

Ambassador ITO's Visit to the Japanese ODA Project Sites in Bahir Dar City And Lecture at Bahir Dar University

Ambassador Ms. ITO Takako gave a lecture on Japan's Diplomacy in the World and in Africa on the 15th of November 2022 at Bahir Dar University. Around 50 university students, professors and researchers attended her lecture and Q&A session with their interests in international relations and Japanese diplomacy.

Ambassador Ito demonstrated the comparison between Ethiopia and Japan in terms of population, land, GDP, composition of energy source, trading, industry and so forth to deepen the audience's understanding of Japan. Then, Ambassador Ito talked about the outlook of Japan's diplomacy as a peace-loving country after the World War II and the overview of the shifts of dynamics in the international community over the last decades. Moreover, she explained Japan's relations with its neighbouring nations and some unsolved issues that Japan has been trying to tackle. She also touched upon Japan's significant initiative, Free and Open Indo-Pacific Strategy (FOIP), and the outcomes of TICAD 8. During Q&A session, the audience asked many interesting questions, including about Japanese ODA in Ethiopia, Japan's position on the Russian invasion in Ukraine, and how Japan's successful ODA experience in South East Asia can be adapted into ODA in Ethiopia.



Public Lecture by Ambassador Ito



Questions from Bahir Dar University Students



Group Photo