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21st Y-PORT Workshop held with focus on Thailand's smart city development

The 21st Y-PORT Workshop was held on July 25 with the theme of "Developing smart cities in Thailand and the expectations for Yokohama."

Thailand's Ministry of Energy is currently considering ways to reduce its energy consumption through integrating "smart" city technology such as energy management systems. Yokohama is poised to help realize these initiatives through sharing its experience, technology, and expertise in this area.



During the Workshop, the Director General of the Energy Policy and Planning Office of Thailand's Ministry of Energy gave a presentation on the city's "smart" policies, and the CEO of Amata Corporation PCL., Thailand's largest industrial park development and management company, spoke on utilizing smart technology on large-scale industrial areas.



Yokohama, JICA, Hanoi sign memorandum of understanding

On August 9, the City of Yokohama signed a three-way memorandum of understanding with the JICA and the

Construction Department of the City of Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam, to work together on improvements to Hanoi's sewerage infrastructure capacity.



Through the agreement, Yokohama will share its expertise regarding the operation and maintenance of wastewater treatment plants and encourage the formulation of policies for suitable disposal of sludge byproduct. Additionally, it will help develop countermeasures to the floods caused by Hanoi's frequent heavy rains.

Since 2014, Yokohama's contributions to projects to improve sewerage operations in Hanoi through collaboration with JICA have produced great results. This project will continue to offer not only on-site technical cooperation sessions, but also observational tours of Yokohama facilities as well as training sessions for Construction Department personnel.



Constanța commemorative panel displayed at showing of Romanian film "Toto and His Sisters"

This year, 2017, marks the milestone 40th anniversary of friendship and

sister-city relations between the City of Constanța, Romania and the City of Yokohama. A commemorative panel featuring the exchange shared between Constanța and Yokohama was on display at various places around the city.

The Romanian documentary film "Toto and His Sisters" (Romanian: "Toto și surorile lui"), scheduled to play at the Cinema Jack and Betty mini-theater in Wakaba-cho, Naka Ward through September 1, and the commemorative panel is on display in the mini-theater's lobby.



University students intern at the International Affairs Bureau

Two university students took part in an internship at the City of Yokohama's International Affairs Bureau for one week starting August 21.



Over five days, the interns learned about the city's various international projects and observe the Yokohama International Center and International Lounges.