Global Innovation Lab in Japan

Information

Keihanna Open Innovation Center @ KYOTO
KICK is located in the Kansai Science City, also known as the Keihanna Science City – a hub for innovative knowledge and research to open up the future. Situated in the lush green surroundings of the Keihanna Hills region on the borders of Kyoto, Osaka, and Nara prefectures, the city is a leading center for culture, technology, and research in Asia, and brings together an increasing number of research institutions and international exchange projects from across the globe.

Kansai Science City aims to develop a new city model for the future, and through industry-academia-government cooperation as part of a national project, develop groundbreaking technology, create new industries, and promote innovative forms of culture, all while coordinating efforts with other cultural and technological research institutions around the world.

International Institute for Advanced Studies

Advanced Telecommunications Research Institute International (ATR)

National Institute of Information and Communications Technology (NICT)

Research Institute of Innovative Technology for the Earth (RITE)
**Smart Life**
Research that contributes to the development of long and healthy yet safe and secure “smart” lives by providing support for healthcare and life innovation to boost the health of the region's residents.

**Smart Energy & ICT**
Research that focuses primarily on smart energy sources such as solar energy and hydrogen fuel cells, as well as research into the use of lifestyle ICT systems as a base upon which we can develop an advanced future city model.

**Smart Agriculture**
Research which contributes to the creation of a healthy and long-lived society and brings out the unique Japanese potential of farms, through the development of high-quality products using cultivation techniques which utilize groundbreaking technology, and application of functional food products, etc.

**Smart Culture & Education**
Research which works towards creating a future society with new values based on the fusion of science and culture, by training skilled human resources through education which utilizes the region's cultural background and resources, while also working to protect, archive, and pass on those manufacturing skills accumulated over the past generations.
Concept 1
~Create a new value through collaboration of Industry & Academia~
Through the fusion of the seeds of technology brought about from the R&D of universities and institutions with the needs of the industrial sector, we can accelerate the application and development of products by fostering industry-academia collaboration, as well as among manufacturers and among academic institutions.

Concept 2
~Take advantage of the potential of regional resources~
The Kansai Region, with its wealth of technology and manufacturers, combined with the abundance of R&D and large field for community trials in Kansai Science City, can be developed into a main hub.

Concept 3
~Innovate smart life and culture~
Using ICT as a foundation, promote and encourage innovation in various areas such as energy, health and medical care, food supply, infrastructure, education, and culture.

3 Basic Concepts

Create a new value through collaboration of Industry & Academy

Take advantage of the potential of regional resources

Innovate smart life and culture
1. The optimal regional environment for open innovation

Across the Kyoto Innovation Belt, large clusters of R&D centers and the Kansai Science City's ICT, environmental, energy, healthcare, and advanced manufacturing technologies combine with KICK's projects to unlock huge potential for new innovation. Furthermore, with active participation from local residents in trial programs, application of these innovations into society can be accelerated.

2. Provision of a wide range and variety of R&D environments

As well as open research spaces, KICK also provides both large and small office spaces with the potential to meet a wide variety of R&D needs. The large and spacious facility also offers plenty of room to create space for exchange and collaboration between researchers.

3. Strong and reliable support from industry-academia-government collaboration bodies in Kyoto and Kansai

KICK's activities and projects receive helpful and polite support from the veteran industry-academia-government collaboration bodies in Kyoto and Kansai. Support to further develop research activities is provided on a daily basis, providing such services as corporate needs matchmaking, research results announcements, and intellectual property support.

Examples of KICK's applications

◇Acts as a center for industry-academia collaborative joint research projects
◇Research hub for universities, research institutions, and companies
◇Functional development center for R&D promotion, etc
◇Also accepts proposals for research application plans
Facility Outline

