As Japanese society faces a declining birthrate and aging population, the number of foreigners living in Japan continues to increase, and is predicted to reach 3 million in 2020.

Mr. Ippei Torii is the director of Solidarity Network with Migrants Japan, and has been a leading activist in fighting for the human rights of immigrants and migrant workers for many years. His lecture will address how to promote the development of multicultural society and multicultural communities in changing Japan.

How to Integrate and Increasingly Diverse Population

~ a lecture event aiming for the multicultural coexistence ~

Lecturer: Mr. Ippei Torii (Director of Solidarity Network with Migrants Japan)

Title: The Immigrant Society, Japan! Making an adequate immigration policy.

Location: Kumamoto Gakuen University Bldg. 14, Room 1411 (capacity 125 people)

(5-1, Oe 2-chome, Chuo-ku, Kumamoto)

Fee: 500 yen (for reading materials)

Profile of Mr. Ippei Torii



Director of Solidarity Network with Migrants Japan, committee member of Foreign Technical Intern Trainees' Rights Network, executive member of Zentouitsu Workers Union, co-director of JNATIP (Japan Network Against Trafficking in Persons), executive director of Small Business Labor Union Policy Network, representative of the Independent Production Network.

He has been involved in social actions on human rights of migrant workers since 1990. He organized the "Foreigner *Shunto* (Spring labor offensive)" in 1993 and brought social awareness of "migrant labor issues". In 2005, he filed a formal complain that foreign technical intern trainees were forced to work for 300 yen per

hour, and launched the support actions of technical intern trainees. His work pursuing problems of the Technical Intern Training program which is often criticized as "modern slavery" and his long-term support for migrants workers have been widely recognized and the U.S. Department of State awarded him with "Trafficking in Persons Report Heroes" award in 2013.

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