



August 15th, 2021

Shandong University, China

Dear President Fan Liming:

On behalf of Shimane University, I would like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to you, your faculty and staff, and your students on the celebration of the 120th Anniversary of Shandong University. It is our great honor to celebrate with you on this significant occasion when you can look back with pride at your remarkable achievements and your continuing growth.

Shandong University and Shimane University started our academic relationship in 2005, and our relationship has seen great progress with the mutual exchange programs. We would like to express our sincere gratitude for all of your support and cooperation with us.

We have been forced to suspend substantial exchanges with other countries due to COVID-19, and this pandemic has brought us unprecedented challenges. However, it will not stop our cooperation. We are confident that we will be able to overcome this significant challenge confronting human kind if the whole world works together.

In the end, I heartily hope the friendship between Shandong University and Shimane University will continue and make progressive advances in the future. I look forward to the pleasure of working with you to strengthen our close bilateral ties and our partnership. I believe that Shandong University will further develop greatly under your leadership.

Please accept my warmest regards and cordial wishes for you and Shandong University.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hattori Yasunao".

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HATTORI Yasunao

President

Shimane University