

The 18th Japanese-Kuwaiti Businessmen' s Committee	Venue	Project Manager	Date of Implementation
	Tokyo	Ninomiya	October 02, 2013

Aim	To promote wide-ranging economic cooperation between Kuwait and Japan, such as in investment, technical transfers, trade, and human resource development, through personal exchanges, information exchanges, and exchanges of views between the private sectors in the two countries.
Overview	The following presentations were given to an audience composed of committee members, observers and concerned parties from Kuwait and Japan.
Contents	<p>1st Session: Economic Policy/Outlook</p> <p>(1) "ABENOMICS" and the Japanese Economy Presenter: Mr. Katsuyuki Hasegawa, Chief Market Economist, Head, Research Department–Financial Markets, Mizuho Research Institute Ltd.</p> <p>(2) Overview on Kuwait Economy Presenter: Mr. Ziad Kanafani, Senior Economist, National Bank of Kuwait</p> <p>.....</p> <p>2nd Session: Business Opportunity in Kuwait</p> <p>Part -1: Infrastructure (including Electricity, Water and Renewable Resources):</p> <p>(1) Existing 4-year Development Plan and Next Development Plan Presenter: Dr. Adel A. Al-Wegayan, Secretary General, Supreme Council for Planning & Development</p> <p>(2) Kuwait-Japan Policy Dialogue on National Development Planning Presenter: Ms. Kyoko Kondo, National and Regional Policy Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport & Tourism</p> <p>(3) Renewable Energy in Kuwait and the Gulf States Presenter: Dr. Naji Al-Mutairi, Director General, Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research</p> <p>Part-2: Medical Services:</p> <p>(1) Notable Japanese Cancer Treatment Presenter: Dr. Yasuhiro Fujiwara, Director General, Strategic Planning Bureau Chairman, National Cancer Center / Director, Medical Excellence JAPAN</p> <p>(2) Cancer in Kuwait – Facts and Numbers Presenter: Dr. Shafeqa Al-Awadhi, Advisor for Esoteric Diseases and Cancerous Tumors</p> <p>.....</p> <p>3rd Session: Joint Venture Projects</p> <p>(1) Collaboration with KPI at Vietnam Nghi Son Refinery Presenter: Mr. Hideaki Egashira, Senior Manager, Middle East Group, International Petroleum Business Dept., Idemitsu Kosan Co., Ltd</p> <p>(2) Kuwait – Japan Relations Presenter: Mr. Ghanim Nassir Al-Otaibi, Business Development Director, Kuwait Petroleum International</p> <p>(3) Business cooperation with Gulf Investment Corporation in Agriculture and Food Industries Presenter: Mr. Susumu Koyama, Joint General Manager, International Coordination Div., Mizuho Bank, Ltd.</p>
Result Achievement	The conference was attended by approximately 70 members on the Japanese side and 20 members on the Kuwaiti side. The above presentations were given, followed by active Q&A and exchange of views, and Mr. Saito, joint chairman representing the Japanese side, presented a letter of request to Mr. Al-sagar, joint chairman on the Kuwaiti side, concerning (1) a review of the offset program and (2) cooperation for the early execution and realization of an FTA/EPA.

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