

Guideline for the 2026-2027 Peace Ambassador Program

The two-year Peace Ambassador (PA) Program is designed to provide Peace Ambassadors with enhanced learning opportunities while strengthening the development of their local BRIDGE CLUBS (BCs) and contributing to the continued success of BCIO.

The selected PAs will participate in the virtual program in the first year and in-person PA Program in Fukuoka in the following year.

*With regard to the in-person PA Program in Fukuoka, the BCIO management team will evaluate the PAs performance and activities in the first year, and only the active PAs will be invited to participate in the program in Fukuoka.

BKP 2026				BKP 2027
PA application	Selection of PA	Virtual PA Program	Selection of PA for PA Program in Fukuoka	PA program in Fukuoka
April, 2026	June, 2026	August & September, 2026	January, 2027	July 2027

*BKP = BRIDGE KIDS PROGRAMS

We will welcome applications from active BC countries who have the passion:

1. To expand the BC network and strengthen the bond of friendship with an OMOIYARI spirit.
2. To develop their own leadership skills and qualities as Global BRIDGE Leader
3. To help to nurture JAs, Fukuoka's children/youth to become a OMOIYARI Global Citizen and Global BRIDGE Leader.
4. To undertake a more proactive role in BCIO management.

If you are an active member of your BC and enthusiastic to be a PA in this year then please check the Guidelines for applicants from countries/regions with an established BRIDGE CLUB.

Countries/regions with an established BRIDGE CLUB			
Atlanta (USA)	Australia	Myanmar	New Zealand
Bangladesh	Bhutan	Nepal	Oakland (USA)
Cambodia	China	New Caledonia	Philippines
Cook Islands	Dalian (China)	Pakistan	Peru
Fiji	Hawaii	Papua New Guinea	Vietnam
Hong Kong	India	Russia	Sri Lanka
Indonesia	Ipoh (Malaysia)	Singapore	Taiwan
Jiangsu (China)	Japan	Solomon Islands	Thailand
Korea	Kiribati	Tahiti	Vanuatu
Laos	Malaysia	Tonga	Guangzhou (China)
Mongolia	Maldives	Micronesia	

If you are a former JA and don't have established BRIDGE CLUB (BC) in your country and are interested to establish BC in your country then email us directly at office@bcio.world

Guidelines for applicants from countries/regions with an established BRIDGE CLUB

Asian-Pacific Children's Convention in Fukuoka (APCC) invites former Junior Ambassadors to apply for the Peace Ambassador (PA) program. Selected PAs will participate in a virtual program this year, and those who meet the requirements will be invited to an in-person program in Fukuoka during the BRIDGE Summer Camp, BKP 2027.

Through various activities, PAs will share ideas for BRIDGE CLUB (BC) activities and build stronger connections with fellow members. This program aims to develop participants' skills as future Global BRIDGE Leaders.

Active BC members with a strong interest in becoming a Peace Ambassador are encouraged to carefully review the guidelines below and submit their applications **by May 20, 2026**.

Schedule of the Virtual PA Program

August 22, 2026 (11:00- 13:00 JST)

August 29, 2026 (11:00- 13:00 JST)

September 19, 2026 (11:00- 13:00 JST)

September 26, 2026 (11:00- 13:00 JST)

Attendance Requirement

All selected PAs are required to attend all the Four Virtual PA Program sessions. Attendance and active participation will be considered as part of the evaluation process for selection to the in-person PA Program scheduled for July 2027.

Schedule of the PA Program in Fukuoka

July 2027 (Date will be informed later)

Objectives:

1. To foster leaders with a global perspective who promote or lead BRIDGE CLUB activities in their local community.
2. To nurture Global BRIDGE Leaders and expand a friendship network with the participants and people of Fukuoka.
3. To support the Junior Ambassadors as a role model in their delegation.
4. To exhibit their experience and ability as former JA and contribute to the operation of BRIDGE Summer Camp.
5. To undertake a more proactive role in BCIO management.

