Regarding Reception of the Spring Imperial Decoration by IRID International Adviser Luis Echavarri

Regarding the above, Mr. Luis Echavarri, who is undertaking international advising for our organization, received the 2014 Spring Imperial Decoration (Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon) on April 29. (He was one of 55 foreign recipients of Imperial Decorations.)

Mr. Echavarri is the former Director-General of the Nuclear Energy Agency (NEA) of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) (retired on April 30). He was awarded for his achievements in contributing to the strengthening of Japan's nuclear safety, as well as the promoting of understanding toward Japan by the international community. This is the first time for an executive from the NEA to receive the award.

For information such as his main personal history and activities, please see the links below.

<u>Announcement by the Permanent Delegation of Japan to the OECD</u> <u>http://www.oecd.emb-japan.go.jp/en/pdf/Mr.%20Luis%20Echavarri.%20english.pdf</u>

List of Award Recipients by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan http://www.mofa.go.jp/announce/info/conferment/pdfs/2014_sp.pdf