



## CONTENTS

News .....	1-4	Overseas Bases .....	7
International Partnerships.....	5	Message from the Director of the International Center .....	8
Research .....	6	Greetings from the International Center Office .....	8

## News

### International Higher Education Symposium — Faculty Development for International Student Education —



On March 10, 2011, an International Higher Education Symposium entitled, "Faculty Development (FD) for International Student Education" was held in the chapel of Clarke Memorial Hall, organized by the Doshisha University Organization for Global Initiatives. Experts who are currently engaged in higher education were invited to take part in the symposium and exchanged diverse opinions regarding international student education. Six of the participants were from European countries that are actively promoting international student mobility, and two were from Japan.

The keynote lectures were given by Doshisha alumnus Katsuhiko Ito, who is Department Manager of the Global Personnel Affairs Department of Horiba, Ltd., and Professor Giancarlo Spinelli, the Rector's Delegate for International Networks at the Politecnico di Milano, one of our partner universities. Mr. Ito talked about his overseas work experiences and Horiba's ongoing projects for promoting

globalization. Professor Spinelli discussed program assessment, and the current international trend toward double degrees. A lively Q&A session took place afterward.

In the second part of the symposium, a panel discussion on the topic of student exchanges was held among six professors and administrators working in the field of international education in Japan and Europe. First, the panelists presented the current status and problems of the institutions to which they belong, followed by a cross-disciplinary discussion between panelists and participants.

With the globalization of higher education, more emphasis is being placed on the quality of education as the number of students grows. The symposium provided a valuable opportunity to discuss the ideals and principles of what might constitute a desirable form of international education.



## International Student Welcome Party

A party to welcome new international students enrolling in Doshisha University this spring, and also to bid farewell to the students of the Associated Kyoto Program (AKP) was held at the Kyoto Tower Hotel on April 21.

Among those who attended the party were newly-enrolled regular students of Undergraduate and Graduate Schools, exchange students, Bekka students at the Center for Japanese Language and Culture, and students from the AKP Program. Representatives of each of these groups addressed the gathered faculty, students, and administrators in Japanese.

A number of faculty members attended the party, including President of Doshisha University, Dr. Eiji Hatta, who gave the welcome and farewell speeches. He gave words of encouragement to the students, who elected to come to study in Japan in spite of serious concerns about the influence of the East Tohoku Earthquake.



More than 300 attendees spent a pleasant time in a friendly atmosphere.

## Doshisha Festa held on the US West Coast



On April 16 and 17, 2011, two simultaneous “Doshisha Festa” were held in the California: in the SF Bay Area at The Crowne Plaza Hotel, Foster City — San-Mateo, and in Los Angeles at Miyako Hybrid Hotel, respectively.

Events like the Doshisha Festa are intended to strengthen ties with alumni living in various parts of the world and provide them with information about ongoing efforts to internationalize the Doshisha campus. Such events also give the university a chance to exchange opinions with alumni overseas in order to gain their support and cooperation in establishing overseas hubs, providing support for students studying in the area, and making arrangements for our

overseas education and research projects. Since 2008, when the Doshisha Forum was held in London, we have implemented events like this every year with the cooperation of the Doshisha alumni associations of New York and Düsseldorf. When holding the Doshisha Festa on the US West Coast this year, we received considerable cooperation from the members of the Doshisha Alumni Association, USA West, based in Los Angeles, as well as the Doshisha SF Bay Area Network (DSBN).

The Doshisha Festa were both comprised of two parts: the first part was an orientation session offering an introduction to Doshisha University and other Doshisha schools, with a focus on Doshisha International Academy and Doshisha International Junior and Senior High School. At personal admission counseling sessions held afterwards, families of prospective students were able to participate in in-depth discussions regarding admissions and other educational issues. During the second part, President Hatta gave a lecture about Doshisha University's ongoing activities and international strategies, followed by a Doshisha alumni party.

About 40 people participated in the Festa in the SF Bay Area, while about 80 people participated in Los Angeles. All the participants sang the Doshisha College Song together at the end and both festas finished in a very friendly and celebratory manner.

## Doshisha Students to Compete in Microsoft Imagine Cup World Finals



The Imagine Cup, which has been held nine times since 2003, is an IT contest organized every year by Microsoft, challenging "young people to apply their imagination, their passion and their creativity to bring to life technology innovations that can make a difference in the world." Doshisha University's team, MI3, reached the finals in the Software Design category for the third time in the Japan Imagine Cup 2011 held on April 17. MI3 will represent Japan in the Worldwide Finals being held in New York in July. The theme for Imagine Cup 2011 is "Imagine a world where technology helps solve the toughest problems." Students are encouraged to present specific IT solutions and business

models in response to the United Nation's eight Millennium Development Goals such as ending hunger and poverty, and achieving primary education for everyone. About 340,000 students from more than 100 countries and regions have entered this contest.

