



# Close Up YNU 2015

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## TOPICS

### YNU Day at Dalian University of Technology (DUT)

On Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015, YNU held 'YNU Day at Dalian University of Technology (DUT)', Dalian, China. This event took place at DUT, with which YNU has an inter-university exchange agreement. Its purpose is to strengthen the cross-border network among students, alumni, and faculty between DUT and YNU through a key note speech, trial lectures, and seminars by YNU professors. Although it was Sunday, many partic-

ipants including students gathered at a key note speech, and a session regarding the YNU's entrance exams on the first day. On the second day, YNU professors conducted trial lectures, and seminars. Seven trial lectures were being held simultaneously. A student who attended one of the lectures said that it was productive because he was able to understand the subject from a different perspective. In addition to trial lectures, and seminars, YNU offered

a session to introduce its university's entrance exams. YNU representatives answered questions from prospective international students, while providing them with related information. With over 450 people participated, the 2 day event has definitely further strengthened the network among students, and the faculties of DUT and YNU.

Details : <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/15023/detail.html>



President Guo (right) and President Hasebe (left) at signing ceremony



Greeting of DUT and YNU Representatives

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### YNU International Symposium 2015 "Water Environment Management — Advanced wastewater treatment, WET and ecological risk assessment — was held on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015

This symposium was consisted of the lectures of two overseas universities: Dalian University of Technology (China) and Da Nang University of Technology (Viet Nam), two Japanese universities, Toyama Prefectural University and YNU, and two Japanese institutes: National Institute for Environmental studies and

Research Institute of Science for Safety and Sustainability. Water resources and their management have emerged to be the very important issues in Asian and other countries which were under a remarkable development phase in the economy, focusing on its sustainability as well as the strength, in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Details : <http://www.kokusai-senryaku.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14342/>



Commemorative Photo of all Lecturers

## International Exchange Internship Program at Tsinghua University (China) Sep.14<sup>th</sup>-Sep.25<sup>th</sup>

**10** YNU graduate students of Department of Physics, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Graduate School of Engineering participated in the first International Exchange Internship Program between YNU and Tsinghua University in Beijing, China. During their stay, YNU students attended experimental

lectures which Tsinghua University students actually practiced. Besides, they toured the power electronics laboratory, the information media laboratory and the experimental facility of Department Automatic Control of Tsinghua University. The substantial research and educational organization of the Chinese top university are remarkable.



YNU Internship members

## Summer Intensive English Camp held at California State University, Monterey Bay Aug.29<sup>th</sup>-Sep.21<sup>st</sup>, and San Diego State University Aug.29<sup>th</sup>-Sep.27<sup>th</sup> in California, U.S.A.



YNU Summer Intensive English Camp members at California State University, Monterey Bay

Details : ☞ <http://www.kokusai-senryaku.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14815/>



YNU Summer Intensive English Camp members at San Diego State University

Details : ☞ <http://www.kokusai-senryaku.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14811/>

**T**he Summer Intensive English Camp was held at California State University, Monterey Bay and San Diego State University in California. The summer intensive English Camp aimed at enhancing YNU students' English proficiency. In addition, the camp sought to understand the American society, living and culture more deeply through homestays and activities in the community.

## YNU held workshops for 'Fostering the next generation of Japanese descent overseas' July 6<sup>th</sup> - July 14<sup>th</sup>

**18** students from Central and South America organized by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) visited YNU to participate in 'Fostering the next generation of Japanese descent overseas'. This workshop aims to strengthen ties

between Japan and countries in the region, and to foster human resources who will contribute to developing the Japanese Society of their home countries.

Details : ☞ <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14457/detail.html>



Wearing Kimono with smiles

## American Plus Field Study Program held at Portland State University in Oregon, U.S.A. Feb.19<sup>th</sup> - Mar. 15<sup>th</sup>

**A**merica Plus Field Study Program was held at Portland State University in Oregon. America Plus Field Study Program aimed at enhancing student's English ability to be ac-

tively involved in the globalized society. 19 YNU students attended.

Details : ☞ <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/13537/detail.html>



America Plus Fields Study program members

## Short-term Study Abroad Program held at the University of Santo Tomas in the Philippines Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> - Mar. 1<sup>st</sup>

**Y**NU International Special Programs 2014 aimed at promoting globalization as an educational institution. One of the programs, 'Short-term Study Abroad Program' was

held at the University of Santo Tomas in the Philippines. 16 YNU students attended the program.

