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Awards Ceremony for 29th Eisaku Sato Essay Contest Winners: 30 Sept. 2013

EVENT: Awards Ceremony for Winners of 29th Eisaku Sato Essay Contest

DATE + TIME: Monday, 30 September 2013, 11:00 am to 12:00 noon

VENUE: 2F Reception Hall, United Nations University Headquarters, Tokyo

ORGANIZER: The Eisaku Sato Memorial Foundation in cooperation with the United Nations University

The Eisaku Sato Essay Contest is a bilingual (English and Japanese) international competition that was established in memory of the late Eisaku Sato, former Prime Minister of Japan, with the monetary award that he received with his 1974 Nobel Peace Prize. The contest was inaugurated in 1980, and has been held annually since 1990.

The theme of the 2013 essay contest was: "Many people expect the United Nations to play a major role in world peace and in protecting the safety and welfare of the people worldwide. Express your views on whether the United Nations is sufficiently responding to the expectations, and if 'no', discuss the causes and constraints for this failure; if 'yes', discuss some recent success cases." The submission deadline was 31 March 2013.

Eighty-five essays were submitted: 24 in Japanese and 61 in English.

The Eisaku Sato Memorial Foundation for Cooperation with UNU has announced that the winners of the 2013 contest's ¥200,000 Award of Brilliance are:

Hajime Akiyama, a student at the College of Liberal Arts, International Christian University;
Naosuke Mukoyama, a student at the College of Arts and Sciences, University of Tokyo; and
Nagafumi Nakamura, a postgraduate student at the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, University of Tokyo.

The winner of the ¥50,000 Award of Effort is **Eszter Czeh**, a student at the School of International Liberal Studies, Waseda University.

No winner was selected this year for the ¥500,000 Award of Excellence.

The prizes will be presented at a 30 September 2013 Award Ceremony at UN University Headquarters in Tokyo. Media representatives are cordially invited to attend.

For further information, or to reserve a your space, please contact The Eisaku Sato Essay Contest Secretariat at tel. 03-5467-1359, e-mail: Sato.Eisaku.mf@unu.edu.

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