# **Obihiro City,** Hokkaido

## **About Obihiro City**

- Population:166,867 (as of end of March 2018)
- Area: 619.34 km<sup>2</sup>
- Blessed with abundant of nature, Obihiro is an harmonious city of urban and rural communities. Obihiro is the only place in the world where draft-horse racing (Ban'ei horse racing) can be seen.





#### Activities/Vision/Plan

## **CO2** Reduction Goal

Emissions in 2000 (base year) 1,459,517t-CO<sub>2</sub>



Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 15% or more by FY2018

> Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 30% or more by FY2030

> > Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 50% or more by FY2050

Ensure compatibility between the environment and economy by transforming lifestyles, making use of renewable energy, etc.

# Outline of Characteristic Initiatives

# **Environmental Education Programs Unique to Obihiro**

To pass the society where people and the nature live together to the next generation...

develop the "persons who practice from what can be done now"



- (1) Link "experience," "understanding" and "practice" spirally.
- (2) Create initiatives utilizing regional resources such as rich nature.
- (3) Value independent learning of children.



**Three** perspectives unique to Obihiro

# Total 36 programs which can be freely combined with









Schools with environment friendly activity programs



Completed approvals of all 41 schools in fiscal

Ministry of the Environment Good Life Award 2018 Received the Implementation Committee Special Award!!

Obihiro and the Obihiro Board of Education approve schools that create mechanisms for environmental activities and get everyone involved as "schools with environment friendly activity programs.

Schools conduct environmental activities together with the local area

# Chiyoda City, Tokyo

# About Chiyoda City

•Population: 61,875

•Area: 11.66 km<sup>2</sup>



Chiyoda City is not only a political and economic center but also has beautiful natural surroundings around the Imperial Palace.

#### Activities/Vision/Plan

# Eco-Model City Action Plan (Action Plan as a demonstration city)

Three Main Focuses to achieve the goal

☑ Higher level of energy-saving measures in

building

✓ Wide coordination leveraging opportunities and places for community development

☑Regional collaboration



# Outline of Characteristic Initiatives

## Chiyoda City Buildings Environmental Plan System (revised in October 2016)

Objective: To encourage further energy-saving measures in constructing new buildings.

Coverage: Building projects with total floor space of 300m<sup>2</sup> or more.

Details: The city and the enterprise discuss energy-saving measures before the plans

of construction are finalized.

Target: To set a target of 35% reduction by the standard consumption shown in the

Building Energy Conservation Act.

Evaluation: With 35% reduction, the building is approved as an "Excellent eco-building".

With 20% reduction, it is approved as an "Adequate eco-building"

Achievements:14 cases which have achieved 35% reduction and 48 cases which have achieved 20% reduction (in 132 cases submitted, since October 2016 until March 2018)

Chiyoda City evaluates energy-saving buildings!







# Niigata City, Niigata

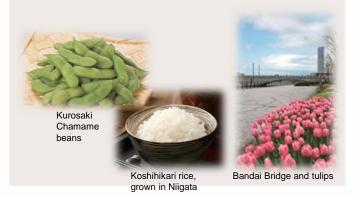
# **About Niigata City**

Population: Approx. 800,000

Area: 726.45 km<sup>2</sup>

Land use: 45% farm land

Food self-sufficiency rate: 63%



#### Activities/Vision/Plan

## Niigata Eco-Model City Action Plan

Circulate abundant value between urban and rural areas, with the aim of creating a Rural Eco-City, a city that can achieve harmonious growth.

## **Rural Eco-City**



## Outline of Characteristic Initiatives

# **Promotion of "Exciting Education Farm from Niigata"**

Foster affection and proud for the hometown and zest for living by giving children and residents opportunities to experience agriculture and further understand agriculture and food, and promote revitalization of agriculture at the same time.



"Agri Study Program" developed in cooperation between the Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Department and the Education Board in accordance with the Courses of Study is currently underway at all schools in the city.

