

25th Osaka Business Networking Club Japanese Employment Trends and Support in the Covid Age

The Osaka Business Networking Club is a twice-yearly get-together where local businesses and foreign companies investing in Osaka can meet, interact, and pursue new business opportunities. These meetings, which are organized by the Osaka prefectural and city governments (through IBPC Osaka) and the Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry, have been a feature of the Osaka business calendar since 2008.

14:00–16:00, Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Zoom webinar

The latest meeting is to be held jointly with the Kansai Employment Consultation Center (KECC). The main theme will be “Japanese Employment Trends and Support in the Covid Age” and there will be presentations from experts on a variety of topics, including employment trends in Japan, points to look out for when hiring Japanese or foreign nationals specifically, and subsidies available to employers of foreign workers.

Securing talented workers is vitally important to all businesses, particularly as the Covid-19 pandemic drags on, so don’t miss this chance to pick up some useful information.

◆Program

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| 14:00–14:05 | Opening remarks |
| 14:05–14:50 | <p>Presentation: “The Market for Mid-Career Hires in FY2021: Trends Among Global Companies”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● The current state of the Japanese and Kansai labor markets● Hiring trends and case studies of Western and Chinese companies <p>Presenter: Kenji Sahara, chief analyst, JAC Recruitment, Co., Ltd., and others</p> <p>Content: Covid-19 has caused a sharp lurch forward in existing trends in Japan’s labor market such as globalization, digitalization, and changes in employment practices. This presentation covers the hiring practices of Japanese companies, the challenges they face, changes in jobseekers’ attitudes towards career moves, and the key points to securing talented workers in Japan.</p> |
| 14:50–15:35 | <p>Presentation: “Foreign-Owned Business Beware: Japanese Labor Laws and Hiring Rules in the Covid Age”</p> <p>Presenter: Reiko Nakano, KECC counselor, principal of Nakano Labor and Accounting Office</p> <p>Content: Learn about harnessing the full potential of foreign workers and seeking corporate growth amid the “VUCA” (volatility, uncertainty, complexity and ambiguity) of the Covid age, as well as Japanese labor laws and hiring rules, and information regarding subsidies for which your company might be eligible..</p> |
| 15:35–15:55 | Q&A |
| 15:55–16:00 | Closing remarks |

◆Languages: Presentations will be made in Japanese with simultaneous interpreting in English and Chinese

◆Organizers: Osaka Business and Investment Center



Kansai Employment Consultation Center



◆Cooperation: Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) Osaka, IBPC Osaka

◆Fee: Free

◆Application: Please apply using the

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by September 27.



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