2023 ABE Initiative Program Application Schedule

1. Announcements through relevant ministries/institutions (including private companies) in Libya (mid-September)
2. Application submission by applicants (until mid-October)
3. First Selection based on documents (mid-September – mid-October)
4. Second Selection（Interview of short listed candidates）(mid-October – end-October)
5. Submission of Final candidates with final documents to JICA (early-November)
6. Third Selection (matching with university) (December – January 2023, some universities have earlier deadline)
7. Final Selection by university/JICA (February 2023 – July 2023)

**NOTES**

・When soliciting ABEs, **please do not solicit widely.** This is based on the instructions from the Ministry of Finance to recruit strategically in light of the program objectives. However, there is no problem in using SNS for recruitment if the recruitment is strategic and focused on a specific group (e.g., recruiting through SNS groups that include personnel who meet the recruitment and selection strategy developed at each site in order to secure excellent personnel after consultation with the government of the destination country).

・As the mid-term goal for this fiscal year is to increase the ratio of female trainees and students to 40% or more, we would appreciate it if the same ratio could be taken into account in the selection process for countries that can select two or more successful candidates for the local selection process. (Reference: The ratio of women in the ABE 1-8 batch is approximately 27%, and the ratio of women in the ABE/SDG students scheduled to arrive in Japan this year is approximately 34%.)