

Reception for MEXT Scholarship 2024 Students & Alumni

On 26 March 2024, a reception was held at the official residence of Ambassador Shibata for the orientation for MEXT (Japanese Government) Scholarship 2024 students and the first meeting of the Japan Ethiopia Alumni Society (JEAS), an association of returning students, in the last ten years.

A total of eight students from Ethiopia will study at Japanese universities in 2024 under the MEXT scholarship. JEAS was established in 2011 with the aim of creating exchange opportunities for returning students and building bridges between Japan and Ethiopia. However, it has been inactive for some time. A reception was organised as a first step towards the resumption of JEAS activities for the first time in 10 years, providing an opportunity for exchange between returning students.

MEXT Scholarship is supplied based on the recommendation of the Embassy of Japan or Japanese universities, and a few Ethiopian students study in Japan every year with MEXT Scholarship. The screening of applications is received by the end of May each year, and the final selection is made in the summer. The Embassy will continue to support student and academic exchanges between Japan and Ethiopia.



2024 MEXT students



Ambassador Shibata making remarks



Dr. Esayas, Chairperson of Commission of Exchange Program, JEAS, proposing a toast



Group Photo



**MEXT Alumni and 2024 students
discussing**



Orientation