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- Accelerating collaboration with global research institutions and companies -

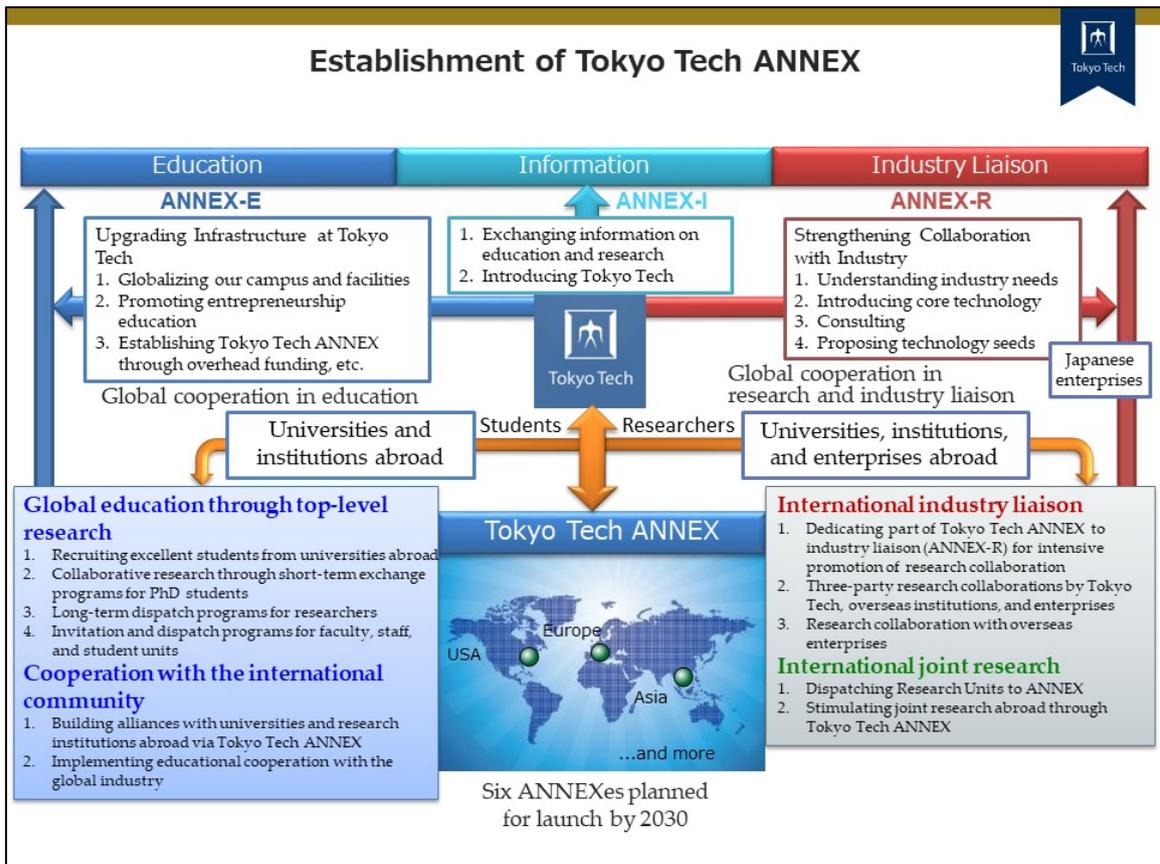
(Tokyo, March 12) Tokyo Tech is scheduled to open a new overseas base, the Tokyo Tech ANNEX (Hereinafter ANNEX), to accelerate collaboration with influential universities, research institutions and global companies. The ANNEX's wide range of functions include the cultivation of global human resources and the collection and provision of information overseas to serve as a hub to enhance education, research, and cooperation with individual communities and society as a whole.

Tokyo Tech entered into a contract with the Thailand National Science and Technology Development Agency (NSTDA) to open the first overseas ANNEX within the NSTDA in March 2018.

Tokyo Tech has promoted leading-edge research and education with the goal of becoming the top science and engineering universities in the world by the year 2030. To implement its achievements into society, it is necessary to discover industry needs, develop proposals for technical seeds and provide professional consultation.

Since 2007, Tokyo Tech has cooperated with NSTDA to provide graduate school education through the Thailand Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (TAIST). Using TAIST's experience and network, Tokyo Tech faculty and researchers have established a triangular network with on-site companies, universities and research institutions to lead joint research and implement their results to society.

Tokyo Tech plans to open ANNEX sites in six locations in Asia, U.S. and Europe by FY 2030.



ANNEX Conceptual Scheme

■ Thailand ANNEX overview

1. Name: Tokyo Tech ANNEX Bangkok
2. Address: NSTDA (National Science and Technology Development Agency)
P-205 Thailand Science Park, 111 Paholyothin Rd., Klong 1,
Klong Luang, Pathumthani 12120, Thailand

3. Description:

● Education

- Attracting outstanding students overseas
- Using ANNEX sites as bases to establish alliances with overseas universities and research institutions while providing Tokyo Tech education overseas, including entrepreneur and design education
- Establishing collaborative relationships with global industries through education and conducting internship programs

● Research

- Promoting joint international research through short-term exchange programs for students in doctoral programs

- Long-term dispatch of students through a doctoral researcher system and the dispatch of research units
- Industry-University Collaboration
 - Promoting joint research with overseas companies, universities and research institutions through a triangular network
Discovering industry needs, proposing technical seeds, and providing technical consulting
- Approaches to information collection and provision
 - Providing optimized information on the most updated educational results, research achievements, and research equipment to overseas specialists
 - Providing information on Tokyo Tech's priority and strategic fields on an ongoing basis
 - Collecting the most up-to-date information and technical movements in countries and regions and reflecting them to the designs for Tokyo Tech's future vision of society

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