

Embassy of Japan

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2020 Autumn Conferment of Decoration

H. E. Dr. Mohammed bin Saleh Al Sada

On November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 (Japan Time), the Government of Japan announced the foreign recipients of the 2020 Autumn Imperial Decorations. H. E. Dr. Mohammed bin Saleh Al Sada is among this year's foreign recipients and, in recognition of his contributions towards strengthening the relationship between Japan and the State of Qatar, he will receive the Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun.

- DECORATION: Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun
- SERVICE: Contributed to stable supply of energy resources to Japan and strengthening the relation between Japan and the State of Qatar
- NAME: H. E. Dr. Mohammed bin Saleh Al Sada
- MAJOR TITLE: Former Minister of Energy and Industry

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS

H.E. Dr. AL Sada has played a significant role for many years in strengthening the relation between Japan and Qatar. In his role as Minister of Energy and Industry, he contributed to the stable supply of energy resources to Japan by ensuring the reliable performance of the purchase contract for seven years from 2011 to 2018. In addition, during the 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake, H. E. Dr. Al Sada had made a great effort to ensure additional emergency supply of about 4 million tons of liquefied natural gas (LNG) to Japan, responding to a request from Japan to cover a shortage of energy resources due to the suspension of nuclear power plants. Also, H.E. Dr. Al Sada had contributed to the implementation of humanitarian projects provided by the State of Qatar to Japan to support reconstruction from the disaster of the Earthquake as a chairperson of the Qatari side of "Japan-Qatar Joint Economic Committee". (END)