

Declaration on Capital City of Philanthropy

Philanthropy through donations, investments, and other activities has become a new global trend as the third way to solve social problems. It is said that “the golden age of philanthropy” has arrived.

In Japan, the number of new public actors such as Third Sector Organizations (TSOs), or Non-Profit Organizations (NPOs) and social enterprises is increasing and business sector become aware of Corporate Social Responsibility(CSR). Meanwhile, collaboration between the non-profit sector and the government is attracting attention as a new key to solve social issues.

Osaka, where citizens have played a major role in the history of urban development, has created a variety of pioneering initiatives and realized them in the field of philanthropy.

Taking advantage of these accumulated achievements, the Government and Private Sector established the “Minto - a people-oriented second capital of Japan - Osaka” Philanthropy Colloquium (MOPCOL), which aims to make Osaka “people-oriented metropolis” that maximizes the power of the private non-profit sector in Osaka as a through cooperation between the public and private sectors, and brings together non-profit sector stakeholders beyond the incorporated legal status.

With the MOPCOL at its core, the leaders of third-sector organizations, including local bodies, throughout Osaka prefecture, will gather across the legal boundaries, and make use of their diversity to generate new ideas and knowledge, revitalize the non-profit sector through unprecedented collaborations and cooperations, and expand social businesses.

Through this initiative, we will create social innovation led by citizens toward an affluent and beautiful Osaka in various fields.

In addition to contributing to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), we will expand our activities as the second arteries of flowing investment and human resources from Japan and the rest of the world to foster the leaders of philanthropic activities as a metropolis that meets the needs of philanthropists, thereby creating a public impact.

We hereby declare our goal of making Osaka an “international hub city for philanthropists” through these measures.

“Minto-Osaka” Philanthropy Colloquium (MOPCOL) on June 1, 2018