Operational Excellence Study Mission to Japan

Witnessing best practices in world class companies

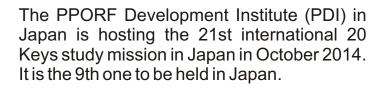
20 - 24 October 2014











Delegates will have the opportunity to visit and learn from eight diverse companies during the week. They will share their outstanding achievements with productivity improvement, cost reduction, quality improvement, increased turnaround times, people morale improvement, and their continuous, sustainable success with the implementation of continuous business improvement!

The target group for this study mission is Managing Directors, Operations Directors, Factory Managers, Lean and 20 Keys Practitioners, as well as Senior Managers striving for operational excellence.

On the next page is an outline of factories that will be visited.

On the last page, details of the tour price are outlined.

If you are interested in this study mission, please diarise the dates, and also please let us know whether you would like to participate.

Looking forward to seeing you in Japan!





PROGRAMME

Date		Company	Content	Remarks	Website URL
19 October	Sunday		Arrive in Obhiro, Japan - own travel arrangements from network countries	Delegates arrive in Obihiro - voted as a 'model environmental city' in Japan	
20 October	Monday	Panasonic Industrial Devices Obihiro Co., Ltd	Factory tour	Panasonic relay assembly manufacturer	http://www2.panasonic.co.jp/id/pidob/
		Lunch	Hotel		
		Toyo Agriculture	Factory tour	Agricultural equipment manufacturer (harvester, etc.) - implementing best practices for 27 years (20 Keys)	http://www.toyonoki.co.jp/
21 October	Tuesday	Meiji Hokkaido Tokachi Factory	Factory tour	Tokachi Cheese Plaza (cheese production)	https://www.meiji.co.jp/learned/factory/dairy/cheese_plaza/
		Lunch	Heiwaen restaurant		
		Anzai Production Co., Ltd	Factory tour	Automatic sorting machine manufacturer - implementing best practices for 12 years (20 Keys Silver Award)	http://www.anzai.co.jp/
22 October	Wednesday	Toyo Printing Co., Ltd	Factory tour	Printing and digital media	http://www.toyo-grp.co.jp/
22		Lunch	Hotel		
23 October	Thursday	Toyota Motor Hokkaido, Inc.	Factory tour	Toyota automatic transmission manufacturer - using the Toyota Production System	http://www.tmh.co.jp/
		Lunch	Hotel		
		Oji Paper Co., Ltd, Tomakomai	Factory tour	Biggest paper plant in the world	http://www.ojipaper.co.jp/
24 October	Friday	Sapporo Breweries, Ltd, Hokkaido	Factory tour	Beer manufacturer	http://www.sapporobeer.jp/gourmet/0000006671/ http://www.sapporobeer.jp/brewery/hokkaido
		Lunch	Sapporo Beer Garden Valhalla		
		Depart from Chitose		End of the tour	

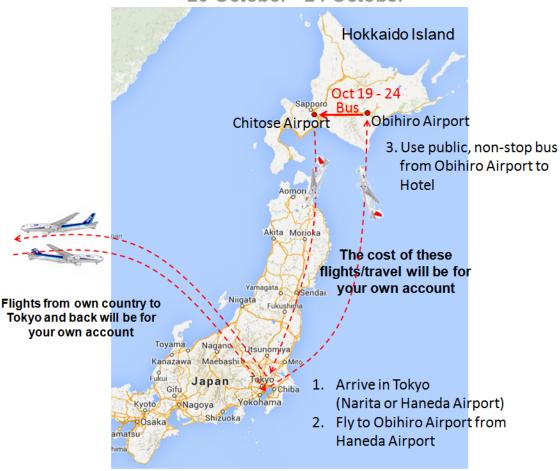






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Tour Price:

¥260,000* per delegate and includes the following:

- Accommodation & breakfast from 20 to 24 October (5 nights) at the Northland Hotel in Obihiro.
- Lunch and dinner for 5 days.
- Bus to and from factory visits every day.
- Interpretation fees, as well as transmitters for the whole week.

Excluded are:

- Flights to and from Japan (Narita Airport or Haneda Airport).
- Transport from either airport on arrival, to Northland Hotel in Obihiro, and back to Narita/Haneda on departure.
 There are flights from Haneda Airport to Obihiro Airport, and a bus service from the airport to the hotel at ¥1000 per person.

N.B.

* The tour price of ¥260,000 <u>must be paid</u> to PDI in <u>Yen only</u>. Should you send your money in a different currency, you will be liable to pay the difference between what the Yen tour price is, and the Yen amount (after conversion) received by PDI, if there is a shortfall.