

## Information on the Nippon Foundation of Japan Fellowship Programme

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Please find attached a letter from Mr. Serguei Tarassenko, Director at UNDOALOS, relating to the United Nations – The Nippon Foundation of Japan Fellowship Programme for your information and possible broader distribution.

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Dear Mr. Mathiesen,

With the present letter, we are seeking your assistance in circulating information on the United Nations – The Nippon Foundation of Japan Fellowship Programme to all regional fisheries management organizations and arrangements (RFMO/As). The main objective of the Fellowship is to provide advanced education and training in the field of ocean affairs and the law of the sea, and related disciplines, to government officials and other mid-level professionals from developing States. We are pleased to note that during the last eight years, 70 awards have been made to nationals of 57 States.

Successful candidates will undertake their research/studies in two back-to-back phases: the first, lasting six months, with a participating academic host institution; and the second, lasting three months, with the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS), UN Office of Legal Affairs, or an appropriate participating host institution. The Fellowship Selection Committee is currently scheduled to convene in early October 2012 to award ten fellowships for the 2013-2014 session, and successful candidates will be expected to begin their placements early in 2013.

The Fellowship application deadline is 14 September 2012, and candidates should forward their applications directly to DOALOS. Additional information, including the application package, detailed application instructions, and a list of participating host institutions, is available on the Fellowship website: [www.un.org/depts/los/nippon](http://www.un.org/depts/los/nippon).

The wide publicity and support provided by the regional fisheries management organizations and arrangements will continue to contribute to the success of this Fellowship Programme, and DOALOS would therefore be grateful if you could bring to the attention of relevant RFMO/As the above information regarding opportunities afforded by the United Nations – The Nippon Foundation of Japan Fellowship Programme.

We appreciate your support to DOALOS' capacity building-programmes. Thank you for your continued cooperation in this matter.

Yours sincerely,



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