## **Mongolia's Productivity Festival**

To raise the general public's awareness of productivity enhancement, Mongolia's National Productivity and Development Center (NPDC) organized the 2008 Productivity Festival at the Mongolian National Gallery of Art on 21 March with the theme Learn Best Practices from Leading Organizations. The festival, the first of its kind in Mongolia, played host to numerous events including an exhibition featuring eight National Productivity Award (NPA) companies and APO demonstration company projects. In a separate hall of the gallery, 2006 NPA winners gave presentations on how they had improved productivity, quality, and competency while the 2007 NPA winners were receiving their winning trophies from President Mongolia Nambaryn Enkhbayar at the State House. The NPDC also organized a productivity book exhibition that distributed free publications, including volumes donated by the APO, and a lecture session on productivity and quality tools. Additionally, the winners of the NPDC Photo and Lyrics Contest, begun in December 2007 with the theme Productivity in Our Life, were announced. Approximately 1,000 people visited the Productivity Festival. Encouraged by the obvious enthusiasm for the festival, the NPDC is planning to make it an annual event.



Productivity Festival visitors examining displays