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Letter from the HOC Chair

Dear Fellow

As you may know from 23 to 26 June 2013 the 104Th Rotary International Convention will be held in Lisbon. As part of the Host Events, we are organizing the 2nd International Rotary Opera Contest (IROC).

The IROC was open to young lyric singers of all nationalities. The competitors are aged between 18 and 33 years old on the 1st June 2013.

An IROC selection panel, had chosen 24 singers of 18 countries to take part in the competition. Among them is a young Japanese lyric singer named Yoshiaki Kimura, whose photo and curriculum are attached. His e-mail address is <u>zennmei08280@yahoo.co.pi</u>

We recommend that the competitors may be supported by Rotary Districts or Rotary Clubs that want to participate in this project. In this case, the competitors will represent the sponsor Districts or sponsor Rotary Club.

Interested competitors, could be presented with a prize at a Rotary District or Rotary Club event, where they could give a musical performance.

These prizes would be "vouchers" contracted with a travel agency to allow the competitors to come to Lisbon and be accommodated for 5 days.

We estimate that the value of each "voucher" will vary between 750 Euros (for travel within Europe) and 1500 Euros (for travel from outside Europe) based upon an accommodation cost in Lisbon of 500 Euros maximum, the remainder being the travel cost.

To give you a better idea about this contest, please download the 1st IROC report <u>here</u>.

You can also download the regulations of the 2nd International Rotary Opera Contest <u>here</u>, and furthermore they can also be consulted online at <u>www.rotaryoperacontest.com</u>

The Honor Committee of the 2nd IROC will include the names of the Governors of the Rotary Districts and/or the Presidents of the Supporters Rotary Clubs

I look forward to hearing from you soon and I hope that

your feedback will be favourable.

Yours Sincerely,

Luis Miguel Duarte 2013 Lisbon Convention HOC Chair



Yoshiaki KIMURA Bass

Yoshiaki Kimura graduated from the Faculty of Music Arts from the University of Tokyo, After studied Master-Oper in Karlsruhe and Toulon Conservatoir and Flanders Opera Studio and Master-Lied in Stuttgart. He study now Konzertexamen-Gesang in Trossingen. In 2011, Le Nozze di Figaro production of the Sommer Oper Bamberg, he sung the role of Figaro. He was elected to the role of Figaro from among 380 people. • Winner of the first singing contest in Japan. • Winner of the 11th "New Hope Sakurapia Contest" where he received the grand prize Sakurapia. • Finalist of the 8th international contest of song "Schubert-Japanische Geselleschaft.