## The 4th Japanese Language Composition Speech Contest in Vietnam

On April 17, the Komaru-Koutsu Foundation (Head Office: Fukuyama City, Hiroshima Prefecture; Administrative Director: Shigehiro Komaru; hereinafter referred to as the "Komaru-Koutsu Foundation") held the 4th Japanese Language Composition Speech Contest at the Head Office of Fukuyama Transporting Co., Ltd. in cooperation with Hiroshima University Vietnam Center and Vietnam National University - Ho Chi Minh City. This was the first time for the contest to be held remotely connecting Japan and Vietnam amid the spread of COVID-19.

The contest received 101 applicants from 12 universities, among which 12 outstanding candidates selected by screening process, delivered their speeches under the theme of "transportation." The grand prize was awarded to Ms. Huynh Nhat Phuong Uyen from the Foreign Trade University, who gave the following speech: "By each of us paying attention to the small things, we can save not only our own lives but also the lives of others."

Mr. Nobuhiro Watanabe, Consul General of the Consulate-General of Japan in Ho Chi Minh City as a guest of honor, and Mr. Toshiyuki Sato, Executive Vice President of Hiroshima University and Dr. Ngo Thi Phuong Lan, President of the University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam National University - Ho Chi Minh City as organizers attended the contest.

## [Participating Universities]

Ho Chi Minh City University of Foreign Languages and Information Technology, Vietnam-Japan Institute of Technology, Ba Ria - Vung Tau University, Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology, Ho Chi Minh City University of Law, Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City - University of Technology, Lac Hong University, Van Hien University, Hong Bang International University, Ho Chi Minh City University of Economics and Finance, Foreign Trade University, Ho Chi Minh City University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City - University of Social Sciences and Humanities





Participants

Speech contest venue