# Situation to be realized Support of agriculture Children/ Residents Human development through agriculture Provision of learning through agriculture

#### Agripark

- First public education farm in Japan
- •With accommodations, able to have residential-type experience
- Support of sixth industry promotion
- Provision of experience programs using five senses



#### **Place of activities**

IKUTOPIA SHOKU HANA
• Facility to convey
attractiveness of food and
flowers across Japan
• Provision of various
experience programs



# lida City, Nagano

## **About lida City**

 Population: 102,012 (as of Mar. 31, 2018)

•Area: 658.66 km<sup>2</sup> (84% forest)

Hours of sunlight per year:

2,242.2 hours (2018)

Solar power take-up rate:

9.4% (as of Mar. 31, 2018)



#### Activities/Vision/Plan

# lida Future Design 2028

Designing a "community with a vibrant lifestyle" in an era of major exchange enabled by linear train service "Take action" city, future platform with a role for everyone

Policies for community development and a comprehensive plan to strategically realize the area's future vision formulated by local residents, the region, businesses, NPOs, and government

A city where we can enjoy our lifestyles
A city where we can live peacefully and safely due to close relationships among residents
A city where we can enjoy healthy and active lives
A city which nurtures a zest for life and culture by

- A city which nutrures a zest for life and culture by mutual learning
  A city where we can enjoy the happiness of raising children with the help of community support
  An eco city where people and nature can coexist
  A sustainable and self-sufficient city
  A city where its 20 areas have their attractive individual characteristics with their pride and affection

City development through "a sense of ownership" and "co-creation"

## **Outline of Characteristic Initiatives**

Locally-led renewable energy business via an environment rights ordinance

Currently has 10 solar power projects and two hydropower projects based on the local environment rights ordinance; applying power sales revenue to activity costs for resolving local issues and local people are also actively involved.









#### Initiatives for unique environmental efforts by the Region-Wide Environmental ISO Study Group

Environment management system in the Minami Shinshu region (limusu), led by lida city, initiatives and research are taking place under the Region-Wide Environmental ISO Study Group led by interested private-sector companies.

Fifty groups participate in "Minami Shinshu limusu 21" a unique limusu for this region that is being implemented by the Study Group.

These efforts aim to broaden business community initiatives to lessen environmental burden to the entire area and promote energy savings as a region.



# Mitake Town, Gifu

## **About Mitake Town**

Population: Approx. 18,500

•Area: 56.69km<sup>2</sup>

(around 60% forested)

 Attractions: A historically prosperous stop on the Nakasendo route with great natural beauty







▲ The sasayuri lily in bloom ▲ Mitake hana-zushi, a specialty of the town

# Activities/Vision/Plan

# Vision for Eco-Model City

Vision for Mitake as a low-carbon community that harnesses local resources (through Town Action Plan)



# Outline of Characteristic Initiatives



# **Low-carbon urban development**



Cooperative actions are under way to fulfill the vision of an Eco-Model City by residents, business and government!















# Kyoto City, **Kyoto**

# **About Kyoto City**

• Population: Approx. 1,470,000

Area: 827.8 km<sup>2</sup>









#### Activities/Vision/Plan

Kyoto, a low-carbon city co-existing with the environment

#### **GHG Reduction Targets**

2020: 25% reduction (compared to 1990) 2030: 40% reduction (compared to 1990)

#### **Kyoto's Six Visions of a society for the Future**

Vision of a society 1: An enjoyable walking city that gives priority to people and public transport

Vision of a society 2: Forest regeneration and giving important value to "culture of wood" city

Vision of a society 3: City of energy creation and Community recycling

Vision of a society 4: Environmentally-friendly lifestyles

Vision of a society 5: Environmentally-friendly economic activities

Vision of a society 6: Garbage reduction

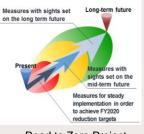
# Outline of Characteristic Initiatives

#### Promotion of shift to environmentally-friendly life style and community planning

With the keyword, "DO YOU KYOTO?" meaning, "Do you do something good for environment?", we are promoting shift to environmentally-friendly life style and community planning and at the same time trying to spread our effort as a model measures against global warming to promote efforts at community level through cooperate with autonomous communities in the world.

#### Road to Zero Project

Proposed the Road to Zero Project as a strategy targeting the long-term future and promoting initiatives with the aim of the net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by the latter half of this century.



Road to Zero Project

Community planning where people can enjoy walking by prioritizing people and public transport

We are aiming to create "Kyoto, the town for walking" through improved convenience of public transportation,

community planning by prioritizing pedestrians to enjoy attractiveness of walking to the maximum extent and sift to life style focusing on life enjoying walking.



