

**Conclusion of Comprehensive Partnership Agreement with Takarazuka City
– Aiming to Solve Issues Related to SDGs, Such as Decarbonization, and Revitalize the Region –**

January 19, 2023
Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.

Osaka Gas Co., Ltd. (Representative Director and President: Masataka Fujiwara; hereinafter “Osaka Gas”) today concluded a comprehensive partnership agreement (hereinafter, “the Agreement”) with Takarazuka City (Mayor: Harue Yamasaki).

The Agreement aims at the sustainable growth of the Takarazuka City area and the further improvement of civic services through mutual cooperation and collaboration between Takarazuka City and Osaka Gas to resolve issues related to the SDGs, including decarbonization, and promote initiatives to revitalize the area.



From left: Shigeru Chikamoto, General Manager of Osaka Gas Energy Solution Business Unit, and Harue Yamasaki, Mayor of Takarazuka City

To solve issues, such as decarbonization, we plan to conduct educational programs to promote “COOL CHOICE,” a national campaign encouraging all kinds of “smart choices” that contribute to global warming countermeasures that the government has set for 2030, and to examine the introduction of renewable energy sources at public facilities in Takarazuka City.

In terms of regional revitalization, during the current fiscal year, we plan to issue a Takarazuka City version of the Kansai Odekake Tax*¹, the “Takarazuka City Odekake Gift Voucher”², which utilizes the digital infrastructure of the digital ticket service “Ittoku Pass,” which we launched in December 2022.

In the future, we will determine and expand the details of specific initiatives and implementation methods.

In addition to contributing to regional revitalization in the Kinki region, the Daigas Group will contribute to the realization of a low-carbon and decarbonized society, and it will become a corporate group useful in the further evolution of life and business.

*1: Utilizing the digital infrastructure of Osaka Gas' digital ticket service "Ittoku Pass," you can make a real-time hometown tax payment at your destination.

This service allows you to receive a digital ticket as a return gift that you can use for local "experimental consumption" (e.g. eating, drinking, lodging, activities).

*2: Utilizing the hometown tax payment system, when donations are made through a special website, a digital ticket (Odekake Gift Voucher) is immediately sent to your smartphone as a return gift that can be used for meals or lodging at affiliated stores or facilities in Takarazuka City.

1. Overview of the Comprehensive Partnership Agreement

Title : Comprehensive partnership agreement between Takarazuka City and Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.
Parties : Takarazuka City and Osaka Gas
Date of conclusion : January 19, 2023
Purpose : By cooperating and collaborating with each other, Takarazuka City and Osaka Gas will increase the vitality of the region, achieve sustainable growth in the Takarazuka City area, and improve citizen services by responding swiftly and appropriately to various issues in the region.

Main cooperation and collaboration items:

- (1) Advancement of policies toward the realization of a carbon-neutral society
- (2) Introduction of renewable energy and the use of energy
- (3) Initiatives for regional revitalization