## Special Sponsorship of the 5th Japanese Language Composition Speech Contest in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

The Shibuya Ikueikai Foundation served as a special sponsor to the 5th Japanese Language Composition Speech Contest held on March 19 at Fukuyama New Castle Hotel in cooperation with the Komaru-Koutsu Foundation, Hiroshima University Vietnam Center, and Vietnam National University - Ho Chi Minh City. The contest was held remotely to prevent the spread of COVID-19 connecting Japan and Vietnam in the same manner as the previous year.

The contest received 118 applicants from 13 universities under the theme of "transportation" in an effort to promote Japanese language education and raise traffic safety awareness, among which 13 candidates selected who received outstanding performance awards participated in the contest. The grand prize was awarded to Mr. Nguyen Huy Hoang from the University of Social Sciences and Humanities who gave a speech on "Drowsy Driving and Prevention Measures."

Mr. Nobuhiro Watanabe, Consul General of the Consulate-General of Japan in Ho Chi Minh City as a guest of honor, and Administrative Director Shigehiro Komaru of the Komaru-Koutsu Foundation and Mr. Sato, Executive Vice President of Hiroshima University as organizers attended the contest.





(Venue of the 5th Japanese Language Composition Speech Contest)

(Commemorative photo of the speech contest)