

## Tokyo Tech held the Mid-Long Research Internship Information Exchange Event

Center for Entrepreneurship Education, Career Development Section, Tokyo Tech and the NAIST Career Services Office co-organized an online networking event with global companies in Japan on May 29, 2024. The event primarily targeted PhD students and facilitated networking opportunities for mid-to-long-term research internships.

With the increasing demand for international students seeking employment in Japan, the language barrier often hinders successful matching with companies due to the high Japanese proficiency required for job applications and internships. To address this challenge, the event(9<sup>th</sup>) was conducted entirely in English for the first time, providing a valuable opportunity also for international students with limited Japanese language skills.

The event brought together 12 global companies and research institutions, including Apple Japan, AIST (National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology), Ericsson Research Japan, Hitachi, Honda Research Institute Japan, IBM Japan, Nippon Boehringer Ingelheim, Schneider Electric, Shionogi, teamLab, TÜV Rheinland Japan, and Zeon Corporation. Over 500 students from Tokyo Tech and NAIST, and other national universities across Japan registered for the event, fostering active engagement and networking.

The representatives from the participating companies and research institutions presented their mid-to-long-term internship opportunities (ranging from 2 weeks to several months), company overview, desired human resources etc. in English. Breakout rooms facilitated individual interactions between students and company representatives.

Such English-based career events are rare in Japan, and our university remains committed to organizing and implementing innovative initiatives to promote global mindsets and facilitate the retention of international students in Japan. We will continue to actively plan and execute these groundbreaking events in the future.

## Schedule

15 : 00～ Opening Remarks

### PART 1: Company Short Presentation Session 【MAIN ROOM】

15 : 05～ Apple Japan	15 : 35～ Nippon Boehringer Ingelheim
15 : 10～ AIST (産総研)	15 : 40～ Schneider Electric
15 : 15～ Ericsson Research Japan	15 : 45～ Shionogi
15 : 20～ Hitachi	15 : 50～ teamLab
15 : 25～ Honda Research Japan	15 : 55～ TÜV Rheinland Japan
15 : 30～ IBM Japan	16 : 00～ Zeon

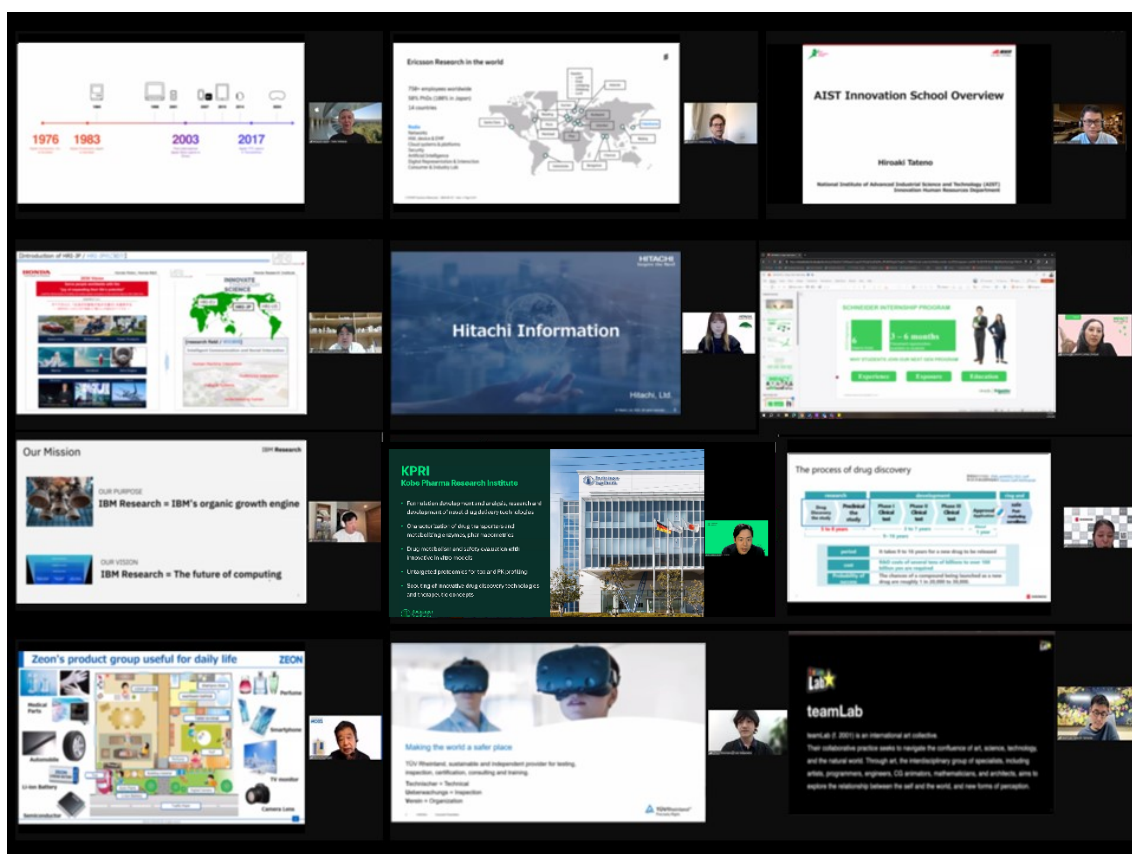
### PART 2: Individual Company Session 【BREAKOUT ROOMS】

Around 16 : 05 to 17 : 30

→ Please move to the Breakout Room you like to join after the presentation session.



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