# Tokyo One-Stop Business Establishment Center Newsletter (Vol.3)

May 31, 2016

## TOSBEC welcomes its 1,000th visitor; interview with milestone user

The Tokyo One-Stop Business Establishment Center (TOSBEC) provides a one-stop support service for foreign companies and start-ups to complete procedures to set up a business in Japan. The center publishes the TOSBEC Newsletter to provide information on its services and events.

#### **User Interview (Vol.3)**

TOSBEC Newsletter shares users' feedback and messages to aspiring entrepreneurs. This third report features an interview with Mr. Katsura, the one-thousandth visitor to the center.

Interviewee: Mr. Alain Yuto Katsura

#### ■ Will you tell us what has brought you to the center?

Previously I worked at an advertising industry, while seeking an opportunity to start up a business, which was my aspiration from college. Recently I started to engage in the individual/corporate insurance agency as a sole proprietor. I am preparing to create a fund for incorporating a business in the future as I could be benefitted to receive preferential tax treatment. Looking for advice on this matter, I visited the center for the first time. Ahead of this, I already knew about the center, having read an announcement of a TOSBEC information session posted on a Facebook page for an exclusive entrepreneur group.

## ■ Please give us your comments on using the center.

Today I visited the certification of articles of incorporation booth. I knew it is not an easy topic, but the staff gave me an effective, well-organized explanation, which was very helpful. It is great that you can use the service free of charge and as many times as you like. I plan to visit the center regularly, calling at different booths each time with an aim to deepen my understanding on various topics. Many more entrepreneurs should be aware of these administrative support services available for free. I will continue to use the center.

#### ■ Do you have a message for people aiming to start up a business?

For my first visit to the center, I did not have any particular objective. First-time visitors may feel hesitant, but once entering the center, the staff will welcome you, offering kind advice and help on individual issues. By way of trial, I recommend attending an information session.

# TOSBEC information session (June) is now accepting your registration

Dates: June 7 (Tue), 10 (Fri), 13 (Mon), 21 (Tue), 24 (Fri)

**Program:** (to be presented only in Japanese)

2:00 - 2:45 pm Special lecture

[Different topics, including on grant programs, will be selected for each session]

2:45 - 3:30 pm Consultation at the booth of your choice

[For consultation only: please show up at 2:30 pm at TOSBEC reception desk]

#### **Registration:**

https://job.axol.jp/17/c/tosbec/entry/contents/4

Tokyo One-Stop Business Establishment Center

Address: Japan External Trade Organization headquarters 7F

ARK Mori Building, 12-32 Akasaka, 1-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo

Phone: 03-3582-8352; Fax: 03-5561-4123; Website: http://tosbec.org/english/index.html





