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I would like to congratulate a group of researchers at Faculty of Economics, Yamaguchi University for their hard work which led to an occasion of inauguration of the peer-reviewed research journal in the area of hospitality and tourism in English.

Even though Japan has been the second largest economy of the world for more than 35 years in terms of GDP, there has been no known English research journal in the field of hospitality and tourism management, housed in Japan.We, the researchers of hospitality and tourism in the rest of the world, are eager to listen to your thoughts and ideas to be added to the existing body of knowledge shared in the world.

I have been to Japan several times and I feel that Japan is the best kept secret in terms of tourism resources. Japan is known for coexistence of high-technology and old traditions, and it is one of the most efficient and the safest destination in the world.

With the inauguration of the Journal, we hope this will be a place of exchange of research outputs and unique ideas of researchers from Asia, Pacific, Europe, Americas, Africa and the Middle East in the field of Tourism Economics, Policy and Hospitality Management.