### Promoting Lake-Based Bicycle Tourism Based Around Lakes

### The Shiga Prefectural Government's Efforts Around BIWAICHI



### Shiga Prefecture

Only 10 minutes from Kyoto

Lake Biwa The greatest lake in Japan





### Cultural and natural landscape



### Historic heritage



older than Kyoto

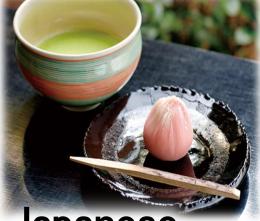




Japanese

### Sake





### Japanese Sweets





### Fish from Lake

Biwa



### Shiga is where bicycle use was first promoted

Yokaichi (now Higashiomi) became the first bicycle city in Japan in 1973







### BIWAICHI ↓ Cycling around Lake Biwa (200Km)

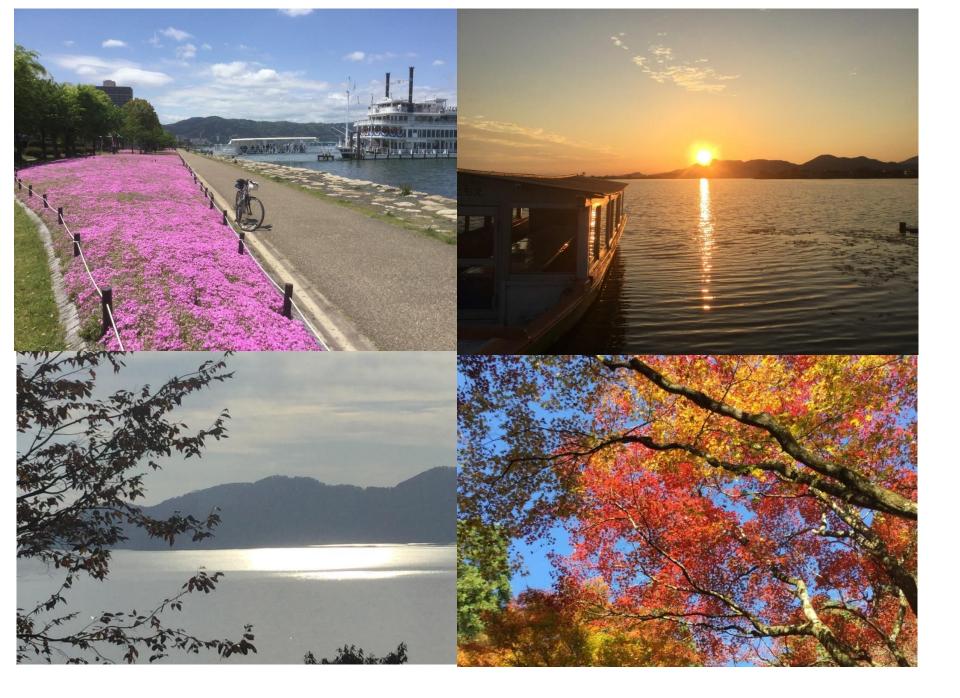
Experience Japanese Culture = Aiming at regional development through a pleasant cycling setting =



# BIWAICHI Promotion

BIWAICHI is a fun biking tour around the largest lake in Japan, Lake Biwa. It's about 200 km long. In addition to BIWAICHI, Shiga is promoting BIWAICHI PLUS, a bike ride that allows participants to visit various places around Shiga and experience its fascinating features including its lifestyle, culture and heritage. The BIWAICHI Promotion Comprehensive Vision was drawn up in the hopes that BIWAICHI would help promote regional development. It imagines the ideal BIWAICHI as a story. Shiga Prefecture is working to realize this plan together with the people interested.







### **Creation of different lanes**

(for the coexistence of bicycles, cars and pedestrians)





### **Creation of Cycle Support Stations**



Cooperation with other modes of transportation, such as boats and railroads, and creation of bicycle rental locations



Cruise × Cycling





Train × Cycling

Bicycle rental service at The Shinkansen station

### **Development of new services**



Cyclists can bring bicycle in the room



**BIWAICHI APP** 

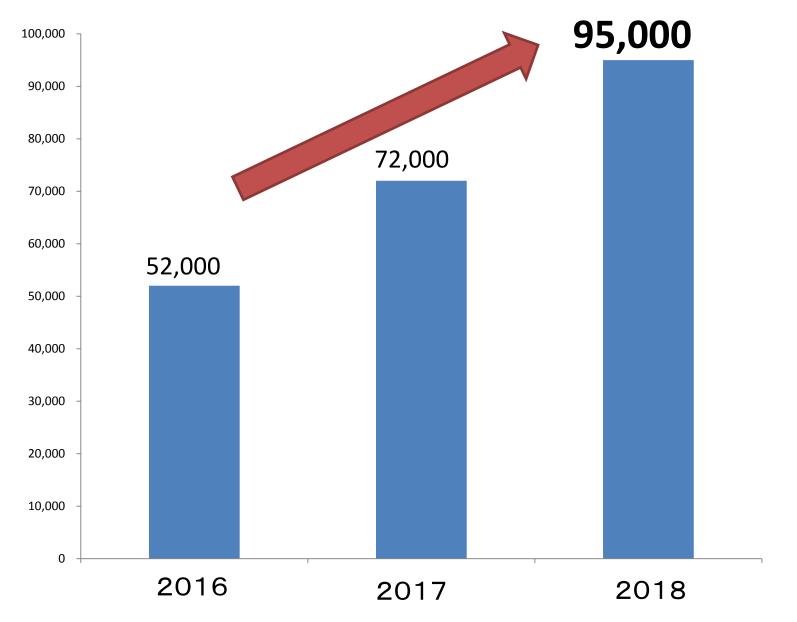


Customized Rental Car plan for the cyclists

> Taxi service for the cyclists

### Number of Participants of Biwaichi cycling





## How to leverage various cultural and natural landscape and historic heritage for Cycle tourism ? $\rightarrow$ Our Challenges