Team MI3, focusing attention on the penetration of mobile phones in Africa, devised a solution which is supposed to reduce the infant mortality rate by building up a medical interview system based on text messages. They proposed a total medical care system, "Dr. One," in which people receive in-home medical care, and have the ability to make an appointment with a doctor via mobile phone text message communication. The concept behind this system is being called "medical in your hand." The ultimate goal of MI3 is to reduce the infant mortality rate and to prevent epidemics of diseases such as AIDS and malaria.

Members of Team MI3:

Yusuke Imai (Graduate School of Engineering)

Motoki Tanaka (Faculty of Economics)

Yuki Ishikawa (Graduate School of Engineering)

Team mentor:

Takahiro Koita

(Junior Associate Professor at the Faculty of

Science and Engineering)

## Professor Noriko Koizumi (Faculty of Life and Medical Sciences) Receives Gottfried Wagener Prize

Professor Noriko Koizumi of the Faculty of Life and Medical Sciences is part of the team led by Professor Motonari Uesugi of Kyoto University that was awarded the Gottfried Wagener Prize 2010 at a ceremony that was held at the German ambassador's residence in Tokyo on May 12, 2011. The winning research theme and the team members are as follows:

First Prize

Dr. Motonari Uesugi

Professor, Institute for Integrated Cell-Material Sciences, Kyoto University

Research Theme: "Development of Small Molecule Tools for Cell Therapy"

Team Members:

Dr. Makiya Nishikawa

Associate Professor, Department of Biopharmaceutics and Drug Metabolism, Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Kyoto University

Dr. Noriko Koizumi

Professor, Graduate School of Life and Medical Sciences, Doshisha University

The German Innovation Award, or "Gottfried Wagener Prize," inspired by the work of Gottfried Wagener, who had a deep association with Japan, was founded by twelve technology-focused German companies, together with the German Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Japan, to promote and



expand industry-academia collaboration between Japan and Germany. The prize is awarded to outstanding young researchers (aged 45 and under) engaged in application-based research in the areas of health, medicine, security and safety.

The aim of the winning research, carried out in collaboration with researchers specializing in pharmaceutical sciences and medicine, was to apply a novel compound developed by Professor Uesugi to cell-based regenerative therapies. It is highly regarded as a piece of translational research which will enable 'regenerative therapy for the sake of patients'.

## Doshisha University Supports Information Assurance for Earthquake-Affected Universities

On May 6, 2011, Doshisha University performed a remote information assurance activity to support universities and junior colleges that were having difficulty organizing information assurance systems for the new academic year as a result of the disruption caused by the East Tohoku Earthquake. The activity was carried out in response to a request from PEPNeT-Japan (the Post-secondary Education Program Network of Japan) which had asked the collaborating universities across the nation to assist hearing-impaired students in the Tohoku area.



The support activity was carried out through the Mobile Remote Information Relay System and involved the student support staff of Doshisha University listening to lectures conducted at the Miyagi University of Education and typing the lecture contents into a computer while two hearing impaired students with at the Miyagi University of Education, located about 600km away, confirmed the display of captions from the lectures on their mobile phone screens.

Mai Adachi, a second-year student in the Department of Social Welfare (Faculty of Social Studies) who transcribed the lectures, said, "Actually I want to go to the Tohoku area and support them, but it is not easy because I have classes. Through this system, using a computer and an iPhone, I was able to connect to the students at the Miyagi University of Education. I think it is a very effective volunteer activity in which we can participate while we are in Kyoto." Fuka Otomo, a fourth-year student in the Department of English (Faculty of Letters), said, "I had to concentrate so hard on the lectures because I was working with only voice data. I wanted to give assistance to the students in the disaster sites. I want to continue with this volunteer work, which is a positive way of utilizing spare time between classes."

Do. CARE (Doshisha, Challenged Assistance for the Right Education) will continue to engage in support activities to help students attending universities in the Tohoku area.



## 120 Chinese Students Visit Doshisha University

On January 23 through 26, about 120 students from universities located throughout China (Shanghai University, Fudan University, Sichuan University, Chongqing University, Shandong University, etc.) visited Doshisha University as part of the 9th short-term study program in Japan organized by the Japan-China Culture Community Center.

