

## News

### International Exchange Day: Exotic teas

Toyohashi Tech launched the "International Exchange Day" in 2010 in order to promote greater interaction between international students and faculty and administration staff. The themes of the Exchange Day last year were 'tea parties around the world' and 'sports'.

On Friday July 8<sup>th</sup> this year the International Exchange Day focused on tea parties around the world.

International students from 16 countries prepared teas and cakes from their home countries, including *Ipoh White coffee* from Malaysia, *Lemon milk masala tea* from Bangladesh, and *Tea Talua* from Indonesia. The students prepared posters to introduce their countries.

Toyohashi Tech will hold similar events in the future.



Students gather to sample exotic teas and learn more about each other's countries.



## Administrative exchange program with Korea University of Technology and Education

In 1997 Toyohashi Tech and Korea University of Technology and Education (KUT) signed an agreement for an exchange program between researchers and students. Later, in 2002 the two universities signed an agreement to promote exchange of administration staff.

To-date, Toyohashi Tech has accepted five administration visitors from KUT. The first was in July 2002, when Toyohashi Tech hosted Mr. Nam Youngsun, Head of the Legal Affairs and Auditing Division. In reciprocation, KUT has accepted five administration staff from Toyohashi Tech since 2003.

This year the visitors from KUT were Mr. Jang Bungil, officer in charge of educational affairs (General Affairs Team, main campus of KUT, Cheonan City), and Mr. Shin Geonho, officer in charge of personnel affairs (Employment & Labor Institute, 3rd campus of KUT, Gyeonggi Province).

Mr Bungil and Mr Geonho stayed at Toyohashi Tech from 1–11 August visiting several administration sections for a first-hand look at Toyohashi Tech's administration system.

On August 11—the last day of the visit—Mr. Jang presented a report on his analysis of the administration systems at the two universities. Toyohashi Tech staff asked questions about publicity related to entrance exams, international students and dispatching KUT students overseas.

In 2004 the Japanese Government universities reorganized all government-run universities into 'National University Corporations'. The KUT visitors said that they were pleased to have had the opportunity of visiting Toyohashi Tech—a famous National University Corporation—because Korean education experts are now discussing whether Korean universities should be restructuring along similar lines.

In closing the meeting, Toshiaki Tsuji, Executive Trustee and Director-General for Administration thanked Mr. Jang Bungil and Mr. Shin Geonho for visiting Toyohashi Tech and he hoped that they would tell their colleagues in Korea that Toyohashi is a safe and comfortable place to live and study.

Further information about Korea University of Technology and Education

[http://www.kut.ac.kr/eng/new\\_2010/index.jsp](http://www.kut.ac.kr/eng/new_2010/index.jsp)



KUT visitors present their findings on the final day of their stay at Toyohashi Tech  
Second from left: Shin Geonho, officer in charge of personnel affairs at KUT  
Forth from left: Jang Bungil, officer in charge of educational affairs at KUT