Opening Ceremony of the Training and Seminar of Welding Technology Conducted through the Cooperation by Japan under the Indonesia - Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (IJEPA)

The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) supports the training and seminar for the certification of welding technology held by the Indonesian Welding Society (IWS), under the cooperation with the Japan Welding Engineering Society (JWES). (See the attachment). JICA sends experts of the JWES to the training and seminar as lecturers so that the training and seminar can be successful and the welding certificate system Japan has fostered for around 40 years can be transferred to Indonesia.

The Indonesian and Japanese governments signed the Economic Partnership Agreement (IJEPA) in August, 2007, which has become effective since July, 2008. The IJEPA contains the framework of cooperation by the Japanese government to support the development of Indonesian industries, which is called the MIDEPI Initiative. Based on this, the Indonesian government submitted the request for technical cooperation in the field of welding to the Japanese government. The Japanese government examined how such cooperation can be implemented, and determined the JICA to implement it.

After the Lehman shock, economy of developed countries is still on the way to recovery, while Indonesia could have managed the crisis, realizing stable economic growth mainly led by robust private consumption. In order to make the economy more sustainable, it is necessary to further promote industrial development including the fostering of supporting industry. From the viewpoint of manufacturers from foreign countries, it is critical to develop such industry since it contributes to the diversification and stability of their procurement and the strengthening of their international competitiveness.

Professor Manabu TANAKA and visiting professor Nobutaka YURIOKA of Osaka University, Mr. Hiroyuki NAKASHIMA, Mr. Hideaki HARASAWA and Mr. Susumu KAWASHIMA of the JWES visit Indonesia as JICA experts this time. All of them have not only high professional knowledge and technology of welding but abundant experience in the field of international cooperation. As such, strongly supported by the JWES, the JICA continues to dispatch experts several times until the end of this year to implement cooperation activities contributing to the development of welding technology in Indonesia.

1. Date and Time: February 8, 2011 (Tue) 9:00am – 10:00am
   (Only the opening ceremony will be open to media)

2. Venue: Faculty of Engineering, Room K 301, University of Indonesia
   Campus UI Depok 16424, Indonesia
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3. Agenda: Opening remarks by the Ministry of Industry, the IWS, the JWES and the JICA

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The Training Course and Seminar for the Certification of Welding Technology

February 8 (Tue) Opening ceremony
February 8 (Tue) – 17 (Thu) The Training Course and Seminar
February 19 (Sat) Closing ceremony
February 19 (Sat) – 20 (Sun) Examination for the certification

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