#### Experience-based learning of hydrogen

The experience-based learning of hydrogen project is underway for learning of mechanism of smart hydrogen refueling stations producing hydrogen from renewable energy and FCVs and test drive of FCVs.



Picture of experience-based learning of hydrogen

#### Children eco-life challenge

Children eco-life challenge" where after the lesson at study meetings, using the "environment housekeeping book for children," children learn and practice life considering environment together with their

family members is conducted at all public elementary schools in the city.



# Amagasaki City, Hyogo

# About Amagasaki City

Population: 451,425

Area: 50.72 km<sup>2</sup>

A great strength of Amagasaki City is a integration of industrial and urban functions in the compact area. A variety of charms in the compact-sized city will entertain visitors.

#### Night view of the waterfront factory zone

Large companies and small and medium-sized enterprises with state of theart technologies are locate in the waterfront industrial



#### Cosmos Garden

Natural forests and rural landscape can be seen in the northern area of the city.



#### Shopping arcade near station

Bustling shopping arcades have been formed near railway stations.



#### Activities/Vision/Plan

# **ECO Future City, Amagasaki**

Although we have experienced severe pollution in the past, we have gotten it over through the cooperative efforts of industry, residents and the government. Environmental awareness and bonds among residents, industry, academia and the government have been nurtured in the process of tackling the problems. Our aim is to realize "Foo Entrus City" with this problems. Our aim is to realize "Eco Future City" with this

**Future City** 

**Amagasaki** 

# Residents

rest of Nature and Other various citize

Academia,

- etc.
- University of Hyogo College of Industrial

# Government

 Amagasaki Green New **Deal Promotion Conference** Declaration of ECO Future City Amagasaki Coordination towards ECO

# Outline of Characteristic Initiatives

## **Amagasaki Smart Community initiatives**

#### **Promotion of Amagasaki Smart Community**

The Amagasaki Smart Community is an accredited area that deploys HEMS for residential developments over a certain scale and implements initiatives related to energy management systems in regions utilizing HEMS and builds a mechanism for stimulating the local economy through such initiatives. The city also issues a grant to the certified system.

#### Knock-on effect derived from Amagasaki Smart Community

Local currency is, which is called "Mypo" was introduced to stimulate local economy in the 1st approved project. Mypo card holders can receive twice as many points as usual by turning off their air-conditioners, going out and shopping at the local currency member stores responding to DR(demand response). Points are worth one yen each at member stores. This program achieved some benefits in both reduction of electricity usage and stimulation of the local economy.

#### Effects of saving energy by implementation of DR

Quarterly DR effect was -70,371 kWh. It amounted to about 10% reduction in electricity usage. There were some effects obtained by both introduction of HEMS and response to DR request.

#### **Economic effect by implementation of DR**

Regarding regional currency point allocation value per payment at a member store, spending per time was higher on DR implementation days than on non-DR days. There was a difference of about 1,400 yen per time in summer of fiscal 2016.

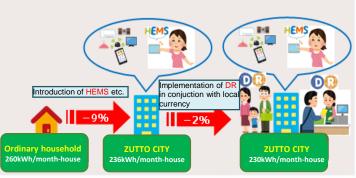
#### 3 Comparison with ordinary household

Since monthly electricity usage for an ordinary household is about 260kWh (monthly usage volume in the average model; Source: Kansai Electric Power), household in ZUTTOCITY reduced monthly electricity usage by 9% through non-DR initiatives, such as visualization of power utilization, compared to the ordinary household. With the DR initiative savings of 2%, electricity usage volume dropped by 11% in total.

