For BUYERS:

Recruit Announcement

JETRO Food Business Online Meeting (Okinawa)

~English version~

Introduction

JETRO Okinawa will have <u>TWO</u> online meeting programs in December.

- JETRO Food Business Online Meeting (Okinawa)
 [mandatory]
- 2. Great Okinawa Trade Fair (GOTF) Online Meeting [optional]

This is a great opportunity for you to not only have business meetings with suppliers from Okinawa, but also with multiple suppliers all over Japan.

For details, please see the following pages.











Program announcement

1. JETRO Food Business Online Meeting (Okinawa)

- Date: Dec 5th 9th, 2022
- Mandatory Program. Each buyer is expected to have more than 10 meetings throughout the term.
- <u>Pre-arranged online meetings</u>. JETRO will arrange meetings depending on your interest.
- Join and meet food suppliers from all over Japan.
- Various category: Fresh Fish/ processed seafood products, Processed meat/ processed livestock products, Fruit and vegetables / processed agricultural goods, Other processed food products, non-alcoholic beverages, alcohol beverages, confectioneries, seasonings, health food products...
- This year, we will strongly encourage more suppliers from Okinawa to participate!
- FYI, see the list of last year's supplier and product list below: https://www.jetro.go.jp/newsletter/okinawa/2022/Reference 2021FY_applicants.xlsx

Process

- Recruiting Buyers
 (Current)
- Recruiting Japanese food buyers.
- Please inform Jetro about the products you are interested in.
- 2. Recruiting Suppliers(September)
- Jetro recruit food supplying companies.
- Suppliers will submit information on their products to Jetro.

3. Matching (October)

- Jetro will provide information on suppliers to the buyers.
- Buyers will be asked to select the suppliers with which you wish to have a meeting.
- 4. Schedule arrangement (Oct Nov)
- Jetro will arrange the date and time of the meetings based on your availability, numbers of meetings and the time difference.
- we are likely to set the meetings between 8:00 and 21:00 (JST).

5. Meeting

- Meetings held on Dec 5th 9th.
- Each meeting is scheduled for 30~40min.
- For non-Japanese speaking buyers, Jetro will prepare an interpreter.



Program announcement

2. Great Okinawa Trade Fair (GOTF) [optional]

- Date: From the registration to GOTF platform until Dec 23th.
- Optional Program. Free-matching online meetings with GOTF suppliers via GOTF online platform. Contact more than 400 registered suppliers directly and have meetings freely.
- Meeting hours: 9:00-17:00 (JST)
- GOTF is one of the largest international food business meeting event held in Okinawa every year. This is not operated by JETRO, thus we consider this as an optional program.
- GOTF website: https://gotf.jp/2022/eng/
- See last year participants via GOTF official guidebook (2021): https://gotf.jp/fb/2021/index.html#target/page_no=9

FAQ

1. What kind of suppliers can I meet with at the JETRO Food Business Online Meetings?

- A) <u>Meetings will be arranged based on buyers' requests</u>. Although, we expect that each buyer will have at least 10 business meetings throughout the term.
- B) A wide variety of suppliers from all over Japan will participate. FYI, please refer to the URL below for last year's suppliers.

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2. Do I need to keep my schedule open during whole term?

- A) We kindly ask you to keep your schedule open for five days as much as possible, but please inform us in advance if you have a schedule that is difficult to accommodate.
- B) The detailed date and time will be decided after the matching process.
- As long as the person has the authority to make decisions on product procurement, <u>meetings can be attended by different</u> <u>representatives</u>.