President's Greetings

KITA has welcomed more than 8,000 participants coming from 156 countries, since KITA was established in 1980. The founding principle of KITA is that based on industrial technologies accumulated in Kitakyushu City and peripheral areas, KITA will promote environmental conservation on a global scale through international cooperation and technological transfer to developing countries as well as undertake needed research and survey. Accordingly, KITA can contribute to internationalization and development of Kitakyushu area and more over to sustainable development of human society.

Establishment of KITA

Date of Establishment
July 14th, 1980

Background of Establishment
KITA was established by civic earnest support to contribute to development of Kitakyushu as a vigorous industrial trade city as well as a city of international trainings by transferring abroad the environmental and industrial technology acquired in process of industrializing and overcoming pollution in Kitakyushu.

Parent Organizations
The Junior Chamber International Kitakyushu
The Kitakyushu Chamber of Commerce and Industry
The Industry Club of West Japan

Founding Support Groups
Kitakyushu Municipal Government
Fukuoka Prefectural Government
Many other enterprises and groups in & around Kitakyushu-city

Purpose of KITA

KITA is aiming to promote international technical cooperation with the intention of maintaining harmony between industrial development and environmental conservation in order to realize sustainable development supported by various sectors such as business, governmental and academic circles. KITA also strives to transfer Cleaner Production and environmental administration which were acquired in overcoming industrial pollution to developing countries through training of personnel or dispatch of experts in charge.

Number of Participants by Fiscal Year (as of March 31, 2016)

- 8,207 participants from 156 countries (1980 to 2015 FY in total)
- JICA Participants: 6,561 participants
- None-JICA Participants: 1,646 participants

Cumulative number

(Participants per year)

0 100 200 300 400 500 600 700 800 9000

- '80 - '81 - '82 - '83 - '84 - '85 - '86 - '87 - '88 - '89 - '90 - '91 - '92 - '93 - '94 - '95 - '96 - '97 - '98 - '99 - '00 - '01 - '02 - '03 - '04 - '05 - '06 - '07 - '08 - '09 - '10 - '11 - '12 - '13 - '14 - '15

President of KITA
Hideki FURUNO
Public Interest Incorporated Foundation
Main Activities of KITA

**International Training in Kitakyushu**
- Planning adequate and fulfilling training curriculum
- Designing effective programs for group, area and individual country courses
- Implementing international trainings effectively
- Building-up of personal network with former participants and follow up for aftercare

**Technical Cooperation at Overseas**
- Dispatch of experts abroad to provide technical on-site guidance and to hold seminars
- Consulting works with providing survey, formulation and feasibility study
- Research & Dissemination of environmental and industrial information

**International Friendship Exchange**
- Planning and implementation of international friendship exchange programs

### International Training in Kitakyushu

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### Number of Participants by Region (as of March 31, 2016)

- **Total 8,207 participants from 156 countries**
  - **Central Asia**: 39 participants from 5 countries
  - **Europe**: 22 participants from 14 countries
  - **Middle East**: 41 participants from 9 countries
  - **Southwest Asia**: 39 participants from 8 countries
  - **Africa**: 35 participants from 15 countries
  - **Oceania**: 14 participants from 5 countries

- **Central & South America**: 66 participants from 23 countries

**FY 2015**
- **368 participants from 91 countries**
  - **East Asia**: 67 participants from 15 countries
  - **Central & South America**: 66 participants from 23 countries
  - **Central Asia**: 16 participants from 5 countries
  - **Southwest Asia**: 25 participants from 8 countries
  - **Africa**: 22 participants from 14 countries
  - **Oceania**: 11 participants from 5 countries

**Estimates**
- **93 participants from 11 countries**
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History of KITA

Jul. 1980  Kitakyushu International Training Association (KITA) was established and Mr. Mizuno was appointed as the first president
Aug. 1980  The first JICA training course on “Steel Material and Its Testing & Inspection” was started
Oct. 1982  “Kitakyushu Maintenance Engineering Society (KME)” was founded
Oct. 1989  The JICA Kyushu International Center (KIC) was inaugurated
Aug. 1990  KITA received a letter of appreciation from the President of JICA
Aug. 1991  KITA received a certificate of commendation from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Aug. 1992  KITA was renamed as Kitakyushu International Techno-cooperative Association (KITA) with Technical Cooperation Division, Productivity Cooperation Center and Environmental Cooperation Center newly set up
Oct. 1995  KITA was awarded the Japan-Korea International Environment Award
Nov. 1998  KITA received a letter of appreciation from the Director General of the Environmental Agency
Jan. 2000  KITA received a certificate of commendation from the Minister of Home Affairs
Nov. 2000  The 20th Anniversary of KITA was celebrated
Jan. 2005  Dr. Kohno was appointed as the second president of KITA
Oct. 2005  The number of JICA/KITA training courses for fiscal year 2005 expanded to 33 with 302 participants
Dec. 2005  The 25th Anniversary of KITA was celebrated
Feb. 2008  KITA received “Kitakyushu Environmental Award” from the Mayor of Kitakyushu City
Aug. 2008  The total number of participants of KITA training courses was over 5,000 from 130 countries
Jun. 2009  KITA received “Environmental Conservation Achievement Award 2009” from the Minister of Environment
Jun. 2010  Kitakyushu City established “Kitakyushu Asian Center for Low Carbon Society”
Oct. 2010  The total number of participants of KITA training courses was over 6,000 from 137 countries
Nov. 2011  Mr. Furuno was appointed as the third president of KITA
Apr. 2011  KITA Productivity Cooperation Center was integrated to Technical Cooperation Division
Kitakyushu Maintenance Engineering Society (KME) was separated from KITA
Apr. 2012  KITA was registered as Public Interest Incorporated Foundation by Cabinet Office
Mar. 2013  The total number of participants of KITA training courses was over 7,000 from 146 countries
Apr. 2013  KITA Environmental Cooperation Center was integrated to Technical Cooperation Division
Jul. 2015  The 35th Anniversary of KITA was celebrated
Oct. 2015  The total number of participants of KITA training courses was over 8,000 from 155 countries