Table: Point awarded situation of the local currency ("ZUTTO ECO\_Mypo")

Season		Summer Jul-Sep (weekdays) 1pm-4pm		Winter Dec-Feb (weekdays) 1pm-9pm	
Fiscal year		FY2016	FY2017	FY2016	FY2017
Day responding to DR	Amount of money eligible for point* (yen)	428,485	332,500	1,037,698	1,073,448
	Number of times point awarded (times)	277	313	287	409
	(1) Amount of money eligible for point per payment (yen/time)	1,547	1,062	3,616	2,625
Day not responding to DR	Amount of money eligible for point* (yen)	359,371	293,395	1,717,102	1,669,863
	Number of times point awarded (times)	320	303	779	616
	(2) Amount of money eligible for point per payme (yen/time)	1,123	968	2,204	2,711
Effect responding to DR requests $(1-2)$ (yen/time)		+424	+94	+1,412	-86

<sup>\*</sup> Point allocation value calculated from allocated points



# Kobe City, Hyogo

# **About Kobe City**

Population: approx. 1,527,390

Area: 557.02km²

Key industries: manufacturing,

services, fashion, etc.



#### Activities/Vision/Plan

#### **Kobe City Environmental Master Plan**

For Kobe to be a future city blessed by nature and sunshine, 4 basic aims are in place.

#### For future life & community

- 1. Reduce CO2
- 2. Use resources effectively and minimize waste
- 3. Preserve biodiversity
- 4. Secure safe and comfortable living environment

# Outline of Characteristic Initiatives

# Towards the environmentally friendly city of KOBE

Efforts to meet the objective of a "low carbon lifestyle and community" revolve around 3 pillars:

# **Energy saving**

KOBE COOL CHOICE campaign



Awarenessraising events held for citizens and companies Community cycles (Kobelin)



LED lighting



# Promotion of renewable energy

Use of wood biomass



Practical use of felled wood as local energy.

Kobe biogas



Use of methane gas arising from the sewage treatment process to generate electricity.

# Promotion of innovative technology development

Demonstration Project to Establish a Hydrogen Supply Chain



A hydrogen supply system that provides an offloading and supply site in Japan for liquid hydrogen produced offshore and transported by sea to Japan Demonstration Project to Develop a System Utilizing Hydrogen Energy



A system to supply heat and electricity to public facilities from power stations running on hydrogen and natural gas.

 Demonstration project carried out with local businesses and others, using subsidies from the New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO).

# Ikoma City, Nara

## **About Ikoma City**

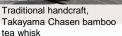
•Population: 120,132 (as of Jan. 1,

2019)

Area: Approx. 53 km²

 Ikoma is a residential city, whose charm lies in its rich natural surroundings, as typified by the Mt. Ikoma Range.







Mt. Ikoma

#### Activities/Vision/Plan

# Five pillars of initiatives

Future Vision for Ikoma Low-carbon, recycling residential city, built through collaboration between residents, business, and government

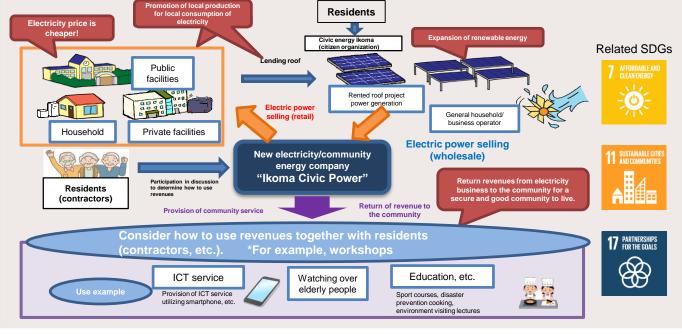
- 1. Re-Design of Urban Structure
- 2. Construction of resource recycling, energy self-sufficient systems
- 3. Promotion of community services using ICT
- 4. Development of food value chain



## **Outline of Characteristic Initiatives**

# **Establishment of Ikoma Civic Power**

Ikoma City, citizen organizations, businesses, and others invested in the creation of a local energy company with the purpose of resolving local issues. Profits will be reinvested in the local area for provision of community services that qualitatively enhance resident lives. This initiative aims to build a Japan-version Stadtwerke model as a lifestyle comprehensive assistance business by promoting local energy output and consumption, such as proactively purchasing former FIT power sources, and utilizing these capabilities as the core of regional energy management in the future.



