

The Ambassador of Japan In the Republic of Bulgaria

Sofia, November 12, 2020

Dear Prof. Dr. Beloev,

Please accept my sincere congratulations on the 75th anniversary of the establishment of "Angel Kanchev" University of Ruse. Thank you very much for your kind invitation to be a part of the celebrations on this occasion that will take place on November 12 and November 13, 2020.

Last year, we have celebrated a triple anniversary of the bilateral relations between Japan and Bulgaria - 110 years of the first exchange between the two countries, 80 years of the establishment of the diplomatic relations, and 60 years of their resumption. I hope that this traditionally good friendship will stay strong and stable, as the history of your university is. Furthermore, I believe that the friendly relations between Japan and the town of Ruse will continue to grow in the future.

Unfortunately, this time the complicated situation, caused by the COVID-19 pandemic prevented me from attending the ceremony of the anniversary's celebration in person, but I would definitely like to visit your wonderful university and campus after the circumstances get better. I am very much looking forward to meeting and interacting with your talented students as well.

Once again, please allow me to congratulate you with the 75^{th} anniversary of the establishment of "Angel Kanchev" University of Ruse and to cordially wish further success and achievements for the university. I hope that in the near future, I will be able to visit the beautiful and overlooking to the magnificent Danube river town of Ruse, and I am looking forward to the opportunity of meeting you then.

Sincerely

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