

Training Programmes in Japan for EU Companies

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World Class Manufacturing

Become a World Class Manufacturer Learn the japanese way of improving cost efficiency / manufacturing capabilities

WHAT IS WCM?

The high-level 5/8-day mission provides European managers with an ideal opportunity to visit some of the world's most advanced factories, to talk directly with senior Japanese production engineering managers, and to observe how manufacturing methods are implemented. Participants discover the Japanese approach towards World Class Manufacturing and learn how Japanese firms achieve superior production standards. The WCM course, which is mainly tailor-made according to the participants' needs, is composed of lectures, seminars, panel discussions and manufacturing plant visits. In a nutshell, this course brings EU companies closer to WCM performance.



TARGETED PROFILE

For manufacturing companies, the WCM training mission is aimed exclusively at managers and executives responsible for corporate strategy in manufacturing management with knowledge of WCM and an engineering background, such as:

- ✓ Division director or industrial director;
- ✓ Manager and executive Operation & Logistics;
- ✓ Plant manager, director of Quality & Excellence;

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

The candidate:

- ✓ must be a citizen of an EU Member State:
- ✓ must work for an organisation that is an EU juridical person;
- ✓ must be supported by his/her employer;
- ✓ must be able to participate in the entire programme;
- ✓ must have a reasonable command of English;
- ✓ should be involved in changing production engineering methods / strategy and/or production control;
- ✓ should have (approximately) 10 years' experience in operations management and/or
- ✓ should have a good knowledge and practice of production methods of excellence.

WHO PAYS WHAT?

For SMEs, the EU-Japan Centre covers all costs directly related to the programme (i.e. lectures and seminars, group study trips, including travel outside Tokyo). In addition, participants from SMEs** can receive a grant of € 600,- from the European Commission. Participants' companies will be expected to pay for travel costs to and from Japan as well as living expenses in Japan, including accommodation. Large-sized companies will have to pay a tuition fee; for details please contact the Centre.



Programme Dates*	Application Deadline
27 June - 01 July 2011	24 March 2011
17 - 21 October 2011	9 June 2011

^{*} Course dates & Content are subject to modification without prior notification

^{**} Special rules apply for EU SMEs located in Japan



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