Participation Criteria for PA program:

- A. Must have taken part in APCC between **1989 (the 1st APCC)** and **BKP 2021 (33rd APCC)** as a Junior Ambassador (JA).
- * The age of participant must be at least 16 years old as of June 30, 2026.
 - * Those who have already been PAs are NOT eligible for selection.
- B. Must currently participate in the activities of the BC in your country, and have strong willingness and enthusiasm towards them. *If the applicant is studying abroad, he/she should explain how he/she has been participating in his/her home country BC activities.
- *For the PA program in Fukuoka in 2027, APCC will manage visa support documents and air ticket from his/her home country only.
- C. Must take a leadership position (President or Executive Member) in your BC after joining the PA Program.
- D. Must be able to stay in your home country and continue to participate in BC activities at least **one year** after the programs and report the activities of your BC to the BCIO Head Office every month.
- E. Should be recommended both by the President of their BC and the Liaison Officer. Should have ideas about how to improve their BC and be able to express them well in English.
- F. Should interact with other participants during the PA Program, and contribute to strengthen the network of friendships with them.
- G. Must be willing to help the Liaison Officer and Chaperon in preparing JAs for their trip to Japan, and act as a good leader. This may include telling the JAs about your experience as a JA and helping them to understand the objectives of APCC.

Regarding guidelines for the PA Program to be held as part of BRIDGE Summer Camp, BKP 2027 will be shared with the selected PAs in January 2027. Please understand that BCIO Management Members will evaluate all the PAs performance and activities in the first year, and only active PAs will be invited to join the program in 2027 in Fukuoka.

* If applicants do not meet these criteria (ex. cannot speak English well, will be away from his/her home country after the PA program, etc.), we may choose to cancel the applicant's invitation, even after the selection has been made.

**If the PA shows unsatisfactory / unfavorable behavior during the programs, it may affect the opportunity for the selection of future PAs of their respective BC.

Selection Process: BRIDGE CLUB Nomination:

< Applications must reach the BCIO Head Office by **May 20, 2026** >

Applicant:

- Contact the president of your country/region's BC, tell him/her your intention to apply, and get instruction/information about the application process from BC officers.

*Each BC's contact information is on the BCIO website (<http://www.bcio.world>). Please click on your country/region and get their information if you do not know it.

BRIDGE CLUB officers:

- BRIDGE CLUB can select a maximum of 2 applicants to be sent to the BCIO Head Office as nominees for the Peace Ambassador position. BCIO Head Office must receive all applications by **May 20, 2026**.

BCIO Head Office:

- Collect all nominee applications by the deadline
- June, 2026: Select PAs and announce the results to Liaison Offices
- * We may ask to conduct an online interview as part of the selection process. For the online interview we will contact the applicant directly by mid of June 2026.

Liaison Office:

- Inform all nominees of the results.
- Have selected PAs fill out the required forms and return them to the BCIO Head Office by the deadline mentioned in the documents.

Selected PAs:

- Start preparing for the program with the BCIO.
- Submit required documents to BCIO Head Office strictly before the deadline assigned.

Advertisement for the PA Invitation:

BCIO will advertise the PA Invitation Program through the following channels:

1. BCIO / APCC website (BCIO: <https://bcio.world/> APCC: <https://www.apcc.gr.jp>)
2. APCC Facebook page
3. APCC Liaison Offices
4. BCs Official Gmail Address /BC Presidents

Necessary Documents for PA Application:

Any applications that do not meet these guidelines, (ex. incomplete or missing documents, submitted past the deadline, using an old Application Form, and so forth.) will not be accepted.

Applicant must submit following documents together by May 20, 2026.

1. Application Form

Download the application form from the BCIO website. Be careful not to use the old form.

Application form Name: [2026 PA Application Form](#)

2. Application Video

Applicant should submit 1-minute video. In the video, please introduce yourself and explain why you want to be a Peace Ambassador and what skills or ideas you can bring as a PA to the program and your BC.

Please check "[Application Video Instruction](#)"

3. Two Letters of Recommendation

* Letter of Recommendation from BC President.

* Letter of Recommendation from the Liaison Office. (If it's difficult to get recommendation letter from the Liaison Office, please consult with BCIO Head Office as soon as possible)

4. Curriculum Vitae / Resume

5. Your BC activity plan for the year 2026: The activity plan must be discussed and finalized with the BC President before submission.

Contact: BCIO Head Office

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