# **Eco-Model City**

# Nishiawakura Village, Okayama

## About Nishiawakura Village

Population: 1,468

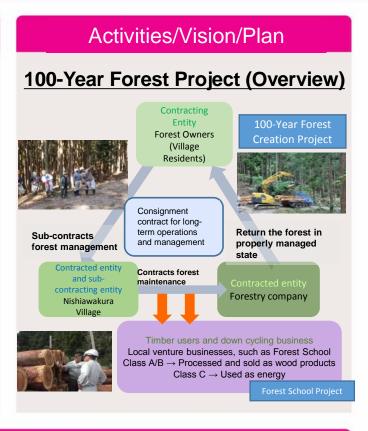
Area: 57.93 km<sup>2</sup>

Land use: 95% forest, 5%

agricultural/residential land and other

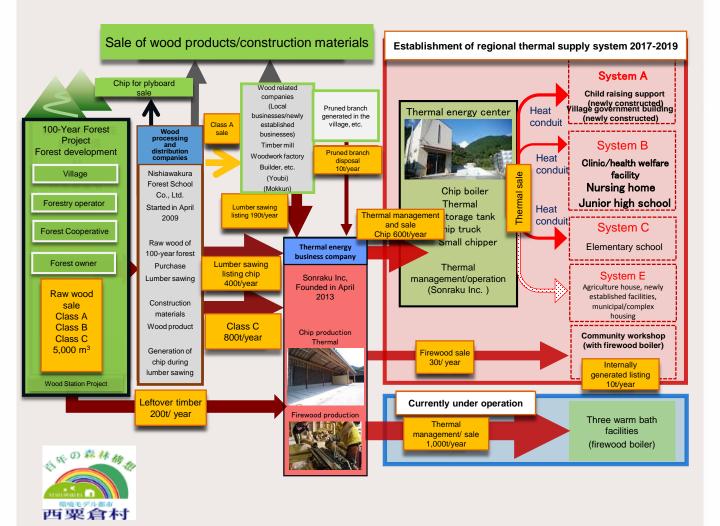
· Major industries: Forestry, tourism

Winter Summer 100-Year Forest



#### Outline of Characteristic Initiatives

## Cascade Use of Forest Resources (Woody Biomass Thermal Use)



# Matsuyama City, Ehime

# **About Matsuyama City**

Population: Approx. 510,809

Area: 429.40 km<sup>2</sup>

Main tourist attractions: Dogo Onsen,

Matsuyama Castle

·Local specialties: Beni Madonna

orange, Setoka mandarin orange



Dōgo Onsen





#### Activities/Vision/Plan

## Matsuyama, The proud Eco-Model City

Promotion of Matsuyama Sunshine Project

**Promotion of Smart Community** 

Promotion of Healthy City Where People Enjoy Walking

Promotion of Local Recycling System



## **Outline of Characteristic Initiatives**

# Matsuyama Smart City Promotion Project

OWe have been conducting feasibility surveys and verification projects of the islands area (Nakajima District) of the city as our field in a step-by-step manner.

OThe aim is that the whole city turns out to be the energy effective smart city by introducing BEMS and remote monitoring system of solar power generation and utilizing obtained data and know-how.

2014

Feasibility survey for

introduction of renewable energy

2015

Deliberation by council comprising industry, academia, citizens and government





Installation of a solar power remote monitoring system and increase of solar panels (10kW) at the Nakajima Comprehensive Cultural Center





Create

PV, remote monitoring



Future image of E-Island (good island), "Nakajima" with the harmony of gift from the sun and renewable energy

Use wisely

**BEMS** 





Save



# Yusuhara Town, Kochi

#### **About Yasuhara Town**

• Population: 3,542 (as of end of Dec.

2018)

