

DISTRIBUTE TO: Region Through Territory Leaders, Zone and Territory Offices
FROM: SGI-USA Organization Center
SUBJECT: **October Kosen-rufu Gongyo Meetings**

Please share this information with those planning the October Kosen-rufu Gongyo Meetings.

For Meetings at SGI-USA Centers

On August 31st, the 42nd Headquarters Leaders Meeting of the New Era of Worldwide Kosen-rufu was held at the Kanagawa Ikeda Auditorium in conjunction with the SGI Youth Training Course.

The meeting was attended by 270 SGI members from 65 countries and territories visiting Japan on a training course.

Ikeda Sensei sent a message to the meeting praising the Bodhisattvas of the Earth who had traveled from around the world exerting a profound sense of seeking spirit. He noted that the Soka Gakkai has created the ultimate solidarity inspired by the humanism we embrace that transcends countries, cultures and generations, and called out to his fellow members to embark anew on a voyage across the immense seas of shared struggle, of our quest for justice, solidarity and empowerment of humankind.

Meeting Program: 30 minutes

Chorus: SGI-Europe Youth Division	6 min
Activity Report: SGI Spain Youth Leader	7 min
President Harada's speech	7 min
Video of President Ikeda's speech	10 min

For Meetings Outside SGI-USA Centers

Designated handlers please play the DVD:
"Dialogue With Nature" (Revised)

Total Running Time: 13 minutes Includes: Arts & Culture

Serving as a bridge that connects cultures, this video showcases President Ikeda's photography and artistic expression, including why he began taking photos and reflections about our shared connection with nature. This video features various episodes of President Ikeda's travels to Russia, Nepal, France and Japan.

Important: Each location should receive a copy of this DVD prior to your scheduled meeting. Please confirm with the video handlers that the DVD is tested prior to the meeting.

OCTOBER: Activity Focus for SGI-USA

Distinguished Pioneer of American Kosen-rufu Award 2019

To recognize the tremendous efforts of our pioneers, SGI-USA will hold ceremonies in October to honor all members who joined in 1979 and were at least 16 years old at the time they joined. At these ceremonies, all pioneers will receive an official certificate and folder for their many years of dedication to American Kosen-Rufu.

Sustaining Contribution Promotion

Sustaining Contributions provide steady, vital financial support to the SGI-USA throughout the year, which is essential to support our expansion efforts and membership. Please promote at October Kosen-rufu Gongyo meetings as well as at Discussion meetings.

October Discussion Meetings

We would like to encourage each District to continue their small group breakouts, utilizing the monthly PowerPoint presentation prepared by the National Youth Leaders. The PowerPoint presentation will be distributed to all District leaders by Friday, September 27.