



The 17th KIX International Friendship Dragon Boat Festival!

A summer fixture of Kansai International Airport returns after four years!

Kansai Airports is thrilled to announce the 17th KIX International Friendship Dragon Boat Festival to be held on Sunday, August 20, 2023 organized by the KIX Dragon Boat Competition Executive Committee (consisted of the Japan Dragon Boat Association, the Wakayama Dragon Boat Association, and Kansai Airports).

Dragon boat is a universal sport that anyone can enjoy regardless of gender or age. Teams of ten to twenty paddlers, a drummer and a steerer compete against each other in the race. It is drawing increasing attention as a sporting event and was selected as an official event for the World Masters Games 2027 Kansai to be held in 2027. The total of 44 teams, international teams in addition to domestic teams, competes this summer. Please invite everyone to enjoy heated races with a unique backdrop to an offshore airport of the terminal buildings and airplanes in the air. Kansai Airports Group will continue to create new travel experiences by offering exciting events to our customers.

Date and time : Sunday, August 20, 2023, from 8:30 to 17:00

Venue : "The special 200-meter course in the inner water" (The waterway between Kansai International Airport Islands 1 and 2.) "

Organizer : The KIX Dragon Boat Competition Executive Committee
(The Japan Dragon Boat Association, the Wakayama Dragon Boat Association, Kansai Airports)

Main planner : The Osaka Dragon Boat Association

Partner : The World Masters Games 2021 Kansai Organizing Committee

Sponsors : Shima Seiki MFG., Ltd., Iwatani Corporation, Takenaka Corporation, Obayashi Corporation, Daikin Industries, Ltd., Mitsubishi Electric Corporation, Rengo Co., Ltd., Hankyu Corporation, Kintetsu Group Holdings Co., Ltd., Suntory Holdings Limited

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Festival website: <https://www.kansai-airport.or.jp/event/dragon2023/overview>

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Kansai Airports Kobe, Kansai Airports' wholly-owned subsidiary, took over the operations of Kobe Airport ("KOBE") from Kobe City and started its business as an operating company on April 1, 2018.

Under the concept of "One Kansai Airports Group", Kansai Airports group strives to continuously improve its services for all airport guests through appropriate investments and efficient operations, with safety and security being the top priority. Kansai Airports group aims to maximize the potential of the three airports, for the benefit of the communities they serve.

For more information, please visit : <http://www.kansai-airports.co.jp/en/>

Kansai Airports

Location	1-banchi, Senshu-kuko kita, Izumisano-shi, Osaka	Shareholders	ORIX 40%, VINCI Airports 40%, Other investors 20% ¹
Company Representatives	Representative Director and CEO:Yoshiyuki Yamaya Representative Director and Co-CEO: Benoit Rulleau		
Business Scope	Operation and management services, etc. of Kansai International Airport and Osaka International Airport		

Kansai Airports Kobe

Location	1-ban, Kobe-kuko, Chuo-ku, Kobe-shi, Hyogo	Shareholder	Kansai Airports 100%
Company Representatives	Representative Director and CEO: Yoshiyuki Yamaya Representative Director and Co-CEO: Benoit Rulleau		
Business Scope	Operation and management services, etc. of Kobe Airport		



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Established in 1964, from its start in the leasing business, ORIX has advanced into neighboring fields and is presently undertaking a wide range of businesses such as corporate finance, industrial/ICT equipment, environment and energy, automobile-related, real estate-related, private equity investment and concession, banking and life insurance businesses. Since entering Hong Kong in 1971, ORIX has been operating its businesses globally by establishing locations in about 30 countries and regions across the world.

Going forward, ORIX intends to utilize its strengths and expertise of always generating new value to contribute to society by engaging in corporate activities that instill vitality in its companies and workforce based on ORIX's unique business model that continues to evolve perpetually.

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The world's leading private airport operator, VINCI Airports operates 72 airports in 13 countries. Thanks to its expertise as a global integrator, VINCI Airports develops, finances, builds and manages airports by providing its investment capacity and its know-how in optimizing operational performance, modernizing infrastructure and managing their operations and environmental transition. VINCI Airports is the first airport operator to have committed to an international environmental strategy in 2016, to achieve the goal of net zero emissions across its entire network by 2050.

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