

## **Gender Equal Participation at the Science Council of Japan (Statement)**

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The Science Council of Japan (SCJ) makes the following statement, with a goal of realizing gender equal participation in the Japanese scientific system:

- 1) As one of the key items for the self-reform of the Science Council of Japan, to set up a numerical target to increase the percentage of women members to 10 percent by 2010;
- 2) To revise the SCJ's registration forms to be filled in by academic associations to include more information on gender equality, and when requesting to recommend candidates for SCJ members, to release the relevant data, including the sex of the presidents as well as the total number and the sex ratios of members, board members, editorial committee members, reviewing committee members, etc.;
- 3) To investigate how each academic association has responded to the SCJ president's written requests to promote gender equal participation at the SCJ, and to release the findings; and
- 4) To make further efforts to increase the number of women members among the SCJ's Liaison Committee.