

## 日本学生協会 (JNSA) 基金

事業名	第52回 JUSCO Opening Ceremony (開会式・講演会・懇親会)			
実施期間	6/11(土)			
場 所	読売新聞東京本社会議室			
参加者	外国人留学生	地域住民・企業等	その他	合計
	15 名	3 名	44 名	52 名

### ＜実施内容＞

この事業は今年で52回目を迎える国際交流団体JUSCOの2011年度Opening Ceremony(開会式)です。今年度は「Think Globally」をテーマに掲げ、企画を行いました。加えて Ms.Evelyn Reinboldによる英語の講演「My experience being bicultural & bilingual in Japan」、締めくくりに懇親会も行いました。懇親会には現JUSCOメンバーに加え、OBにも参加していただき、非常に有意義な会となりました。



班対抗でクイズに答える様子

### ＜参加者からのコメント＞

セバスチャン・ (オランダ)/Sebastiaan Willighagen (Netherlands)

My name is Sebastiaan Willighagen and I am an exchange student from the Netherlands. The reason for me to join the event is because I have great interests in improving relations between Asia and the west. Sharing cultural differences, experiences abroad, and meeting other people really broaden the mindset of people and I find this an important development for social and business situations. The event itself was a great experience. I met a lot of different people from different countries, universities, and interest, which made this event a successful one. Difference in universities was a new experience for me. Usually, social gatherings like JUSCO are limited to only one university so this was a great opportunity to meet people from different universities and to learn about their experiences on those universities.

Games and quizzes are the best icebreakers and therefore a must at every social event. Personally I really enjoyed these games and always try my best at them. The guest lecture about cultural differences in daily life was a really useful one for a lot of people that have not (yet) studied/lived abroad. To conclude, the JUSCO event was a great opportunity to meet new friends, exchanged ideas and points of views, and most important: to have fun! I hope to be involved with more events in the near future and to create bonds between different cultures.

石黒瞳さん(日本)/Hitomi Ishiguro(Japan)

On June 11th, Opening Ceremony of the JUSCO Summer Session was held. We, the members of JUSCO Steering Committee, were very honored to host this annual event. This year, it was especially difficult to gather exchange students because of the East Japanese Great Earthquake on March 11th. Despite of the situation, we could welcome 52 people in total including 15 foreign students, 37 JNSA members, and 4 ex-members. We did three activities at the Opening Ceremony. At first we introduced each other through a game and I think it was good for all that we could know many people in a short time. After that, Japanese and foreign members of the JUSCO were divided into three groups and tried to answer cultural questions from all over the world. The advantage of the group work is that we automatically came to talk with each other and start to cooperate with each other. It was a great pleasure for me to see everyone having lots of fun.

What was distinguished about this year's Opening Ceremony was that we were very pleased to host a lecture by Ms. Evelyn Reinbold. She gave us a talk "My experience being bicultural& bilingual in Japan" about cultural differences between United States of America and Japan. She, herself, has grown between the two cultures. She also pointed out not only common English mistakes by Japanese students, but also cultural misunderstanding that many exchange students would encounter. This topic reminds me of my exchange year in Germany four years ago and I felt that our JUSCO activity would help foreign students who feel somehow difficult to live or to find friends in Japan. Moreover, the talk was very informative and also interactive so that a lot of us could freely ask her questions and give advices each other at the end of the lecture

We had a small party after that and it ended in a very warm and friendly atmosphere. I would like to thank everybody who came over to take part in the events.