Details : ☞ <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/13538/detail.html>



Short-term Study Abroad Program members

## Establishing Two YNU International Branches with the Partner Universities

### University of Oulu, Finland, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>

**Y**NU signed an agreement with the University of Oulu (OYO, Finland) in setting up its international branch on the campus of OYO. YNU Center for Future Medical Social Infrastructure Based on Information Communications Technology (MICT) and OYO Centre for Wireless Communication signed an academic exchange agreement in 2008. On the following year, the two universities concluded

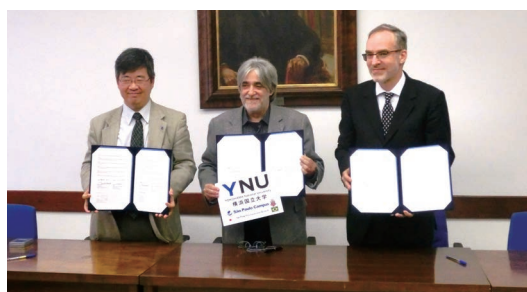
the Inter-university Exchange Agreement. Since then, YNU, especially its Faculty of Engineering has been engaging in joint research, and student exchange with OYO.

The YNU international branch is expected to become a powerful, and influential hub of cooperation not only between YNU and OYO, but Japan and Finland as well as Europe.



Rector Jouko Niinimäki and President Yuichi Hasebe

Details : <http://www.kokusai-senryaku.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14864/>



Prof. Dr. Jose Roberto Castilho Piqueira (Center) and Vice-President Nakamura

### University of São Paulo, Brazil, May 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Y**NU signed an agreement with USP in establishing its international branch on the USP campus. USP is under the inter-university agreement with YNU, and liaison offices are located at each school. YNU has established

a branch as a hub for international education, and research in Central, and South America.

Details : <http://www.kokusai-senryaku.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/13888/>

## New Partners of the Academic Exchange Agreement

### Mongolian University of Science and Technology (MUST) and YNU Signed an Academic Exchange Agreement, June 18<sup>th</sup>

**P**resident B. Ochirbat from MUST visited YNU to hold a signing ceremony for an academic exchange agreement with YNU. Both universities have actively been exchanging a dialogue of how to promote mu-

tual collaboration and research between MUST and YNU.

Details : <http://www.kokusai-senryaku.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14090/>



President Ochirbat (Right) and President Hasebe

### YNU Signed the Academic Exchange Agreement with Shandong University (China), April 23<sup>rd</sup>

**V**ice-President Zijiang Chen and faculty members visited YNU to have a meeting to focus on potential academic fields to cooperate and collaborate, and also

to discuss on signing a new agreement between the faculties.

Details : <http://www.kokusai-senryaku.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14117/>



Vice President Zijiang Chen (Left) and President Yuichi Hasebe

### YNU Signed the Academic Exchange Agreement with four Latin American universities, Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>

**Y**NU signed the Academic Exchange Agreement with Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (Mexico), Colombia National University (Colombia), Caaguazú National University (Paraguay) and Nihon Gak-

ko University (Paraguay). All the representatives of the universities attended YNU International Symposium 2015 "Collaboration with Latin America Based on Yokohama -Spin a Dream Together- "Esperanza".

Details : <http://www.kokusai-senryaku.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14090/>



Exchange Agreement

## President Yuichi Hasebe and delegates from YNU attended the ceremony of the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the foundation of Shine Mongol High School, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>

President Yuichi Hasebe and the delegates from YNU attended the ceremony of the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the foundation of Shine Mongol High School (SMHS) in Ulan Bator, Mongolia. SMHS was established with an assistance of Japanese volunteers in 2000, and subsequently its middle school, elementary school, New Mongol Technique Engineering College, and New Mongol Institute of

Technology were established.

In 2014, all the schools were combined into New Mongol Academy (NMA), and took a first step toward its new history.

Details : <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14625/detail.html>



Students performing on the stage



President Hasebe addressing at the commemorative party

## President Hasebe Attended Viet Nam - Japan University Presidents' Conference, Sep.28<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>

President Yuichi Hasebe and the delegates from YNU participated in Viet Nam - Japan University Presidents' Conference which was held in Da Nang (Viet Nam).

This conference was held as its third event hosted by the University of Da Nang (UD), the partner university of YNU, and co-hosted by Kyoto University as the organizer of representatives from Japanese universities, and participation of approximately 200 people from 44 universities in Viet Nam and 28 universities in Japan attended.

"Cultivating Human Resources for the Future of Vietnam and Japan" was set as the general theme and participating universities reported and proposed on various approaches and efforts focused on "Educational Cooperation and Quality Assurance" and "Research Collaboration and Utilizing

Research Outcomes for the Benefit of Society" between Japanese and Vietnamese universities.

On the second day, President Hasebe appeared on stage as a panelist to report the relationship between Viet Nam and YNU on the basis of the exchange results along with its partner universities. Also, he proposed that the pursuit of innovation in the new era of globalization require promotional approaches to the double-degree programs based on quality assurance of university education and encouragement of exchanges and cooperation with local governments and enterprises on the fundamentals of research exchanges such as research collaboration between the mutual academic staff.

