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[FAO Liaison Office Director addresses students at Hie Elementary]

FAO Liaison Office Director speaks to students from Hie Elementary School about food loss

On July 4, Director Mbuli Charles Boliko from the United Nation's Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Liaison Office in Japan visited Hie Elementary School in Minami Ward and gave a lecture to 210 5th-and 6th-year students about food distribution, loss, and waste around the world and encouraged them to think about how they could help.



Reducing food loss is a target identified in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) adopted by the U.N., and both the Yokohama Resources and Waste Recycling Bureau and the FAO Liaison Office work toward achieving it.

Director Boliko's visit was arranged as part of a study program by the bureau in collaboration with Hie Elementary, which promotes Education for Sustainable Development (ESD).

Following the talk, the Director joined the fifth-year children for school lunch.

TICAD7 in Yokohama: UNDP Seminar held at two universities in Yokohama

The United Nations Development Programme's (UNDP) TICAD Programme Advisor, Mr. Shigeki Komatsubara, spoke by invitation in seminars on the topic of "African Development and TICAD" at Yokohama National University and Yokohama City University on June 27 and 28, respectively.



Each seminar drew around 100 attendees, mostly students, who had the opportunity to broaden their knowledge about the history and significance of TICAD (Tokyo International Conference for African Development), the status of development in Africa, and the global challenges surrounding the Sustainable Development Goals.



The rare opportunity for a first-hand perspective saw Mr. Komatsubara field many questions from students.

26th Y-PORT Workshop introduces development forum, infra-business opportunities in Da Nang

In anticipation of the 8th Da Nang Development Forum scheduled for late July of this year, the 26th Y-PORT Workshop was held on July 5.



At this workshop, the International Affairs Bureau's Development Cooperation Department shared information regarding the content of the upcoming Forum and gave a presentation on the status of city-to-city cooperation activities between Yokohama and Da Nang and plans for expansion.

Afterwards, group discussions among the participants were held on the five topics of "solid waste / recycling / sludge treatment," "fishing ports redevelopment (master plan / cold chains)," "saving energy (buildings, hotels, factories)," "urban transportation (public transportation)," and "disaster risk reduction systems."