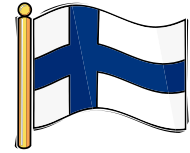


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Press Release

**Japan-Finland-Russia:
Launch of Trilateral Academic Partnership between
Universities of Turku, Hokkaido & St. Petersburg**

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The Embassy of Japan in Helsinki congratulates the Universities of Turku, Hokkaido (Japan) and St. Petersburg (Russia) on the upcoming launch of their trilateral academic research partnership on the Arctic.

The idea to build this three-way academic collaboration between the three universities emerged earlier this year, and will be put into action on Monday, 22nd September during the first official kickoff meeting in Helsinki. The three universities intend to collaborate in the fields of Logistics, Ecology, and Mining.

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