



The 31st JAPANESE SPEECH CONTEST in BRUNEI DARUSSALAM



APPLICATION OUTLINE

■ DATE AND VENUE OF THE CONTEST

The contest will be held on **Saturday 3 March, 2018**, at **School of Aviation Sultan Saiful Rijal College, IBTE**.

■ CONTEST

- 1) All contestants will compete by presenting their own original speech in Japanese.
- 2) All contestants will compete in one of the three categories: i.e. Beginner, Advanced or Open category.

■ ELIGIBILITY BY CATEGORY

All contestants must meet the following criteria specific to their category:

1) Beginner Category

1. Contestants have studied the Japanese language for less than or equal to 2 years as of **11 January 2018***.
2. Contestants must not have stayed in Japan for more than a total of 3 months since the age of six.
3. Contestants must reside in Brunei Darussalam.
4. Contestants must not be native Japanese speakers.

2) Advanced Category

1. Contestants have no restriction on their years of study.
2. Contestants must not have stayed in Japan for more than a total of 2 years since the age of six.
3. Contestants must not have previously won first prize in the Advanced level category of this contest.
4. Contestants must be citizens or permanent residents of Brunei Darussalam (i.e. yellow, red or purple identity card holders).
5. Contestants must not be native Japanese speakers.

3) Open Category

1. Contestants who are not eligible for 1) and 2)
2. Contestants must not be native Japanese speakers.

* Calculation of years of instruction must include all years taken by the contestant since his/her admission to secondary education, up to the closing date of registration (11 January 2018). The Organizing Committee will have the final word on the eligibility and placement of participants in the appropriate category.

■ TITLE AND CONTENT OF THE SPEECHES

- 1) Contestants are free to choose their title and subject but should avoid political, religious or controversial topics.
- 2) Contestants are required to write their own original speeches.
- 3) No use of notes/ scripts on stage will be recommended (points deducted)

■ SPEECH DURATION

Beginner: 2 minutes
Advanced: 3 minutes
Open: 3 minutes

*Points deducted if speech exceeds the time limit.

■ ORDER OF SPEECH PRESENTATION

The order of speech presentation in the contest will be decided by the organizer.

■ APPLICATION

Online Application can be done from the address or the QR cord below:

Please register by **4:00 pm on 11 January 2018** by online at <https://tinyurl.com/JSC2017AppForm> (or you can use QR cord below) brunei.jsc@gmail.com. A soft copy of the speech script written in Japanese and the summary of the speech in English must be sent by email attachment in Microsoft® Word format to the above address by **3 February 2018**. No application will be accepted after the deadline.



The organising committee reserves the right to reject any application on the grounds that it represents a risk of adversely affecting the reputation of the competition or its organisers.

■ CERTIFICATES & PRIZES

Contestants will be awarded a certificate of participation. Winner certificates and prizes will be awarded to the 1st place winners in the Beginner and Advanced categories. The winner of the 1st place winner in the Advance category will be invited to Japan in October 2018. In addition, 2nd and 3rd place certificates and prizes will be awarded in the Beginner and Advanced categories. The decisions of the judging panel are final.

■ COPYRIGHT OF THE SPEECH AND YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

The copyright of the speech will belong to the organiser. Your personal information provided for the speech contest and part or whole of your speech may be used to promote the contest or Japanese language education in general.