

Support to EU-Japan Cooperation in Innovation and R & D

J-BILAT



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WHAT IS J-BILAT?

J-BILAT is an EU-funded project for the promotion, enhancement and development of EU-Japan cooperation in RTD and Innovation.

PROGRAMMES OBJECTIVES

Enhance and develop science and technology partnerships, targeting Japanese researchers through:

- Information service on the 7th Framework Programme (FP7) through a web site (mainly in Japanese) <http://www.j-bilat.eu/>
- Helpdesk service; circulation of newsletters for researchers interested in collaborating with Europe
- Organisation of awareness raising events, workshops to share best practices, and other seminars



BILAT Team



Cluster Networking Reception

Cluster Helpdesk and Infoservice

PROGRAMMES OBJECTIVES

Help European and Japanese clusters identify potential cooperation partners in the reciprocal regions, facilitate access to information on EU and Japanese clusters in general, on existing cooperation set-ups between EU and Japanese clusters, and on financing tools that may be used to foster future cooperation.

MATCHMAKING

- Japanese and French aerospace clusters
- Japanese and Polish ICT clusters
- Japanese and French Food/ Bio clusters

ORGANISATION OF STUDY VISITS

October 2009: the European Cluster Policy Group (ECPG) completed a study visit to Japan, organised by the EU-Japan Centre and METI, with the support of the Commission.

«THE OUTCOME OF THE INTENSIVE 3 1/2 DAYS STUDY VISIT WAS CONSIDERED TO BE AN IMPORTANT STEP IN STRENGTHENING THE TIES BETWEEN THE EU AND JAPAN IN THE FIELD OF CLUSTER POLICY. AS A RESULT OF THE VISIT, THE GROUP DEVELOPED A NUMBER OF CONCRETE SUGGESTIONS FOR ACTIVITIES THAT COULD BE PURSUED IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO STRENGTHEN LINKS AND LEARN FROM EACH OTHER.»



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