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Japan to explore labor-management relations with Asia-Pacific partners

TOKYO—More than 20 high-ranking officials from government agencies managing labor-management issues or monitoring the relationship between economic growth and labor issues, investment, promotion, and economic and industrial policy are scheduled to convene in Tokyo, 28 September–2 October 2015. Representing 18 countries from across the Asia-Pacific region, they will attend the Workshop on Labor-Management Relations funded by the Government of Japan and organized by the Asian Productivity Organization.

With companies rapidly expanding into overseas markets, it is crucial to take a global approach to labor-management relations and manage country-specific risks. Experts from the Keidanren (Japan Business Federation) International Cooperation Bureau, Japan Institute for Labour Policy and Training, Japan Productivity Center, Soka University, Japanese Trade Union Confederation (JTUC-RENGO), and Republic of Korea will lead discussions on labor-management issues, labor's obligations to management, roles of governments and national productivity organizations in good labor management, and best practices in this area. The workshop will include a visit to Nissan Oppama Plant.

The overarching objective of the workshop is to examine, discuss, and share the current status of and issues in labor-management relations in Japan and identify the role of governments, JTUC-RENGO, and Keidanren in promoting good labor relations for higher productivity.

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About the APO

The Asian Productivity Organization (APO) is the sole nonprofit international organization in the Asia-Pacific devoted to productivity enhancement. Established in 1961 as a regional intergovernmental organization, the APO contributes to the sustainable socioeconomic development of the Asia-Pacific through productivity enhancement. The current membership comprises 20 economies. Three strategic directions guide the APO: strengthen NPOs and promote the development of SMEs and communities; catalyze innovation-led productivity growth; and promote Green Productivity. The main activities of the APO are capacity building of institutions and human resources development.