

“UK Smart Technology Forum - Kansai” announcement

The “UK Smart Technology Forum – Kansai” was held on January 30th at City Plaza Osaka (Osaka Chuo Ward) by the Osaka Business and Investment Center (O-BIC) in association with organizations such as the Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry (OCCI), UK Trade and Investment (UKTI) and the British Consulate.

In this forum, environmentally friendly power saving devices and their related technologies, such as the UK’s “smart grid technology” were introduced, for the purpose of corporate cooperation and business exchange between Japan and the UK in the field of green technology.

In the orientation for the 16 companies visiting from the UK, the O-BIC and OCCI introduced the investment environment and incentives, and the work being done to promote the international exchange of technology in Osaka. Afterwards, the UK companies visited the Osaka Entrepreneurial Museum of Challenge and Innovation, where they saw an exhibition of entrepreneurs who have made great contributions to the development of industries in Osaka.

The forum held in Osaka was attended by over 100 companies, and they listened intently to the presentations given by the companies from the UK. In addition, pre-arranged individual meetings were held.

【Event Summary】

Time and Date: January 30th 2013 (Wednesday) 9:30 – 19:30

Joint sponsorship: O-BIC, OCCI, Industrial Exchange Center, UKTI, British Consulate

◆Orientation

- Organizer’s greeting – OCCI Director of International Affairs, Yasutsugu Kohzuki
- “Briefing of Osaka and Kansai” O-BIC Deputy Director-General, Kazuko Kamado
- “Introducing the work of GCP” OCCI, Head of promotion for industry, technology and water business, Keisuke Matsumoto



◆Presentations from UK companies



◆Individual meetings



◆Networking Reception

