

Request for donations

1. Donation project

Support for Gender Diversity and Development of Female AI Researchers

2. Project to be supported

(1) Project Title

Support for Promotion of Gender Equality in the research environment for AI researchers

(2) Overview

The RIKEN Center for Advanced Intelligence Project aims to achieve scientific breakthrough and to contribute to the welfare of society and humanity through developing innovative technologies. We also conduct research on ethical, legal and social issues caused by the spread of Artificial intelligence (AI) technology and develop human resources.

In addition, securing the number of AI researchers is an urgent issue for our country, and this center is also actively promoting human resource development in collaboration with various companies, universities, research institutes, etc.

This project aims to increase the number of female high school and junior high school students that want to enter STEM university courses in mathematics, data science, informatics and AI by holding seminars for them. Also, we encourage female undergraduate students in those areas to continue to study mathematics, data science, informatics and AI at graduate school. The purpose of both these measures will help female students to draw a picture of their career as a researcher.

(3) Project details

1) Conducted by

The RIKEN Center for Advanced Intelligence Project

Director, Masashi Sugiyama

2) Details

- Support for seminar costs for female junior high and high school students
- Support for event costs for summer camps for female undergraduate students
- Research expenditures and dissemination of findings for the project

3. Target amount

75 million yen in total

4. Donation period

December 1, 2024, to March 31, 2032

5. Expenditure plan (approximate amounts)

- Operational expenses for the web platform for this initiative: 10 million yen
- Speaker honoraria, travel costs, and lodging expenses for events for female junior high and high school students: 5 million yen
- Online streaming and consumable supplies expenses for events targeting female junior high and high school students: 5 million yen
- Costs for hosting summer camps for female undergraduates (venue rental, honorariums, travel, accommodation, etc.) 40 million yen
- Making activity reports: 10 million yen
- Expenditures on research and dissemination of findings for the project: 5 million yen

6. Donation procedures

Please refer to the website below.

- Support RIKEN on RIKEN's external website (<http://www.riken.jp/en/about/support/>)

7. Special benefits

- Donors are posted on the website, mentioned in thank-you remarks/signs at event programs, etc.
- Donors whose donation (within a fiscal year) is 1 million yen or more will be invited to events for female graduate and undergraduate students and networking sessions with female researchers.

8. Inquiries regarding the project

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