1. **Name**: Keihanna Open Innovation Center @KYOTO (KICK)
2. **Location**: 619-0249 Seika-Nishikizu District, Kansai Science City (located in the Seika-cho, Soraku-gun, and Kizu-shi regions of Kyoto Prefecture)
3. **Site area**: 83,581.12 m²
4. **Building area**: 21,140.04 m²
5. **Total floor space**: 35,827.37 m²
6. **Construction**: Reinforced concrete, steel frame construction stainless steel plate roofing
7. **Zoning**: 200% ratio of building size to lot; 60% building coverage of site; light industrial zone
8. **Height district type**: Type 5 height district type (max. building height of 31m)
9. **Example space for rent (Office use)**:
   - Room size: approx. 30 - 300 m²
   - Ceiling height: 5 - 6m
   - Floor load capacity: 300kg/m²
   - Windows: available
   - Ceiling finish: Rockwool sound proofing, system ceiling
   - Flooring finish: Tile carpet, FA floor (H=100)
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<td>Fixed Property Tax</td>
<td>The first year: 0.14% (50% off) The second year: 0.467% (50% off) The third year: 0.53% (50% off) (general tariff: 1.4%)</td>
<td>Depreciable Property, Building &amp; The land for building</td>
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| Real Estate Acquisition Tax (in case of Research & Development Factory) | Mitigation of half of the real estate acquisition tax (taxation on a differential basis) (30% off) | Building & The land for building | - In the area of that was specified as the industrial accumulation promotion area. 
- Type of industry: Manufacturing industry, Software service, Information processing business. |
| | | | - Type of institution: Research Institute, Research & Development Factory |
| | | | The amount of money for acquisition (except for land): Research Institute is 25 million Japanese yen or more. Research & Development Factory is 50 million Japanese yen or more. |
| | | | The number of regular employment persons is 5 persons or more. |
| Kansai Science City (The region of Kyoto) | Building & The attached structure: 6/100 of acquisition price (in addition to ordinary depreciation) | Building & The attached structure | Building & The attached structure is for research institutes provided for the research and development about technology |
| The accelerated depreciation of Corporation Tax | Production Equipment, Processing Equipment, Conveyance Equipment, working Machine, Operating Machine, and so on: (1/200 of acquisition price in addition to ordinary depreciation) | Production Equipment, Processing Equipment, Conveyance Equipment, working Machine, Operating Machine, and so on. | The certification of Minister of Land, Infrastructure and Transport, that contributes to the Kansai Science City building programs. |
| | | | Building & The attached structure is 280 million Japanese yen or more. Production Equipment, Processing Equipment, Conveyance Equipment, working Machine, Operating Machine, and so on. is 24 million Japanese yen or more. (per each equipment or machine.) |
| Subsidy for establishment of enterprise place | | 10% of the amount of money for acquisition (except for land) | |
| Subsidy for employing Regular employment person | 900 million Japanese yen maximum | Depends on the number of Regular employment person. (Example) 
500 or more: 900 million Japanese yen 
50-99: 500 million Japanese yen 
10-19: 100 million Japanese yen | The regular employment person must have certification of residence in Kyoto Prefectural area, and be joining unemployment insurance. |
When travelling by car

From Kyoto

Hanshin Expressway, Daini Keihan Road, Hirakata–Higashi IC (interchange) → Japan National Route 307 → Keinawa Expressway, Tanabe–nishi IC → Seika–Gakken IC

Or; Daini Keihan Road, Yawata–Higashi IC → Prefectural Road 22, Yawata–Kizu Road → Keinawa Expressway, Tanabe–Kita IC → Seika–Gakken IC
When travelling by public transport

**From Kyoto**
Kyoto Station → Kintetsu Kyoto Line, Shinhosono Station → Nara Kotsu Bus* (approx. 50 min.)

**From Osaka**
Kyobashi Station → JR Gakkentoshi Line, Hosono Station → Nara Kotsu Bus* (approx. 70 min.)
Hommachi Station → Chuo Line/Kintetsu Keihanna Line, Gakkennaratomigaoka Station → Nara Kotsu Bus** (approx. 60 min.)
Namba Station → Kintetsu Nara Line, Ikoma Station → Keihanna Line, Gakkennaratomigaoka Station → Nara Kotsu Bus** (approx. 60 min.)

Kansai International Airport → Airport Limousine Bus, get off at Keihanna Plaza → Nara Kotsu Bus** (approx. 90 min.)

*Take the #36 or #37 or #56 Nara Kotsu Bus and get off at Koen Higashi-dori
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*Please note that tours of the facility, etc, will be guided by an employee, so we ask that those wishing to have such a tour contact the above telephone number in advance. (There may be days when entry to the facility is not possible due to equipment checks etc)