On January 24, the students visited the Kyotanabe Campus, where they learned about the history of Doshisha University and its educational philosophy. They also obtained information about ongoing international exchange programs. After that, they attended a trial class conducted in Chinese by Professor Yuejun Zheng of the Faculty of Culture and Information Science. They listened attentively and engaged in a lively Q&A session. In the afternoon, they visited the Head Office of the Panasonic Corporation as part of internship training, giving them access to some of the world's most advanced technology.

On January 25, the students visited Imadegawa Campus, and attended a sample class conducted in English by Special Visiting Professor Andrew Staples of Doshisha Business School. They then were given a guided tour around the historic campus. After the tour, a luncheon was held in the Kambaikan Building, during which time Doshisha students talked about the attractive features of studying at Doshisha University. The Chinese students



asked a variety of questions about student life in Japan.

We hope that direct experiences such as this will help to enhance interest in Doshisha University among Chinese students and Chinese universities alike. Further exchanges with Chinese universities will be carried out in the near future.



### For Our Partner Institutions:

Are you or your students thinking of making a visit to the Doshisha campus? The International Center can arrange such activities as discussion sessions, a cultural exchange party, and a campus tour. If you are interested, please contact us at [ji-kksai@mail.doshisha.ac.jp](mailto:ji-kksai@mail.doshisha.ac.jp) at least 2 months in advance. We also have accommodations on campus at a reasonable price. We are looking forward to your visit!

## Professor Nobuyoshi Tsujiuchi (Faculty of Science and Engineering), Professor Takayuki Koizumi (Faculty of Science and Engineering) and Tatsuya Yoshida (Graduate School of Engineering) Awarded by the Fluid Power Technology Promotion Foundation

On May 25, 2011, a paper written by Professor Nobuyoshi Tsujiuchi (Department of Mechanical and Systems Engineering, Faculty of Science and Engineering), Professor Takayuki Koizumi (Department of Energy and Mechanical Engineering, Faculty of Science and Engineering) and Tatsuya Yoshida (Motion and Vibration Control Laboratory, Graduate School of Engineering) received the Fluid Power Technology Promotion Foundation's annual award for 2010. This award is given to outstanding papers recognized by the Japan Society of Mechanical Engineers. The paper, which focused on the improvement of anti-vibration characteristics of air suspension coupled with a rotary damper, was commended for its excellent contribution to the improvement of technology related to fluid power equipment.



Title of the paper:

Anti-Vibration Characteristics of Air Suspension Coupled with

Authors:

Nobuyoshi Tsujiuchi, Takayuki Koizumi, Seigo Shi-Nozaki, and Toshiyuki Shibayama

## Professor Masanori Naito Receives Association of Japanese Geographers Award



Masanori Naito of the Graduate School of Global Studies, received the 2010 Association of Japanese Geographers Award in the category of Transmitting of Books at the Annual Meeting of the Association of Japanese Geographers held on March 28, 2011. Professor Naito is noted for his books, *Isuramu no ikari* [Muslim Anger] (2009), *Isuramu no shinjitsu to sekaiheiwa* [Muslim Truth and World Peace] (2009), and *Gekido no Toruko-9.11 iko no isuramu to yoroppa-* [Turbulence in Turkey: Muslims and Europe after 9/11] (2008).

## Associate Professor Shizuyo Sano Receives Association of Japanese Geographers Award

Shizuyo Sano, Associate Professor of Cultural History in the Faculty of Letters, received the 2010 Association of Japanese Geographers Award in the category of Outstanding Books at the same meeting. The award is offered to the authors of exceptional academic books related to geography. Her award-winning book is entitled *Chu-kinsei no sonraku to mizube no kankyo-shi-keikan, seigyō, shigenkanri* [Villages in the Medieval and Pre-Modern ages, and Environmental History of the Waterfront] published in 2008 by Yoshikawa Kobunkan.

The Association of Japanese Geographers, founded in 1925, is one of Japan's leading academic societies in the field of geography. The number of current members is about 3,000, mainly comprising researchers and engineers of universities, research institutes and corporations, as well as teachers of elementary schools and junior and senior high schools.



## Katsuhiro Fukunaka (Student of Graduate School of Engineering) Receives IPSJ Student Incentive Award

On March 2, 2011, Katsuhiro Fukunaka, a student of the Graduate School of Engineering received the Student Incentive Award at the Information Processing Society of Japan (IPSJ)'s 73rd National Convention. The Student Incentive Award was established as a local award as part of the National Convention. It is awarded to students making outstanding presentations in the student session.



