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To Nagasaki University people who act

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Hello.

This is Kohno Shigeru from Nagasaki University.

After my declaration of the Planetary Health theme in January 2020, by coincidence a new coronavirus began spreading across the world. This is a threatening situation.

Regarding the new virus, the Dean of the Institute of Tropical Medicine, Prof. Morita Koichi, and University Hospital Prof. Izumikawa Koichi were interviewed frequently on TV and in newspapers. Also, our hospital team is playing an important role in caring for people who return to Japan from Wuhan.

I am very proud of them as a member of Nagasaki University community.

We must work together with all our strength to prevent the spread of the virus.

This month I'm happy to report on the concrete suggestions and progress for the Planetary Health project.

### **Logo Design**

We received a request from a professor at the Center for Educational Innovation for a Planetary Health logo design which can be printed on business cards.

Similarly, a professor from the Institute of Tropical Medicine wants to use a Planetary Health logo for slides.

To respond to these requests, we announced a public competition for a logo design.

Please see this URL:

<http://www.nagasaki-u.ac.jp/ja/about/info/news/news3056.html>

Please join this competition.

This competition is open to anyone, including students and professionals.

If you have an interest in Planetary Health, please apply.

### **Seminars**

Some of our colleagues are planning Planetary Health seminars or study groups.

I am looking forward to seeing more activities.

If it's possible, I hope the following points will be noted:

1. Cross-faculty and cross-departmental projects
2. Projects including student and citizen participation if possible
3. Public relations handled by the Nagasaki University Center for Public Relations Strategy

If you have any suggestions please contact me or Director-General Mr. Yokomachi of the Administration Bureau. Other events are also expected.

Specific plans will be launched soon.

Personally, I am very excited.

The important thing is for each of you to act voluntarily.

In addition, we will establish a support system led by the Director-General of the Administration Bureau for the implementation of the project. I would like to thank everyone involved.

I want to be a "Nagasaki University person who takes action."

Please show your support. I hope to see your new plans soon.

Don't hesitate to send me email.