Dear Joni,

This letter is to announce our intention to host the 75th World Science Fiction Convention from August 24th to 28th 2017 at Shizuoka City, Japan.

Japan hosted Worldcon in 2007 for the first time. Nippon2007 were five magical days where so many SF fans came together from all over the world. Nowadays, talented Science Fiction writers are emerging from Japan, as in the entertainment field such as movies, animes and games. We would like to have more people in the world to know about this new stream of Japanese Science Fiction, and also Japanese fans to get to know overseas fans, writers, and artists even more. A Worldcon in Japan will be a great opportunity to mix fans from all over the world.

In the science and technology field, many Japanese academics and scholars who grew up absorbing offspring of Japanese SF are now actually pursuing the futuristic world. With cutting-edge technology and findings, we may say that Japan is a futuristic country than anywhere else in the world. We believe hosting a Worldcon in such a country will be a great advantage for the future of science fiction. We will do all our best to bring this great opportunity.

Attached are the following documents:
1. Welcome letter from Shizuoka City Mayor. (Japanese and English translation)
2. Invitation letter from Japan National Tourist Organization (JNTO). (English)
3. Permission letter from our main venue Granship. (Japanese and English translation)
4. Hotel Room reservation letter from Shizuoka City Association of Hotel and Inn cooperative. (Japanese and English translation)
5. Articles of Incorporation for Japan Science Fiction Association (association that will host the Worldcon).

Should we be selected to host the 75th Worldcon, our convention co-chairs shall be Shigeru Hayashida, Masaharu Imaoka, and Takahisa Nakaya.

Thank you very much for your consideration.
Yours sincerely,

Nippon in 2017 bid chair

Hideaki Kawai