

ACE Profile

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Name	Action against Child Exploitation (ACE)			
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Foundation	Founded in December 1st, 1997. Registered as a Non-Profit organization under Japanese law ("Tokutei Hieiri Katsudo Houjin") on August 8th, 2005 by Tokyo Prefecture, and as an Authorized NPO Foundation ("Nintei NPO Houjin") in 2010 by the National Tax Agency of JAPAN, and in 2015 by Tokyo Prefecture.			
Organizational Structure	Board Member (7), Auditor (2), Adviser (11), Secretariat Division (Followings) Full-time (7), Part-time (4), Intern (4)			
Finance (fiscal year 2014)	Total income	82 million yen	Total outcome	78 million yen
	Details of income	Donation (63%) Earned income (27%) Grants (6%) Membership (4%)	Details of outcome	Child Rights Protection (44%) Strengthening Participation and Engagement (22%) Awareness Rising and Advocacy (13%) Promotion Social Business (7%) Others (14%)
member	Individual: Monthly supporters (419), Regular members (142), Supporting members (86), Donations (134) Non-profit organization, Private company: Supporting members (24), Donations (93) (the numbers of members as of November, 2015)			
History and mission	<p>ACE is an NGO for international cooperation, whose vision is to realize children's rights and a safe society for all children. There are 168 million children around the world who cannot receive an education and are in danger of injury or disease because of hazardous labour. We take action for the abolition and prevention of Child Labor with the citizens in Japan, and in our project areas. Our projects are in Japan, India, and Ghana.</p> <p>In recent years Child labor is a great concern in the world. Kailash Satyarthi, who is the founder of the Global March Against Child Labor, which inspired the creation of ACE, received the Nobel Peace Prize in 2014. "Sustainable Development Goals" adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in 2015, targets an end to child labor by 2025. Since worldwide 60% of all child laborers work in agriculture, we focus on the Cocoa and Cotton industries. We operate not only through International cooperation activity, but also by collaborating with private corporations, and engaging in consumer education, to find solutions to the issue in Japan.</p>			
Accolades	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nominee for The U.S. Department of Labor Iqbal Masih Award for the Elimination of Child Labor (2012) - Japan Partnership Award (2013) - Nominee for the Excellent NPO Award (2014) - Instructional Materials for Consumer Education Award (2015) - The NGO Strengthen Organization award for Appointment and Success of Women (2015) - Nikkei Social Initiative Award – International Division (2016) 			
Activities (Fiscal year 2014)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Child Rights Protection Program: International cooperation activities to abolish and prevent Child Labor and to support Children and their family in India and Ghana. - Advocacy Program: Seminars, Developing and spreading teaching materials, Participation in international conferences, Advocacy, and Disseminating information - Awareness – Raising and Support Program: Selling fair trading products and original goods, Promoting volunteer activities, and collecting contributions from the general public and supporters - Socially Responsible Business Acceleration Program: Promoting ethical business and consumption, Collaborating with private corporations and Consulting 			
Major Achievements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Saved about 1,200 children from Child Labour, and supported education for 13,000 children in India and Ghana through Field Program (2009 - 2015). - Organized events and seminars on child labour issues at schools, universities, organizations and companies etc. (392 places and about 33,000 participants, 2010 - 2015) - Acted as the secretariat for The Child Labour Network (CL-Net), and organized campaign events annually. (513,935 signatures gathered and submitted to Concerned Ministries of Japan in 2015) - Sold in excess of 16,100 Ladybird Chocolates "Shiawasewohakobu Tentoumushichoko" to support children in ACE's Project area in Ghana (2015). - Collaborated with the Japanese chocolate maker, Morinaga & Co., Ltd. to produce and sell Fair Trade labelled chocolate with cacao produced in ACE's Project area in Ghana (2014, 2015). - Conducted material procurement for apparel maker, Lee Japan Co., LTD. (2011 - 2013) - Produced and offered viewings of a documentary film "the Valentine Rising": showed in 36 prefectures and 185 places, with audiences in excess of 8,000 people (2013.1 – 2014.8) - Published a primer book about Child Labour "I am 8 years old, I don't want to work anymore" (Godo-Shuppan, 2007, 15000 were published) and "Chocolate bringing happiness to children" (Godo-shuppan, 2015). 			
Board Member	Yuka IWATSUKI, Yutaka KOBAYASHI, Tomoko SHIROKI (Founder members) Daisuke SHINTANI, Takao YASUNAGA, Satoru MIYAMOTO, Mari NIWA			
Auditor	Takako OHISHI, Mei YAZAKI			