Join the Event

World Lake Day 2026 International Event

My Lake, My Story : Creating Environmental, Social, and Economic Value for Lakes

※World Lake Day

Proclaimed by the United Nations in 2024, World Lake Day is observed annually on 27 August to raise global awareness of the value of lakes and the importance of their conservation.

27 August 2026 (Thu)

4:00–6:00 p.m. JST

Venue: AEON Hall, AEON Mall Kusatsu

Hybrid Event | Japanese–English Simultaneous Interpretation Available

◆ Lake Impact Challenge: Presentations on lake conservation by youth from around the world

◆ Experience global collaboration through live connections with Indonesia, Malaysia, Tanzania, and other countries.

◆ Free to attend | Everyone is welcome!

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World Lake Day 2026International Event Program

World Lake Day provides an opportunity to showcase the initiatives of youth and local communities, inspiring action and strengthening international cooperation for the conservation and sustainable use of lakes.

16:00–16:25 | Opening Session

① Opening Remarks: Yasuo Takahashi, Vice President, ILEC
② Messages from United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Government of Indonesia
③ Introduction Video of World Lake Day

16:25–17:50 | Lake Impact Challenge: Youth Presentations on Enhancing the Value of Lakes

① Introduction of the Commentators
② Presenter Introduction Video and Presentations

<Presenting Teams>

- R Kids, Shiga Local SDGs Study Group (Japan)
- Za Okishima (Japan)
- IVUSA MLGs Team, International Volunteer University Student Association (Japan)
- IVUSA Obana Team, International Volunteer University Student Association (Japan)
- TANAKAMI Children's Environmental Club (Japan)
- Eco Club Ainomachi (Japan)
- Ritsumeikan Moriyama Highschool (Japan)
- The Planet Prodigy (Malaysia)
- Tanzanian Team
- Indonesian Team

Q&A and Comments from the Commentators and Audience Commentators

- Vice Governor of Shiga Prefecture
- Keiko Omori, Director-General, Environmental Management Bureau, Ministry of the Environment, Japan
- Shigeo Fujii, Director of ILEC / Senior Director, The Lake Biwa Environmental Research Institute
- Adelina Santos-Borja (Online), Chair, Scientific Committee, ILEC (Philippines)

17:50–18:00 | Closing Session

- Youth Commitment
- Message from the Water Institute, Tanzania (Host of the 21st World Lake Conference)
- Closing Remarks

How to Participate

Free Admission • Japanese–English Simultaneous Interpretation Available

Participation Options

① In-Person: AEON Hall, AEON Mall Kusatsu (300 Shinhamacho, Kusatsu, Shiga, Japan)
② Live Viewing at the Mall: Central Court, AEON Mall Kusatsu
③ Online Participation: Advance registration is required. Please scan the QR code on the right.

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