



# Program calendar

## September

### *Japan*

#### **Training course on Strategic Management Consultancy for Productivity Improvement of SMEs, 31 August–11 September.**

► Objective: To train participants to undertake integrated strategic management consultancy services especially for SMEs, encompassing the functional areas of management strategy, marketing, and production.

► Participants: Consultants/trainers of NPOs or similar institutions involved in consulting on productivity and quality improvement and SME entrepreneurs/top managers.

#### **Workshop on the 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle), 28 September–2 October.**

► Objective: To impart knowledge of 3R approaches and their applications; study Japanese business practices, management, and technology of the 3Rs; identify obstacles in promoting and adopting the 3Rs; explore effective ways of introducing the 3Rs to increase the competitiveness of businesses; and develop individual action plans for widespread practice of the 3Rs.

► Participants: Industry managers, CEOs of SMEs, consultants, environmental professionals practicing the 3Rs, or environmental managers from industries who wish to practice the 3Rs.

### *Republic of China*

#### **Seminar on Technology Innovation for Renewable Energy, 14–18 September.**

► Objective: To discuss the latest issues and developments in renewable energy and observe how the host country successfully applies advanced technology to use abundant renewable resources.

► Participants: Renewable industry professionals, energy experts, renewable energy consultants, government organizations dealing in renewable energy, and NGO staff promoting renewable energy.

### *Republic of Korea*

#### **Coordination meeting for research on Aging Society, 16–18 September.**

► Research objective: To identify the key issues and challenges facing aging societies in APO member countries, examine labor market issues in relation to an aging workforce, study public policies and their impact on the employment of the aged, and analyze productivity in the context of aging societies.

► National experts: Professionals with substantial involvement, direct experience, and abundant professional knowledge in the area of aging and productivity.

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