Details : <http://www.kokusai-senryaku.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14861/>



President Hasebe Speaking at the Panel Discussion



The 3rd Viet Nam - Japan University Presidents' Conference Participants at Full Strength

## Two YNU alumni awarded the title of honor by the governor of Kentucky, U.S.A

Two YNU alumni, Mr. Hidetoshi Kamezaki, and Mr. Itaru Tsukagoe, have been awarded Kentucky colonel, the highest title of honor in the state of Kentucky presented by the governor.

A former vice-president of Mitsubishi Corporation, Mr. Kamezaki, who graduated from College of Economics in 1966, is currently a member of the Policy Board of Bank of Japan as well

as a member of Japanese committee of the APEC Business Advisory Council. He also works as a Member of Joint Management Council of YNU. Another recipient is Mr. Itaru Tsukagoe, who is a certified public accountant of the U.S.A., and currently resides in the state of Kentucky. He graduated from College of Economics in 1968.

Detail : <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/koho/14992/detail.html>



From left to right, Kentucky Governor Steve Beshear, Mr. Tsukagoe, and Mr. Kamezaki

## YNU Alumni Reunion in 2015

### Phnom Penh (Cambodia), October 31<sup>st</sup>



Year 2015 Cambodia Alumni

Details : <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/alumni/14933/>

### Vientiane (Laos), October 27<sup>th</sup>



Year 2015 Laos Alumni commemorative photo

Details : <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/alumni/14934/>

### Ulan Bator (Mongolia), October 6<sup>th</sup>



Year 2015 YNU Mongolia Alumni Reunion

Details : <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14625/detail.html>

### São Paulo (Brazil), October 5<sup>th</sup>



Making a toasting to the reunion

Details : <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/alumni/14668/>

### San Francisco Bay Area (U.S.A), September 12<sup>th</sup>



YNU SF-Bay Area Alumni Preparation Meeting commemorative photo

Details : <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/alumni/14549/>

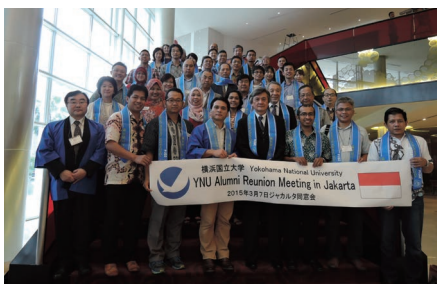
### Taipei (Taiwan), July 19<sup>th</sup>



Year 2015 Taiwan Alumni commemorative photo, Associate Prof. Wu Pei-Chen (Center)

Details : <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/alumni/14341/>

### Jakarta (Indonesia), March 7<sup>th</sup>



Year 2015 YNU Indonesia Alumni Reunion

Details : <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/alumni/13502/>

### Manila (Philippines), February 20<sup>th</sup>



Year 2015 YNU Philippines Alumni Reunion

Details : <http://www.ynu.ac.jp/hus/alumni/13458/>

### Beijing (China), February 3<sup>rd</sup>



Year 2015 YNU Beijing Alumni Reunion

## The 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Port-city Universities League was held in São Paulo

The 9<sup>th</sup> International Seminar of Port-city Universities League (PUL) was held from October 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> at the University of São Paulo (USP), Brazil, under the theme of "Sustainability of Port Cities: Environment, Quality of Life and Smart Logistics." PUL was established in 2006 as a unique international league of universities located in the world's preeminent port-cities. Having its secretariat in Yokohama National University, PUL consists of 15 universities from 12 countries.

On the first day, the participants from PUL member universities gave presentations. From YNU, Associate Professor Hirakawa gave a presentation under the title of "Development of Mini-buoy for Ocean Wave Measurement", and Professor Nakamura presented, "Urban Mobility Designing Focusing on Potential of Buses".

On the second day, the 9<sup>th</sup> PUL partici-

pants welcomed speakers from the City of Santos, which has the biggest port in Brazil, and also certain specialists from enterprises located in the city. After the meeting, Professor of USP Kazuo Nishimoto introduced the Ship Model and Sea Keeping Basin of USP and oth-

er experimental facilities for the participants. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> day, the participants took a tour of the City of Santos along with the students of USP.

Details : <http://www.kokusai-senryaku.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14818/>



Commemorative Photo of PUL2015

## YNU Won Nihon-Ryugaku Awards 2015 (National & Public Universities of East Japan)

The annual 'Study in Japan Awards' is to present to universities, graduate schools, and technical colleges in Japan which garner much supports from teachers, and staff members working at about 400 Japanese language schools across Japan. Winners are selected based on the result of a questionnaire 'Higher education institutions recommended for international students' conducted

among teachers and school employees at Japanese language schools.

This year marks its 4th 'Study in Japan Awards', and a new category of national and public universities is added to the award list. YNU is selected as one of four winners in the east the Japan division of its category. The other three winners are Tokyo Institute of Technology, University of Tsukuba, and Chiba University.

Details : <http://www.kokusai-senryaku.ynu.ac.jp/hus/kokusais/14645/>



Certificate of Commendation, Nihon Ryugaku-Awards