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## TO THE INCOMING STUDENTS IN OUR SHORT-TERM PROGRAMS AS WELL AS TO OUR COLLEAGUES IN PARTNER UNIVERSITIES

Due to the unpredictability of travel conditions, including the entry restrictions and limited visa services, the University of Tsukuba has made the difficult decision to **cancel scheduled exchange programs for fall 2020.** 

For those students who would like to postpone their exchange program to Spring 2021, we request that you re-apply for the program and get re-nominated.

As a second option, for students from universities that are members of CiC Initiative, we made and uploaded the list of online courses available for fall semester on Course Jukebox website. We also kindly ask you to have a look at the attached files and Application Guidelines. Physical exchange is our priority, however, considering current COVID-19 related events, we would like to ask the students who applied to consider participating in our online exchange.

We know that this is a disappointing news for all of you who have worked hard to prepare exchange. We hope you will understand that this decision was made with the safety of all in mind in this time of uncertainty. We look forward to the possibility that circumstances in 2021 will allow us to resume international exchange activities.

Sincerely,

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