

# <Outline of ica>

## Izumisano Cross-cultural Association , Specified Nonprofit Organization

**Establishment:** September 22, 1990 Established as Izumisano Cross-cultural Association (ica)  
April 22, 2003 Approved as Specified Nonprofit Organization

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**Types/Number of Members(as of 31, March, 2019):**

**Regular Member** ①Individual/258 ②Student/4 ③Corporate•Group/11

**Total number of people involved in ica activities(2018/4-2019/3):** 5,380

*ica* is where people from around the world gather and interact without any boundaries in order to learn something new from each other. We promote the grass-root level of international cultural exchange with our members. Izumisano City supports us with finances and human resources, and we also cooperate and collaborate with Izumisano City to plan and carry out activities.

### —Mission—

- ① We contribute to global peace, prosperity, well-being and the happiness of people through promoting new friendships, cultural exchange, and solidarity. Therefore, we seek out interactions with different countries, regions, and people.
- ② We create a global city, Izumisano, that is full of humanity.

### —Activities—

1. International cultural exchange events  
*ica* organizes events including introduction of Japanese culture, traditional dances and music, and sports, sometimes with other organizations or groups.
2. Japanese language class  
Japanese language lessons for foreign people who live in and around Izumisano (Private lessons)  
Class for Japanese language teachers
3. Foreign language support and activities  
Translation, Interpretation, and Foreign language study
4. Cooperation in international understanding for children  
Sending foreign people to schools
5. Homestay coordination  
Accepting homestays and home visits
6. Publicity  
*icaNEWS* published the 1<sup>st</sup> of every month