

New Year Special Seminar 2018

Theme : New era of business partnership between Kyushu and the East Asian region
Date : March 15, 2018
Place : Kitakyushu International Conference Center

In the afternoon of March 15, 2018, the New Year Special Seminar, was hosted by CCBS of the University of Kitakyushu with its cohost the Kitakyushu Chamber of Commerce & Industry, at Kitakyushu International Conference Center, and met with great success. With the cooperation of CCBS partners, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Renmin University of China (Minzu University of China), Sun Yat-sen University, Nanyang Technological University, the University of Macau, and Shandong University, as well as the local business community, the partial results of joint surveys and research for the northern Kyushu industries conducted in this fiscal year were presented in the form of panel discussions. Under the main theme of the “New era of business partnership between Kyushu and the East Asian region,” Prof. Taiyan HUANG, President of Minzu University of China/Director of the Research Center of China’s Private Enterprises, Renmin University of China, presented a keynote speech titled, “Effects given by the Belt and Road initiative to Japan–China business cooperation”. There were then two sessions entitled, “Growth of East Asia-based companies” and “Creating a scheme for interregional business partnership,” where eight experts made presentations and panel discussions accordingly.

The year of 2018 is a commemorative milestone of the 150th anniversary of Meiji Restoration. This seminar was a good opportunity for us to reconsider what role we can assume in Kyushu, which has strong ties with East Asia and played a leading role in Restoration. All panelists show support and understanding of the objectives of this seminar, they actively made valuable suggestions on the partnership scheme.



Organizer’s Greeting: Mr. Takashi MATSUO, President, University of Kitakyushu



● Keynote Speech

“Effects given by the Belt and Road initiative to Japan–China business cooperation”

Prof. Taiyan HUANG

President, Minzu University of China,

Director, the Research Center of China’s Private Enterprises, Renmin University of China



● Panel Discussion 1

“Growth of East Asia-based companies”

Panelists:

Prof. Hong LIU

Director, Nanyang Center for Public Administration,
Chair, School of Humanities and Social Sciences,
Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

Prof. Hang ZHU

Sun Yat-sen Business School, Sun Yat-sen University

Prof. Huixin YANG

Dean, School of Management, Shandong University

Director, Center for MBA/EMBA Education

Prof. Taiyan HUANG, President of Minzu University of China,

Director, the Research Center of China's Private Enterprises, Renmin University of China

Moderator:

Prof. Xiaoping WANG

Director, Center for Chinese Business Studies,

Graduate School of Business Administration, The University of Kitakyushu



● Panel Discussion 2

“Creating a scheme for interregional business partnership”

Panelists:

Prof. Shige MAKINO

Director, Center for International Business Studies,

CUHK Business School, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Dr. Chih-Yen TAI

Associate Research Fellow, International Division,

Chung-Hua Institution for Economic Research

Prof. Shigemi FURUTA

Visiting Associate Professor, Faculty of Business Administration, University of Macau,

Advisor, Yamato Transport Co., Ltd.

Prof. Hiromichi TABATA

Advisor, TOTO Ltd.,

Adjunct Prof., Graduate School of Business Administration, The University of Kitakyushu

Moderator:

Prof. Satoru MAETA

Director, Daichu Boueki Corporation,

Adjunct Prof., Graduate School of Business Administration, The University of Kitakyushu



Q & A session from the venue



Panelists to answer questions



Panelists and moderators