Area: 236.51km<sup>2</sup>

Land use: Forest 91%, rice paddies

0.7%, horticulture 0.6%

• Key industries: forestry, construction





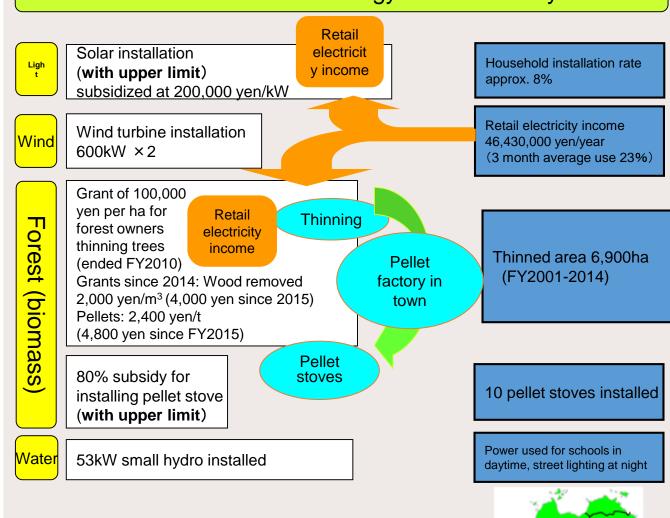
# Role of government, residents and business Yusuhara Town Eco-Wodel City Promotion Council Yusuhara Town Eco-Model City Promotion Council General Meeting Yusuhara Town Eco-Model City Promotion Council General Meeting Secretariat Secretariat CO2 forest carbon sink project group Committee Yusuhara Town Eco-Model City Promotion Council General Meeting Secretariat CO2 feduction Confine District Continue Council General Meeting Project group Continue Council General Meeting CO2 feduction Continue Council General Meeting Project group Continue Council General Meeting CO2 feduction Continue Council General Meeting CO3 feduction Continue Council General Meeting Continue C

Activities/Vision/Plan

# Outline of Characteristic Initiatives

model project promotion committee

# Best mix of renewable energy and the two cycles



# Minamata City, Kumamoto

## **About Minamata City**

Population: 24,859

(as of end of May 2018)

Area: 163.29 km<sup>2</sup>

Highlights of this area include the sawtooth Yunoko Coast facing the Shiranui Sea, a hot spring town with a real sense of history, and facilities with environmental themes.







#### Activities/Vision/Plan

#### **Minamata Environmental Academia**

Established in April 2016 as a central facility for higher education and research activities

Minamata Environmental Academia Philosophy

Contributions to the local community

 Organically linking industry, academia, government, and private residents, we contribute to the creation and sharing of new knowledge and local revitalization.

(Developing people, developing towns, and developing jobs)

#### Contributions to the world

 By collecting the knowledge, wisdom, and lessons of the Minamata area, we present solutions to the world in order to create a sustainable society.

# Outline of Characteristic Initiatives

# **SDG** activities in Minamata City

- Holding symposiums
- Professor Managi of Kyushu University offers lectures and panel discussions about Minamata's sustainability value using Inclusive Wealth, the new economic indicator replacing GDP.
- Carrying out SDG fieldwork
- Students from Minamata High School, designated a Super Global High School by MEXT, explain local activities based on SDGs to exchange students from overseas.
- Holding public lectures
- Lectures are held to help create a sustainable local community while meeting the particulars of each SDG by theme, with useful content familiar to local residents in their everyday lives such as health, environment, and food education



Local Minamata fieldwork by students from Keio University and universities from ASEAN countries







Minamata High School students select field







Constructing a sustainable local community

# Miyakojima City, Okinawa

## About Miyakojima City





Population: Approx. 55,000

Area: 205 km<sup>2</sup>

 Main industries: Agriculture, forestry and fisheries, tourism

Main products: sugar cane, mangoes







#### Activities/Vision/Plan

#### Eco Island Miyakojima Declaration 2.0



Toward the future a thousand years from now

Eco Island Miyakojima Declaration (march 30, 2018)



Eco Island Miyakojima's goals

1. We will protect our precious ground water which supports the island's life.

1. We will protect our beautiful coral reefs and the sea.

1. We will conserve our limited resources and energy by using our wisdom and creativity.

 We will act individually, aiming to make Miyakojima beautiful, tidy, and earth friendly.

•1. We will protect our forests, sea, and air and act to make an environment in which all living things can co-exist.

We will think and act together with the peoples of the world to preserve and protect our environment and pass it on to future generations.

Setting goals for five indicators in 2030 and 2050



Groundwater quality and



Household garbage volume



Energy self-supply ratio



Coral reef coverage



Local species preservation

# Outline of Characteristic Initiatives

# Miyakojima island-style smart community real-world project

- Aim to increase the self-sufficiency ratio with stable, sustained, and low-cost energy supply
- High-volume deployment of low-cost solar power is effective for achieving this goal
- Supply-demand balance adjustment capability is an issue for outlying islands because of the small grid
- Utilize IT/IoT to control solar power, HP water heaters, etc. as a community
- > Review promotion of solar power as the main source and demand-side adjustment capability