Doshisha University's overseas bases were established in order to further promote its rapid and effective internationalization. At our overseas bases we are implementing mainly public relations activities to increase the profile of Doshisha University, while at the same making the most of the characteristics unique to each base. In addition, we are undertaking various efforts to recruit overseas students, support our students while they are studying overseas, and provide on-site support to members of our faculties while they are overseas.

## Taipei, Taiwan

Address : Doshisha Taiwan Office  
c/o DSS-CLOVER International Co.  
6F-15, No. 57, Chong-Qing S. Rd.  
10045 Taipei, Taiwan, R.O.C.  
Tel: +886-2-2331-1278  
Fax: +886-2-2331-1397  
Email: ji-int24@mail.doshisha.ac.jp

## Beijing, P. R. China

Address : Doshisha Beijing Office  
Room #306, Qiushilou Building  
Renmin University of China  
59 Zhongguancun Street, Haidian District  
Beijing, 100872 P.R.China  
Tel/Fax: +86-10-6251-5916  
Email: ji-int23@mail.doshisha.ac.jp

## London, United Kingdom

Address : Doshisha London Office  
c/o Daiwa Foundation Japan House  
13/14 Cornwall Terrace, London  
NW1 4QP U.K.  
Tel: +44-77-4892-5687  
Email: ji-int21@mail.doshisha.ac.jp

## Shanghai, P.R. China

Address :Doshisha Shanghai Office  
Center for Japanese Studies  
Fudan University  
221 Hantan Road  
Shanghai, 200433 P.R.China  
Email: ji-int25@mail.doshisha.ac.jp

## Hanoi, Vietnam

Address : Doshisha-Vietnam Cooperative Office  
4F Polymer Centre  
D1 Building – Hanoi University of Technology  
1st Dai Co Viet Road – Hanoi, Vietnam  
Tel: +84-4-3623-1276  
Email: ji-int22@mail.doshisha.ac.jp

## Seoul, Korea

Address : Doshisha Seoul Office  
Seoul YMCA  
2 Ga 9, Jongno, Jongno-gu  
Seoul, Korea 110753  
Tel: +82-2-732-7704  
Email: ji-int27@mail.doshisha.ac.jp



## Message from the Director of International Center

Greetings from Doshisha University in Kyoto, Japan.

It is my great honor and pleasure to inform you that I have been appointed Vice-Dean of the Organization for Promotion of International Cooperation and also as Director of the International Center as of April 1, 2011.

As with my previous appointment as Dean of the Center for Japanese Language and Culture, I will work hard toward further international cooperation with our partner institutions through academic and student exchange programs.

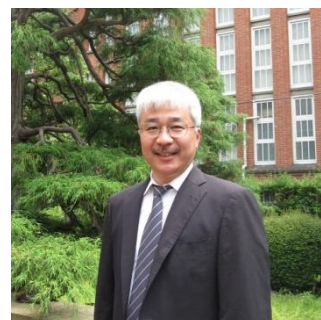
The International Center has been restructured into a more powerful entity from this April, promising that our international activities will be more dynamic and global than ever before.

Thank you for the many expressions of concern we have received following the devastating earthquake and tsunami on March 11 and the resulting nuclear contamination in some areas of eastern Japan. Kyoto is fortunate not to have been directly affected, but determining what role Doshisha can and should play during these difficult times is one of our most urgent and important concerns.

I would like to ask for your further continued support and cooperation, and hope that our strong partnership will continue and prosper for many years to come.

Professor Nobuyuki Yamauchi

Vice-Dean, Organization for Promotion of International Cooperation  
Director, International Center  
Doshisha University



## Greetings from the International Center Office

Dear partner institutions,

Summer greetings from Kyoto! We hope this message finds every one of you in fine spirits.

As some of you may know, as this newsletter goes to press, the GION Festival is being celebrated in Kyoto.

During the four days of the festival, people not only from Kyoto but throughout Japan as well as overseas crowd the streets in their summer *yukata* to admire the impressive and unique festival floats, listen to the traditional festival music, and to enjoy eating, drinking and playing carnival games. We hope you have an opportunity to visit Kyoto some day during this festive season.

We wish you a memorable summer in 2011!!

Best wishes,  
The Office of the International Center staff



**Great Voyage** is published by the International Center at Doshisha University.

Enquiries to:

Office of International Center, Doshisha University

Karasuma-Higashi-iru, Imadegawa-dori, Kamigyo-ku, Kyoto 602-8580 Japan

Tel: +81 (0) 75-251-3260 Fax: +81 (0) 75-251-3057 Email: [ji-kksai@mail.doshisha.ac.jp](mailto:ji-kksai@mail.doshisha.ac.jp)