW.
- (3) The submitted reports will be carried in Asian Breeze, our periodical newsletter or on our website. In this case, KFAW will edit your original text, sometimes by revising and/or deleting portions of the text.

*** For more details, please visit our website <http://www.kfaw.or.jp/index.html.en>**

Main Theme

“Striving for the creation of communities where both men and women can fully demonstrate their potential equally”

Under the main theme, you can freely choose specific topics listed below. Please keep gender perspective in your reports.

[Topics]

Sports in my Country

What sports currently gain popularity in your country?
Write with emphasis on sports and women’s participation.

How to Spend Time with your Family

How do you spend time with your family? Write from the perspective of communication between children and their parents as well as from the perspective of society and the life environment surrounding children. Cases of your friends or colleagues are also acceptable.

Child Education

Are there any education gaps between boys and girls in your country? How their parents consider the gaps?

Job Hunting Activities by Young People in my Country and Companies that are Popular among them

Is there a gap between young men and women in terms of the awareness of employment? Write about the job hunting situations of young people including differences in the ways of thinking between men and women.

Young Female Leaders for the Future

How would you describe the “young female leader for the next generation”? Is there any model leader in your community, company/organization or country/region? What type of characteristics does she have?

The Internet and Change of Lifestyle

Based on your experience, write about the relationship between daily life and the Internet from a wide range of perspectives, such as love, marriage, and families.

Topics Related to Gender in my Country

Write about gender equality and social trends toward the improvement of the status of women, and legal systems in your country as well as how people in your country think about them and your own opinions.



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2012-2013 Schedule for the 22nd Foreign Correspondents Program

By June 30
2012

- Submission of the first report and application form.

July
2012

- Announcement of the selection result
- Submission of the consent form (only for successful applicants)

October
2012

- (Introduction of the correspondents' profiles and the first report on our website or *Asian Breeze*)

November 1
2012

- Deadline of the second report

February 1
2013

- Deadline of the third report

February
2013

- (Introduction of the second report on our website or *Asian Breeze*)

March
2013

- Honorarium paid to your account

June
2013

- (Introduction of the third report on our website or *Asian Breeze*)