Tokyo Metropolitan Government WHAT'S UP

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Dear colleagues,

We are sending you Vol. 3 of Tokyo Metropolitan Government: WHAT'S UP, the email newsletter issued by the International Affairs Division of the Tokyo Metropolitan Government.

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(1) Governor Koike attends the Zero Carbon City International Forum held on March 17

Governor Koike attended the online Zero Carbon City International Forum, organized by Japan's Ministry of the Environment, and introduced some of the Tokyo Metropolitan Government's initiatives for decarbonization, including its urban cap-and-trade program, the first of its kind in the world, and Tokyo's provision of policy support focused on buildings to Kuala Lumpur. She also spoke about Tokyo's promotion of hydrogen energy and green finance initiatives.

Participants at this session, including the Mayor of Kuala Lumpur, Governor of Hawaii, Mayor of Chefchaouen, Mayor of Bonn, Leader of Glasgow City Council, and Japan's Minister of the Environment, discussed the importance of the role of cities and cooperation between cities.

Please use the following links to access a recorded video of the meeting and a detailed program.

Video of the meeting (YouTube)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g44RSHL4OCs

*Governor Koike's presentation starts 26 min 54 sec into the video.

Zero Carbon City International Forum program

https://www.iges.or.jp/en/events/20210317

Governor Koike will take part in the Leading Industry Transformation Session of the World Economic Forum's Global Technology Governance Summit. The governor plans to speak about the future of Tokyo's digital transformation. The session can be viewed on the forum's website. We hope that you can find the time to watch it.

Session date and time: Wednesday, April 7, 2021, from 9:00 to 9:45 p.m. (Japan Standard Time), 1:00 to 1:45 p.m. (GMT)

Site where the session can be viewed: https://www.weforum.org/events/global-technology-governance-summit-2021

(3) Tokyo releases a message with fellow CHANGE member cities on International Women's Day (March 8)

In honor of International Women's Day, March 8, Governor Koike and other leaders of CHANGE member cities jointly released a message titled "On International Women's Day, we must not let a year of Covid reverse decades of progress in gender equality".

Tokyo, Barcelona, Freetown, London, Los Angeles, and Mexico City established the City Hub and Network for Gender Equity (CHANGE) in November 2020. The network of cities aims to pursue gender equality. The International Women's Day message is available on CHANGE's official social media account (Twitter) and its website. We hope that you will visit both sites.

Official website

https://citieschange.org/

CHANGE official Twitter account

https://twitter.com/CitiesChange/status/1368912591624564739

The Tokyo Metropolitan Government is working to realize gender equality, including eliminating the gender gap in employment rate and disparity in wages.

(4) Introduction to the construction of rainwater storage facilities as a climate change adaptation measure.

In October 2019, Typhoon Hagibis caused a record maximum hourly rainfall of 72mm in western Tokyo. Due to the effects of climate change, the risk of typhoons growing stronger than ever, torrential rain, and other natural disasters is increasing.

To prevent and reduce damage from natural disasters and make Tokyo a more resilient city, the Tokyo Metropolitan Government is advancing the construction of hard infrastructure. This time, we would like to introduce Virtual Reality (VR) Tours of Tokyo Sewerage System. This feature on the Bureau of Sewerage's website provides 360-degree virtual tours inside systems for flood damage mitigation including a sewer system under construction and facilities that temporarily store rainwater when torrential rain occurs. Click here to experience the rarely seen inside of these underground structures. Please also click here to view a leaflet titled Tokyo Sewerage Systems: Sustainable Solutions for Global Challenges, which also contains information on flood control measures being undertaken by Tokyo's Bureau of Sewerage.

(5) Special online tour: Cherry blossom season is here!

Although Japan is beautiful all year round, it would not be an exaggeration to say that spring is the best season to travel here. *Hanami*, literally flower viewing, an old Japanese custom, also takes place here in the spring when the cherry blossoms bloom. This year, however, COVID-19 has made it difficult to travel to Japan, as well as to take part in flower viewing festivities. Therefore, we have prepared some images of *hanami* for you to enjoy online until the day comes when visitors can return to Japan to appreciate the blossoms once more. The site below introduces one of Tokyo's most famous cherry blossom viewing locations—Chidorigafuchi. The view of flower petals floating on the surface of the water adds to the beautiful atmosphere. Please enjoy.

·Chidori-ga-fuchi Moat -Tokyo's postcard-perfect cherry blossom spot-

https://www.gotokyo.org/en/spot/45/index.html (The photos shown are from spring 2019.)

