

Czech Republic and Slovakia Investment Seminar Innovation in Automotive

1st December 2017 (Fri) | 13:00-17:00

Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry, 6F Hakuhou Room
(2-8 Honmachi-Bashi, Chuo-ku, Osaka)

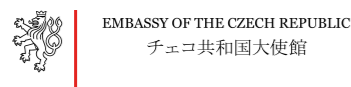
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**Spontaneous interpretation (Japanese – English), capacity 80, free of charge*

As the Czech Republic and Slovakia are traditional destinations for Japanese automotive manufacturers, the European market has been evolving quite fast and recent developments may change the status quo soon. The seminar therefore focuses on the new trends and innovations with major influence on current production processes. The topics will cover the government policy, corporate activities, and consumer trends as well. What is the current investment behaviour of foreign companies? What is the key to success in such fast-changing market? Come and see the possibility of new business development for Japanese companies from a variety of perspectives.



Program:

12:30 **Door Open**

13:00 **Opening Remarks**

Tomáš DUB, *Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Czech Republic in Japan*
Marián TOMÁŠIK, *Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Slovak Republic to Japan*
Minoru FURUKAWA, *Vice Chairman, Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry*

13:15 **Slovakia - your smart investment destination**

Milan GAVLÁK, *Head of Strategic Projects, Slovak Investment and Trade Development Agency (SARIO)*

13:35 **Expansion of MinebeaMitsumi in Slovakia**

Katsuhiko YOSHIDA, *Deputy Chief of Business Administration Headquarters, General Manager of Business Administration Department, General Manager of Investor Relations Office at Business Administration Headquarters, MinebeaMitsumi Inc.*

13:55 **Investment Climate and Current Automotive Trends in the Czech Republic**

Jiří FUSEK, *Director for Japanese Operation, CzechInvest*

14:15 **Japanese Companies in the Czech Republic and Prospects for the Future**

Seiji NAKAGOSHI, *Advisor to CEO, CzechInvest*

14:35 **Coffee Break**

14:50 **Panel Discussion—Shift from Basic Manufacturing to High Value-added Production in CEE**

Moderator:

+ Tadashi MURAKAMI, *Director-General, Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) Prague*

Panelists:

+ Kazuma INOUE, *Managing Director, Head of Czech Republic, MUFG Bank (Europe) N.V. Prague Branch*

+ Keisuke KITAO, *Managing Director, Head of Austria, MUFG Bank (Europe) N.V. Vienna Branch*

+ Seiji NAKAGOSHI, *Advisor to CEO, CzechInvest*

+ Milan GAVLÁK, *Head of Strategic Projects, Slovak Investment and Trade Development Agency (SARIO)*

15:40 **Q&A**

15:55 **Closing Remarks**

Ichiro SONE, *Director-General, JETRO Osaka*

16:00 **Networking**

Register by email (tokyo@czechinvest.org) or phone (03-5485-8266). When applying via email, please write "Application for Czech Republic and Slovakia Investment Seminar in Osaka" in the title, placing your (1) Name, (2) Company Name, (3) Department/Division, (4) Title, (5) TEL, and (6) Email in the email body. Confirmation email will be sent after the application. Deadline: 24th November 2017 (Fri).

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