4. Direction of our International Strategy

Tohoku University aims to deepen its international collaborations and contribute to the world through comprehensive internationalization.

- <u>Deepening International Collaboration</u>: To contribute to solving pressing social issues in Japan and overseas, Tohoku University will deepen international collaboration with various outside partners and take a leading role in developing leaders with a global perspective, creating innovative knowledge for the public good, and collaborating with industry across borders.
- <u>Comprehensive Internationalization</u>: To fulfill our duties as a comprehensive research university leading our "knowledge-intensive society", everyone at Tohoku University is responsible for internationalization and for our becoming a worldwide hub for talented individuals, resources, and networks.

The main purpose of our *International Strategy* is to fully achieve Tohoku University's mission and vision through two processes: deepening international collaboration and comprehensive internationalization. To this end, this *International Strategy* promotes these two processes in all of Tohoku University activities. The *International Strategy* shows the activities that should be undertaken, divided into four targets: education, research, university-industry collaboration, and the tackling of social issues, and it also details the two processes that will guide us towards reaching those targets. The International Strategy Office, acting directly under the President, will contribute to the university-wide realization of each target by promoting activities focused on the two processes. Through the above, under the leadership of the President, by promoting and supporting open and international open academic exchanges by various actors within the university, by promoting international development in line with the unique strategies of the university as a whole and of individual departments, we will develop an organizational culture that encourages deeper international collaboration through the participation of everyone at the university, and progressively implement Tohoku University's *International Strategy*.