Please check out the social media accounts managed by the TMG International PR Team.

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Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/TokyoGov/

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCfgVNWo4kogGJGcb2nG-Hw

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/tokyo gov/

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https://www.seisakukikaku.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/en/diplomacy/

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- (1) 脱炭素都市国際フォーラム (3/17) への知事出席

小池知事が、環境省主催「脱炭素都市国際フォーラム」のプレナリーセッションに参加し、世界に 先駆けて導入した都市型キャップ&トレード制度や、建築物対策におけるクアラルンプール市への政 策支援のほか、水素エネルギーやグリーンファイナンスなど、都の脱炭素化に向けた取組を紹介しま した。

このセッションには、クアラルンプール市長、ハワイ州知事、シャウエン市長、ボン市長、グラスゴーLeader of Council のほか、日本の環境大臣も出席し、都市の役割の重要性や都市間連携について議論しました。

会議の録画とプログラムの詳細は、以下のリンクからご覧ください。

会議動画 (YouTube)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g44RSHL40Cshttps://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g44RSHL40Cs ※小池知事の発言は 26 分 54 秒

会議プログラム

https://www.iges.or.jp/en/events/20210317

(2) 世界経済フォーラム主催 Global Technology Governance Summit (4/7) に知事が登壇します 世界経済フォーラムの Global Technology Governance Summit の Leading Industry Transformation セッションに知事が登壇します。東京のデジタルトランスフォーメーションとその未来について、知事が発言を予定しています。セッションは世界経済フォーラム HP で視聴可能ですので、ぜひご覧下さい。

セッション開催日時: 2021 年 4 月 7 日 (水) $21:00\sim21:45$ (JST) ($13:00\sim13:45$ (GMT)) 視聴サイト: https://www.weforum.org/events/global-technology-governance-summit-2021

(3) 世界女性デー (3/8) に CHANGE 加盟都市とともにメッセージを発表

3月8日の国際女性デーに合わせて小池知事は、CHANGE 加盟都市の市長たちと連名で「COVID-19 のパンデミックにより、何十年にも亘り進められてきた男女平等に向けた世界的な取組を無駄にしてはいけない」というメッセージを発信しました。

CHANGE は、都が、バルセロナ、フリータウン、ロンドン、ロサンゼルス、メキシコシティとともに 2020 年 11 月に設立した、男女平等参画のための都市間ネットワークです。メッセージは CHANGE の公式 SNS に掲載しています。公式サイトと併せてご覧ください。

公式サイト

https://citieschange.org/

CHANGE 公式 SNS

https://twitter.com/CitiesChange/status/1368912591624564739

東京都は、男女の就業率や賃金の差の解消など、男女平等の実現に取組んでいます。

(4) ~気候変動適応策「雨水貯留施設等の整備」の紹介~

2019 年 10 月の台風 19 号 (Typhoon Hagibis) は、東京西部に時間最大 72mm の記録的豪雨をもたらしました。気候変動の影響によりこれまで経験したことがない台風の強大化、豪雨など自然災害のリスクが高まっています。

東京都は自然災害の被害を回避・軽減し、東京をより強靭な都市とするために、ハードインフラの整備を進めています。今回は、浸水被害を軽減するための下水道の工事現場や、豪雨の時に一時的に雨水を貯めておく雨水貯留施設などの施設内部を、360度、自由に見て回ることができる「東京下水道 VR」を紹介します。普段は見ることのできない地下施設の内部をぜひご体験ください。東京都の下水道事業における浸水対策等については、リーフレットもあわせてご参照ください。

(5) スペシャルオンラインツアー: 桜の季節が到来!

四季折々の魅力がありますが、日本への旅行のベストシーズンは春といっても過言ではありません。そして、古くから日本の風習である春の行事「花見」。新型コロナによりこの春は日本への渡航や、お花見は困難な状況ですが、いつかまた足を運んで見に行けるその日まで、この映像でオンライン花見をお楽しみください。都内屈指の桜の名所である「千鳥ヶ淵」を紹介します。水面に花びらが浮かんでいる姿も風情があります。どうぞご覧ください!

・Chidori-ga-fuchi Moat -Tokyo's postcard-perfect cherry blossom spot-(東京・千鳥ヶ淵の桜) https://www.gotokyo.org/en/spot/45/index.html (リンク先の写真は 2019 年の春の様子)

東京都海外広報担当の SNS もぜひご覧ください。

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YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCfgVNWo4kogGJGcb2nG-Hw

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東京都政策企画局外務部

https://www.seisakukikaku.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/en/diplomacy/

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