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Nidec Offers Japan's Young Researchers Internship Opportunity

Nidec Corporation today announced that it has made its very first internship opportunity for young researchers in Japanese universities to learn research in Taiwan. Nidec Corporation's Research and Development Centers, established in 2012, have their researchers (currently 100 approximately) working in Tokyo's Osaka, Taiwan, and Singapore, and, with their collaborative ties with governmental R&D institutions and universities of various parts of the world, promote research of basic and applied technologies of motors and motor-application areas in a global and open way.

- Internship program
"Summer 2013 Taiwan Internship Program"

- Overview of the internship program

The internship program, which is planned to be for five days from August 19 – 23, 2013, will mainly focus on technological exchanges between Japanese and Taiwanese researchers.

During their visit to Taiwan, the Japanese researchers will visit **the Industrial Technology Research Institute (ITRI)**, which is attracting a lot of Japanese media's attention as a governmental organization promoting the capitalization of research results, as well as **the National Cheng Kung University**, known for its surpassing motor researches, see both institutions' excellent research activities, participate in debates and other activities with the institutions' researchers, and experience the greatness of global and open research activities.

In addition, the Japanese researchers will visit Nidec Research and Development Center, (Taiwan), and have firsthand experience of corporate researches, which help the interns with their future career planning.

- Participants to the internship program

This year, six young researchers have been selected from the University of Tokyo, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Osaka University, Nagoya University, Shibaura Institute of Technology and Tokyo City University.

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Many people are voicing their concerns in mass-media and other places nowadays about how introverted the Japanese are, how anemic the Japanese electric industry is, and whether Japanese universities can change, expressing how closed the Japanese society is.

As one of the public companies representing Japan, Nidec Corporation, after deliberating what we can do to break this trend, has planned for the first time this Taiwan Internship Program to offer young and ambitious graduate school students in Japan an opportunity to experience a part of globalization by using our business channels in Taiwan this year, which is Nidec's 40th anniversary.

After consulting the domestic universities with which we have relationships with, many of their students expressed their interest in this program, and the plan was finalized to hold this internship program from August 19 – 23 this year.

During their visit to Taiwan, the interns will experience first hand the frontline of motor and its application researches at the Industrial Technology Research Institute (ITRI) and the National Cheng Kung University. The former was established coincidentally in 1973, the same year that Nidec was born, and has helped establish as many as more than 225 companies over the past 40 years. The latter is located in the city of Tainan, which is famous for its Wushantou Reservoir, a dam transformed a barren land into Taiwan's largest grain-growing region, and where the story of Mr. Yoichi Hatta, a Japanese engineer who built a local irrigation water supply network, still lives on. The internship participants will also experience a ride on the Taiwanese bullet train, which was developed based on Japanese technology.

Additionally, the Japanese researchers will present their own researches and participate in discussions with the above institutions' researchers. I strongly believe that the series of these opportunities to experience global and advanced researchers in a tie-up with a governmental research institute and a university with a back-up support by our Nidec Research and Development Center, Taiwan's researchers will help the interns to broaden the areas of their activities in the future.

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