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【Exchange Student Job Placement Support Cooperation Agreement Signing】

TECRO Yokohama Director-General visits City Hall

Mr. Zhihong Chen, Director-General of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office (TECRO) in Japan's Yokohama Branch, who was newly posted in May of this year, paid a courtesy call to Mayor Hayashi at City Hall on June 6.



From recent events, such as the Mayor's October 2016 visit to Taipei at the ten-year anniversary of partner city relations with Yokohama, to ongoing activities, like youth sports exchange programs and the placement of Taiwanese students at internships in the city, Director-General Chen and the Mayor reviewed the history of exchange between Yokohama and Taiwan and discussed ideas about their relationship going forward.



Republic of Korea Consul General visits Yokohama City Hall

Mr. Myung-Yul Lee, the new Consul General of the Republic of Korea in Yokohama, paid a courtesy call to Mayor Hayashi at City Hall on June 7.

During the visit, they reviewed the nation and city's history of exchange, such as the Yokohama Partner City status of Busan and Incheon, the annual personnel exchange with Seoul, and the cultural exchange that has continued with Gwangju since both cities were chosen as "Culture Cities of East Asia 2014," as well as discussed deepening the ties between South Korea and Yokohama.



Yokohama initiative to support exchange student job placement

The City of Yokohama considers foreign exchange programs to be one of the forces driving the growth of the city, and has therefore decided, in cooperation with Yokohama National University, Yokohama City University, and regional economic and international exchange organizations, to enact job-placement support for exchange students.

The initiative was kicked off with the signing ceremony for the "Foreign Exchange Student Job Placement Support Cooperation Agreement" held on June 15 at the Mayor's official residence. In attendance were the Presidents of the above institutions, as well as those of Kanagawa University and Kanto Gakuin University, the heads of various related Bureaus and the Mayor herself.



The city will promote this initiative, which has also been adopted by Japan's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology's "Exchange student employment promotion program," to enrich Yokohama by empowering the potential of its foreign exchange students.