

# Financial Accountability and Mobilization of Resources

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- ▶ Financial Resources and Accountability
- ▶ Secretariat
- ▶ Partnership Development

# 1. Financial Resources and Accountability

- ▶ RfP Japan's activities are all supported by donation from members and supporters of RfP Japan.

## 【Members】

- ▶ 29 Board Members
- ▶ 13 Council Members
- ▶ 12 Senior Advisors



**Monetary contribution strengthens RfP members' positive commitment and dedication to its activities**



## 5 Elements of Collecting Donation

- 1) Democratic Process
- 2) Transparency of Decision Making Process
- 3) Constant Report
- 4) Face-to-Face Communication
- 5) Supporters System



# 1) Democratic Process

▶ RfP Japan holds board and council meetings 4 times a year.

▶ Annual budget is determined on the meetings in a democratic way.



## 2) Transparency of Decision Making

▶ Board meetings are open to the media. News reporters can write the articles about board meetings.



↓ Media Report

▶ Auditors conduct an audit and check every financial statement at the end of the year.



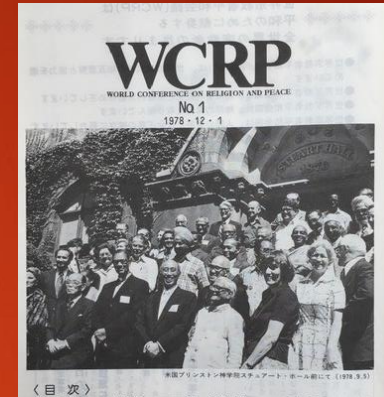
← Annual Audit

### 3) Constant Report

▶ Monthly Newsletter for more than 35 years

▶ Annual report

All activities are covered and the financial report is attached. Annual report is open to public and post on our website.





## 4) Face-to-Face Communication

- ▶ It is very important to visit the place where RfP members belong to, and have face to face heartfelt conversation.
- ▶ This is the best way to reach out to people and develop mutual understanding.





## 5) Supporters System

- ▶ Supporting Membership System since 1984.
- ▶ Individual membership/ Group membership.
- ▶ 600 individual supporters
- ▶ 3 group supporters
- ▶ In gratitude to supporters, we provide special offer.
- ▶ Donation from the website



## 2. Secretariat



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- ▶ Secretariats of RfP Japan are basically all seconded from member religious communities.
- ▶ Currently there are 13 staffs at the office from Rissho Kosei-kai and Myochikai (Lay Buddhist organizations)
- ▶ There were secretariats from Catholic, Tendai Traditional Buddhism, and other religious denominations in the past.
- ▶ Internship, Part-time, Volunteers





# 10 Benefits of Secretariat

Secretariat can

1. Engage with realizing world peace
2. Polish oneself as religious person
3. Broaden the horizons
4. Develop various practical capacities
5. Interact with people in the world
6. Meet a wide variety of people
7. Have lively learning opportunities
8. Increase public diplomacy
9. Have lots of fun
10. Deepen spirituality



# 3 Principles of office management

## ▶ Vision

We, secretariats, always focus on creating peace in the world and being mindful of people who are suffering in this world.

## ▶ Heart

We, secretariats, have cheerful and proactive mind, energize and encourage others.

## ▶ Action

We, secretariats, value face-to-face communication by using our foot.



Partnerships with various sectors including the UN agencies, Politicians, Media, NGOs, Academia and etc.

We enhance partnerships to advance mutual understanding, and moreover, we acknowledge these partnerships are **win-win opportunity** to utilize mutual resources.

↓UN Agencies



Academic Sector⇒



Parliamentarians↑

### 3. Partnership Development



# Challenges

- ▶ Many of our supporting members are members since its foundation of RfP Japan so that they are aging and recruiting new supports are required.
- ▶ We also have a very few donors from cooperates and foundations. Therefore, advancing partnership with cooperates and foundations would be necessary.