



Ireland and Japan: Delivering Shared Ambition



7 High Level Engagements
since July 2022



Photo: Cabinet Public Affairs Office

Japanese Language Learning in Ireland

Ireland is EU No.1 in terms of the number of Japanese language learners per capita.

11 primary schools
(Say Yes to Languages module),
35 secondary schools
and 5 colleges teach Japanese



Cultural Exchange Programmes

112 Irish people are participating in the JET (Japan Exchange and Teaching) Programme currently - a cumulative total of over

1,400 people to date

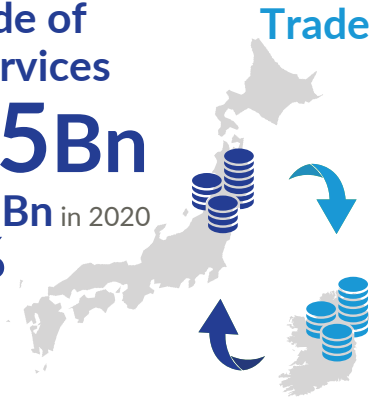


Ireland will send its first delegation to Japan's Ship for World Youth Programme in January 2024

Two way trade of goods and services

€23.35Bn

Up from **€16.71 Bn** in 2020
Increase of **40%**



Agri-food trade in 2022 was

€213.8M

up from **€134.9m** in 2019



The top 3 export items are dairy

€89.8M

pigmeat **€56.5M**
and beef **€30.3M**

Exchanges in Horse Racing since 1993 **Sport**



Photo: JRA Tyros Stakes, Leopardstown Racecourse

The **JRA Tyros Stakes** (Leopardstown Racecourse) and the **Ireland Trophy Fuchu Himba Stakes** (JRA Tokyo Racecourse)

Major Investments by Ireland in Japan

Ireland House

Expo 2025
Osaka, Kansai, Japan



FDI

Japan is the largest source of Foreign Direct Investment into Ireland from the Asia-Pacific region

Examples of Japan's FDI in Ireland in 2023 alone:

Softbank (Cubic Telecom), Mitsubishi Power (ammonia power plant), Daiwa Security Group (IBI Corporate Finance), Astellas Ireland (pharmaceutical), SMBC Aviation Capital (SAF), HITACHI GlobalLogic (Sidero), Hitachi Energy (Bus Éireann's depot), RICOH (PFH Technology Group), Daiwa Energy and Infrastructure (road infrastructure)

R&D

- Partnership between **UCC** and **National Diet Library** - Enabling access to Japan's Digitized Contents Transmission Service Portal from Ireland
- Collaboration in **pharmaceuticals** and **renewable energy** such as SAF



"Ghost & Witch" series
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Culture - Film and Manga

Irish Film Festival
inaugural edition in Japan in 2023

Well established **Japanese Film Festival** in Ireland since 2008