

## International Day for Biological Diversity 2021

“We’re part of the solution”

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- “Nature compact”, “Leaders’ Pledge for Nature,” and “High Ambition Coalition for Nature and people.” Japan recently announced to join these three leader’s level initiatives toward biodiversity recovery. Japan will do its utmost to lead the efforts toward the ambitious post 2020 GBF with other member countries.
  
- To achieve these ambitious targets, Japan is focusing on three areas.
  
- First, partnerships with business sector.  
Today, 255 Japanese companies have already incorporated biodiversity in their management policy. The number has almost doubled in the last 10 years, one of the best in the world. This is a fruit of 30 years of joint efforts to mainstream biodiversity, by the Ministry of the Environment and Keidanren, Japan’s largest business federation.
  
- Many of these Japanese companies can offer solutions for biodiversity conservation through their cutting-edge technologies, products, and services. We will share these concrete solutions with the world.
  
- Second, food and agriculture.  
Japan will introduce organic farming in 25% of the agricultural land and reduce the use of chemical pesticides and chemical fertilizers by 2050. This will improve potential productivity as well as achieve sustainability.
  
- Lastly, the Satoyama Initiative.  
This Initiative provides good practices of nature-based solutions. They help advance climate actions and the transition to a circular economy. Japan will continue to develop this Initiative together with its many partners.
  
- By gathering all the solutions we have, let’s lead CBD COP15 to

success.

● Thank you. Arigato.