

Memorandum of Understanding on Olympic and Paralympic Cooperation
Between the City of Paris and the Tokyo Metropolitan Government

In this year marking the 160th anniversary of friendship between Japan and France, we, Mayor Anne Hidalgo of Paris and Governor Yuriko Koike of Tokyo, met in Paris and exchanged views.

We confirmed that our two cities, as friendship cities and as host cities for the 2020 and 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games, will cooperate, based on the “Memorandum of Understanding on Exchange and Cooperation Between the Tokyo Metropolitan Government and the City of Paris” signed on October 28, 2015, and the “Joint Communiqué by the Governor of Tokyo and the Mayor of Paris” signed on October 23, 2017 and have agreed as follows:

The cities of Paris and Tokyo will bolster measures and policies that will lead to the successful delivery of the Olympic and Paralympic Games, and will steadily advance the initiatives in the lead-up to 2020 and 2024 aimed at creating a valuable legacy through the Games.

To that end, the two cities will engage in sharing their experience, expertise and best practices with each other in various fields, such as the Olympic and Paralympic Games (sports), environment, culture, and tourism, through initiatives including mutual exchanges and joint promotion of our policies.

ARTICLE 1 - Olympic and Paralympic Games (Sports)

The cities of Paris and Tokyo will strive to bring excitement about the Olympic and Paralympic Games worldwide as the host cities, and will maximize “the power of sports” taking this as an opportunity. They will make every effort to increase their residents’ participation in sport and volunteering, the development of sports for people with impairments, and improve accessibility throughout the cities as well as the instillation of barrier-free mindset.

ARTICLE 2 - Environment

By hosting an environment-friendly Olympic and Paralympic Games, the cities of Paris and Tokyo will make every effort to realize a zero emission, zero wasting society, and achieve sustainable urban environments.

The two cities will share their expertise and best practices to evolve towards an exemplary society, for instance in the fields of innovative mobility, air quality, waste treatment and water management.

ARTICLE 3 - Culture

With the aim of strengthening their international appeal and positions as world-leading capitals of culture, Paris and Tokyo commit to implement cultural and artistic programs that consider the cultural diversity of both our cities and the Games, accessible to everyone.

ARTICLE 4 - Tourism

The cities of Paris and Tokyo commit to enhance their efforts to deliver the touristic attractiveness of each city, through projects such as joint tourism promotion, in the context of major international sporting events hosted on their territory.

For that purpose, the cities of Paris and Tokyo commit to set up an active collaboration to support innovation, by facilitating relationships and interactions between actors in the sector.

Both cities shall endeavor to steadily promote the creation of programs for exchange and cooperation in the areas agreed upon. With the desire to bring their friendly and cooperative relationship to an even closer level, both cities shall conduct ongoing discussions and reciprocal visits.

This MoU is signed, in French and in Japanese, in Paris on November 2, 2018 between Anne Hidalgo, Mayor of Paris and Yuriko Koike, Governor of Tokyo.

Anne Hidalgo

Mayor of Paris

Yuriko Koike

Governor of Tokyo