

Ambassador Ito attended the experience-sharing meeting
on Peace Education by UNESCO-IICBA

On Tuesday 16 August, Ambassador Ito attended the opening ceremony for the three-day experience-sharing meeting entitled "Transformative Pedagogy for Peace, Resilience Building and Preventing Violent Extremism through Education and Youth Empowerment in Africa" 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 meeting, Ambassador Ito underlined that the Japanese government's support to UNESCO-IICBA and contributions to African development through the TICAD, and stated that in order to realize the SDGs philosophy of "leaving no one behind," it is critical to create a society that is sustainable, inclusive, and that embraces diversity, and 'intergenerational dialogue' is important for peace building.

Almost 90 prominent youth people and educational practitioners from 18 African countries attended the experience-sharing meeting. The participants engaged in actively exchanges of good practices and ideas of peacebuilding education in their countries.

