

Date: October 31, 2023

Haraguchi Shingo
Chair, Safe Community Steering Committee
Mayor, Kurume City, Japan

**Re: Notice of International Accreditation of Kurume City as a member of
the International Safe Community Network (3rd designation)**

Dear Mayor Haraguchi

We are pleased to inform you that the appointed certifiers have recommended us to decided that we, on the basis of their audit, give clearance for re-designation of Kurume City as an International Safe Community.

We therefore now inform you that Kurume City now is ready for re-designation.

Attached you can read our guidelines for the re-designation. Not that we now also have possibilities for re-designation on line.

Before the re-designation we take it for granted that you write a report about the good example that was discussed during the evaluation process.

We congratulate you to your good work for safety.



Reza Mohammadi
Chair
International Safe Community Certifying Centre



Guldbrand Skjönberg
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International Safe Community Certifying Centre

Guideline to the community

Designation

Location and internal invitations to the designation

Designation is a very important day for the safe community work. It is a day when the work of the cross-sector groups responsible for safety promotion in the community and representatives for all the parts in the community; political parties and commissions, administrative units and Non-governmental organisations together celebrate the important work they have done. It is also a manifestation for the future collaboration in the program. It is therefore a prerequisite that

- All involved representatives are invited.
- The designation process takes place in the community

External invitations to the designation

1. The Safe Community Certifying Centres have an agreement with International Safe Community Support Centres to support Safe Communities. It is therefore important to invite them.
2. One of the pillar stones for Safe Communities is that non-governmental organisations, different groups of interested citizens and so on are involved in the work for increased safety. It is therefore a good opportunity to invite all to the ceremony
3. The Safe Community network has many communities interested in the work for developing safety. It is a huge work that no one can do by its own. It is therefore necessary for all members to collaborate and share experience and result of different projects. It is therefore important to invite all members who are in the geographical area.
4. Invite also communities that are interested and under the process to be members in the network.

Tentative program for the ceremony

- 1 A short presentation of the Safe Community work and experience by the local leader.
- 2 The certifier makes a presentation of the International Safe Community Network. The importance to work for Safe Communities and takes examples from other communities.
- 3 All who shall sign the agreement to enter the podium.
- 4 The agreement will be signed
- 5 The certifier declares the community as a Safe Community and member of the international network.
- 6 A brass plaque will be hand over and Safe Community flag. Some fanfare by trumpets or some other musical arrangements.
- 7 The certifier read the congratulation letter from the chairman.
- 8 Congratulations from other Safe Communities and others.