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## APO launches Green Productivity Center

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TAIPEI, Taiwan -- The Tokyo-based Asian Productivity Organization (APO) on Tuesday inaugurated its Center of Excellence in Green Productivity in Taipei, paving the way for Taiwan to showcase its sectorwide capabilities on the international stage.

A grand opening ceremony was held to kick start the APO Center of Excellence on Green Productivity — APO Green Productivity Center yesterday, bringing together movers and shakers from both Taiwan and Japan.

The ceremony was presided over by APO Secretary-General Mari Amano and Managing Director & Chief Consultant of China Productivity Center Wang Kuo-ming (王國明). President Ma Ying-jeou also made an appearance at the

ceremony with an entourage including Deputy Minister of Economic Affairs Liang Kuo-hsin (梁國新), Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Vanessa Shih (史亞平) and China Productivity Center General Manager Chang Pao-cheng (張寶誠).

The APO yesterday hosted a summit titled "Shift towards Green Productivity For Asia." The summit was organized with several divisions, discussing issues such as Taiwan's advantages in resources recycling and environmental-friendly technology development.

Established in 1961, the APO aims to contribute to the sustainable socioeconomic development of the Asia-Pacific through enhancing productivity. Taiwan was selected earlier this January by an international panel of experts convened by the APO for establishing Green Productivity Center.



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President Ma Ying-jeou (馬英九), center, activates the icon of Tokyo-based Asian Productivity Organization Center of Excellence on Green Productivity (COE GP) in Taipei yesterday, signifying the establishment of the COE GP Office in Taiwan. (Courtesy of China Productivity Center