



Council of Local Authorities on International Relations

Japan Study Tour 2012

Theme:

Local Government Environmental Policies And Initiatives Supporting Eco-tech Industry in Kawasaki

Theme explanation:

From the 1950s onward Kawasaki City developed its steel and chemical industry, centred on the oceanfront, and is now a leading Japanese industrial city. In the period of Japan's high growth (1960s to 1970s) there was rapid environmental degradation, with great problems to air quality and considerable water pollution. In order to tackle these environmental problems, the public and private sectors worked together with citizens groups on various initiatives for clean water and air to improve the living environment for citizens, enabling them to live in peace of mind.

Kawasaki City's past success in solving pollution problems has resulted in the accumulation of a high levels of environmental technology, in particular knowhow in effective energy utilisation, and now this is becoming Kawasaki City's number one strength; through cooperation with UNEP and the transfer of environmental technology to Asia, Kawasaki is now a leading environmental city creating harmony between the environment and the economy.

As well as visiting such characteristic initiatives of Kawasaki City such as coastal based environment related businesses and recycling facilities, there will be participation of the **Kawasaki International Ecotech Fair** at which many companies from Kawasaki exhibit. There will also be consideration of the international aspects of environmental issues, exchange of information and opinion exchange through studying the current situation in Kawasaki and the initiatives of the city.

Schedule (content subject to change)

	Day	Time	Details
1&2	6 th (Mon) & 7 th (Tues)	TBC	Tokyo Seminar ¹ (Presentation of CLAIR activities, introduction to Japanese Local Government System, discussion with the Chairman of CLAIR's Board of Directors, Welcome Reception), Tour of Government Facilities in Tokyo
3	8 th (Weds)	1 3 : 0 0 1 3 : 3 0 1 4 : 0 0 1 7 : 3 0 1 8 : 0 0	Arrive in Kawasaki Address from Mayor of Kawasaki Explanation of Kawasaki City's Environmental Policies, international development policy for the coastal quarter Arrive at hotel Evening meal



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4	9 th (Thurs)	9 : 0 0 9 : 3 0 1 1 : 0 0 1 2 : 3 0 1 3 : 3 0 1 4 : 0 0 1 5 : 3 0 1 7 : 3 0	Leave hotel Ukishima Island Processing Centre Solar Energy Generating Facility (Eco-Future Hall) Lunch Transfer to Coastal Area Tour of Kawasaki Coastal Front Development by Sea Coastal EcoTown Project Visit Arrive at hotel
5	10 th (Fri)	9 : 0 0 1 0 : 0 0 1 2 : 0 0 1 3 : 3 0 1 4 : 0 0 1 6 : 0 0 1 7 : 0 0	Leave hotel Participation in Kawasaki International EcoTech Fair Lunch Kawasaki International Exchange Centre Opinion Exchange Meet with host family Transfer to host family residence
6	11 th (Sat)		Stay with host family
7	12 th (Sun)		Stay with host family
8	13 th (Mon)	9 : 0 0 1 0 : 0 0 1 0 : 3 0 1 2 : 0 0 1 4 : 0 0 1 6 : 0 0 1 7 : 3 0 1 8 : 0 0	Meet at the International Exchange Centre Leave IEC Visit to Energy Conservation Project Lunch Visit to Fujiko Fujio Museum Visit to Kawasakidaishi Arrive at hotel Departure dinner hosted by CLAIR
9	14 th (Tues)	9 : 0 0	Transfer to Tokyo