Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology-Japan (MEXT)

"Program for Enhancing Systematic Education in Graduate Schools"

"Program for Fostering Human Resources with Sigma-Type Integrative Ability" Symposium

Shibaura Institute of Technology Graduate School

~Cultivating Meta-National Ability and International Communication Skills Education ~

"Human Resources with Sigma-Type Integrative Ability" are human resources combining multifaceted engineering, technology management, and meta-national abilities with traditional engineering research abilities. Meta-national ability, defined as differentiated from mere conventional international ability, is the ability to create socio-economic value from a global viewpoint based on the interests of one's own country. In order to foster these abilities, English communication skill is indispensable. In this symposium, we would like to explore—from the points of view of both industry and academia—what kinds of communication skills we will need, and what types of higher education we will need to foster the related abilities.

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Tokyo University of Marine Science and Technology

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Time and Date July 4th, 2009 (Saturday) $13:00 \sim 17:00$

Site Eighth floor lecture hall, Shibaura Campus, Shibaura Institute of Technology

Program

Welcome message (13:00~13:05) Atsuko Yamazaki, Symposium Chair,

Professor of Engineering, Shibaura Institute of Technology

Opening remarks $(13:05\sim13:15)$ Ayao Tsuge, President, Shibaura Institute of Technology

Keynote address $(13:15{\sim}14:00)$ Masato Murakami, Vice President, Shibaura Institute of Technology

"Implementation of the International Communication Skills Indispensable to the Cultivation of Meta-national abilities"

Remarks (14:00~14:15) Nobuyuki Honna, The Japan Association of English for Specific Purposes, and Professor Emeritus, Aoyama Gakuin University

Remarks (14: 15~14: 30) Tohru Ihara, General Manager, Nissan Motor Co. Ltd.

Remarks (14:30~14:45) Sang-Im Yoo, Professor, Seoul National University

Remarks (14: 45~15:00) Thibault Danjou, Managing Director, AG Industries Asia-Pacific Pte Ltd

Recess $(15:00\sim15:15)$

Discussion (questions and comments from the dais and the floor) $(15:15\sim16:45)$

Summary and closing remarks (16: 45~16: 55)

Reception (17:00~18:30) Main Floor, Shibaura Campus