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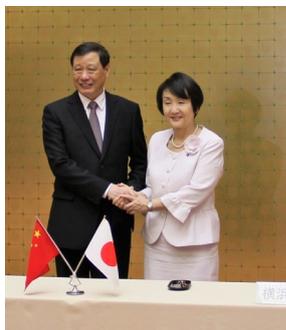


**[Shanghai Mayor Ying receives an overview of Yokohama Station]**

## Shanghai Mayor visits Yokohama during 45th anniversary of friendship city relations

This year, Yokohama and Shanghai, China, mark the 45th year since establishing friendship city relations.

On the occasion, Shanghai Mayor Mr. Yong Ying made a visit to Yokohama on June 2, where he met with Mayor Fumiko Hayashi before they took part in a signing ceremony of a renewed agreement on friendly exchange.



The two mayors discussed topics such as China's mass entrepreneurship and innovation campaign, the functions of smart and "sponge" cities, expanding MICE tourism, providing care for aging citizens, and waste separation. Also, newly added to the exchange agreement was a section on exchange in the field of education.



After the ceremony, Mayor Ying departed from Minatomirai Station onboard the Minatomirai line to observe the bustling Yokohama Station as a case study in multi-story and commercial land use. A special nursing home for the elderly in Yokohama was also the subject of a visit.



At the milestone of 45 years, this visit was seen as an auspicious opportunity for the two cities to strengthen their good relations through the perspective of addressing common issues.



## Government personnel from Metro Cebu receive training in Yokohama

Yokohama is collaborating with the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) on a master plan project for developing an urban transport system in Metro Cebu, the Philippines.



As part of this project to improve the area's transportation and support its healthy expansion, seven officials from

Metro Cebu visited Yokohama for training on May 21 and 22.

The delegation took part in discussions with the Urban Development Bureau about Yokohama's city transportation policies as well as with the Transportation Bureau regarding the operation of its municipal subway.



They also learned about Yokohama's international cooperation through public-private partnerships (the Y-PORT project) and the technical expertise related to transportation held by local private businesses.



Rounding out the visit, the delegation heard detailed explanations onboard the municipal subway to visit Center Kita Station, followed by Minatomirai Station on the Minatomirai Line, and listened intently while staff introduced the development of the stations' plazas and surrounding areas.