

レセプション挨拶

Good evening, everyone. This is today's final program, welcome reception.

Today, during the opening ceremony of the Congress, I mentioned about 60 year anniversary in my remarks as a president of WCE2017, but here I will rather talk about 100 year anniversaries. As most of you know, the Russian revolution took place in 1917, although the Soviet Union has already been diminished. Dr. Itsuzo Shigematsu, one of the fathers of epidemiology in Japan was born in 1917. You might remember his name because he was introduced in the plenary lecture 2 given by Professor Yanagawa in this afternoon. I would like to celebrate the centennial anniversary of Dr. Itsuzo Shigematsu's birth on this occasion of the Congress. He was looking forward to this WCE2017 very much, but unfortunately passed away 6 years ago. In public health fields in Japan, the origin of the welfare commissioner system, "*Minseii-in*" in Japanese, which is a volunteer system in the community, was established 100 years ago. Nikon, one of the world famous opto-electronics and precision technology companies, was born in 1917. I love Nikon by this way. The first jazz music was recorded in a disk in 1917. And, among others, the most important 100 year anniversary for me is that, Fukuoka High School in Fukuoka City, the high school I was graduated from, celebrated 100 year anniversary two months ago.

It's indeed my great pleasure to host the World Congress in such a meaningful year.

In this evening, please chat about the future of epidemiology with drinks and snacks.

Thank you.