Opening Ceremony of the Photo Exhibition of the UN-HABITAT project funded by Japan

On 15 October 2020, H.E. Mr. Matsunaga Daisuke participated in the opening ceremony for the Photo Exhibition of the "Emergency Support to Solid Waste Management (SWM) in Ethiopia's Cities". The event was organized in Addis Ababa jointly by UN-HABITAT and Addis Ababa City Government. The emergency support was funded by the Government of Japan (USD 2.4 million in total) in order to establish a sustainable Solid Waste Management system through the introduction of the Fukuoka Method.

During the ceremony, H.E. Mr. Matsunaga Daisuke, Ambassador of Japan to Ethiopia, stated that the knowledge and technical capacity of those involved in the project were remarkably enhanced at these two open dumpsites through the implementation of the Fukuoka Method, developed by Prof. Matsufuji, an honorary professor at Fukuoka University, and through his team's tireless capacity development efforts on the site. The Ambassador added that the open dumpsite in Addis Ababa as well as in Bahir Dar were stabilized and their surrounding environment was also significantly improved. The project has contributed to the health and well-being of residents. The UN-HABITAT and the Addis Ababa City Government's representatives both expressed their appreciation for the Japanese support.

