

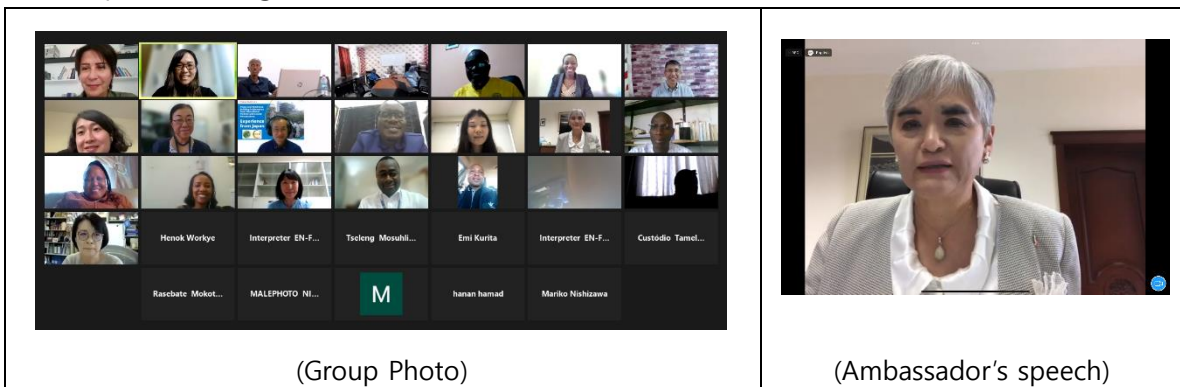
Ambassador Ito attended the webinar on Peace Education by UNESCO-IICBA

On Thursday 26 May 2022, Ambassador Ito attended the opening ceremony for the webinar series entitled “Peace and Resilience Building in Education from Educational Policies and Course Perspectives: The Experience of Japan” organized by UNESCO-IICBA.

This webinar series was held as part of the UNESCO-IICBA’s project “Prevention of extremism and its resurgence amid the COVID-19 pandemic through education in Africa, aligned with the spirit of TICAD (Tokyo International Conference for African Development) 7 and NAPSA (Japan’s New Approach for Peace and Stability in Africa)”, which is supported by the Government of Japan.

In her opening remarks at the webinar, Ambassador Ito mentioned that Japan is the only country in the world which has suffered from the atomic bombings and its devastating impact that lasts for generations, and explained how peace education after WWII contributed to peacebuilding and disaster risk reduction, not only in Japan but also in other countries. She expressed her hope to further strengthen the relationship between Japan and Africa through continuing our multi-dimensional engagement in peacekeeping, as well as our peacebuilding efforts in Africa.

Many prominent educators and policymakers from 10 African countries including Ethiopia and Japan attended the webinar. After Sophia University and the Hiroshima Prefectural Government shared their peacebuilding efforts, the participants actively exchanged their views on how peacebuilding education can be disseminated in Africa.



(Group Photo)

(Ambassador’s speech)