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## BEST hosts basic training course

*Number of participants record high*

As mutual transactions across the groups are seen as a key to the future development of the industry, the BEST Recyclers Alliance, which consists of four sales groups dealing in recycled auto parts, such as JARA Corp. and Big Wave Co., is striving to tighten relationships among the groups even starting from the stage of human resource development. On May 21-24, JARA Corp. hosted the 9th BEST Basic Training Course in Okazaki City, Aichi Prefecture. The course was primarily designed for younger employees to learn basic skills and attitudes toward working. The course has earned high evaluations from BEST member companies that have participated in the past in this annual event. This year, 77 trainees from 50 companies participated, a record-high number.

At the opening of the course, JARA Corp. President Sosho Kitajima encouraged trainees, saying "Our lecturers will go at you straight on. I want you to do the same with them, too. In a year or even 10 years, you will definitely see how well this course helps you."

Although the majority of trainees are younger employees, the course is open to employees, who are expected to further develop. This year, employees between 16 years old and those in their 50s participated.

One of major features of the training course is the proactive involvement of member companies' presidents and directors, who, during the four-day

course, serve day and night not only as lecturers but also as the team leaders of each trainee group. At times, the leaders are strict in their supervision, so as to thoroughly instill in trainees the proper mindset for being a member of society, leadership and awareness of "Customer First". During the training, trainees divided into eight groups and were repeatedly exposed to importance of rule-keeping through group activities. In the lectures, they learned good manners and the five principle Japanese greetings for dealing with customers, as well as basic information about mutual transactions of recycled auto parts and the history of the industry. (*Daily Automotive News, June 5 issue*)

## Packaging specs reviewed in details, also discuss transport cost hike

The fifth meeting of the Automobile Recycled Parts Logistics Study Association was held on June 6. The association consists of a total of eight companies and associations in the fields of recycled auto parts sales, system development, and transport. At the fifth meeting, two groups, System Auto Parts and Buyukai, newly joined as observers. Continuing from the previous meeting, attendees discussed standardization of recycled parts packaging and efforts to reduce shipping costs.

The ideal packaging for front bumpers was one of the main focuses of the meeting. Participants also confirmed that they will establish "fixed-route delivery service", exclusively for member companies, by analyzing the transport data of each group.

At the meeting, videos on the packaging of a Toyota Estima front bumper, recorded by each group, were viewed. Representatives of participating transport firm announced the results of their evaluation. For each method presented in the videos, both excelling points and points needing improvement, terms of materials used, cushioning and other outfitting, time required for packaging and procedural details were pointed out. In terms of safety, JARA

Corp.'s method was rated most-highly but issues remain due to possible additional cost because of weight and volume, as well as packaging shape, which is not very accommodative to other goods intended to be loaded onto the same truck.

The excelling performance of NGP's returnable material, a substitute for cardboard, also attracted attentions from members. In terms of cost and the time required, packaging using the returnable material produced better results than the methods used by other groups. "Amid growing concerns due to the consumption tax hike, reducing cost is essential," stressed NGP Executive Director Motohiro Tamaki. However, the representative of the participating transport company said, "Concerns still remain for the returnable material in terms of product protection, such as when contact is made with other products in the cargo." The association will consider the superiority of returnable material as a potential factor in the improvement of efficiency in packaging.

Meanwhile, meeting members also discussed the long-pending solution to dealing with increasing transport costs. Increased traffic, a truck-driver shortage, and gasoline price hikes are behind the transport cost hike. According to the transport firm, "We need to improve working terms, so as to be able to draw in new staff."

Against such a background, the association is considering a "fixed-route delivery service" for member companies, by which products shipped by each group will be consolidated into a common truck service system in selected areas. JARA Corp. and Broadleaf are responsible for the collection and analysis of transport data of all product items (locations of the companies sending, destination, and items).

The association is working hard to find a way to reduce transport costs across the entire industry, which includes JARA Corp., the NGP Nippon Automobile Recyclers Association, Big Wave, ARN, SSG, and Broadleaf among others. It will actively continue to search for solutions to the problem of increased transport costs, as well as to promote information exchange across the industry. (*Daily Automotive News, June 19 issue*)

## News from NPO JARA

### IRT 2014 to take place in Kushiro, Hokkaido, Japan



The International Roundtable on Automotive Recycling (IRT), which was launched in 2005, has served as the stage for assisting the world recycling industry to extend networks, facilitate market growth of recycled parts, as well as to improve the quality. The annual event so far has attracted people of automotive and related industries from around the world to discuss various topics and exchange information each other.

In the past, IRT had been held in Belgium, Canada, United Kingdom, and U.S.A. In 2007, it was held in Tokyo, Japan, as the first Japan event. This year, Japan's Kushiro City, Hokkaido, which nation has overcome the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami of March 2011, was chosen again as the venue of IRT 2014, the second Japan event.

NPO JARA, the organizer, will welcome many people to join the IRT 2014. Visitors will be healed by majestic nature and autumn glory in October in the Kushiro City.

#### IRT 2014 Overview

The 8th International Roundtable on Automotive Recycling 2014, Kushiro

Date: October 1 (Wed.) – 4 (Sat.), 2014



Venue: Kushiro Prince Hotel, 7-1 Saiwaicho, Kushiro City, Hokkaido

Organizer: Japan Automotive Recyclers Association (JARA)

#### Scheduled program:

October 1 (Wed.): Registration and IRT welcoming reception at 18:00~

October 2 (Thur.): Recycler's yard tour and Kobelco multi-nibbler machine demonstration at Takahashi Shokai Co. Bus tour to Kushiro-shitsugen (Marshland, pictured left) National Park. Evening reception hosted by JARA.

October 3 (Fri.): IRT meeting: Opening Speeches, Keynote Sessions, Country Reports, Roundtable Discussions Part 1, Networking Dinner

October 4 (Sat.): IRT meeting: Roundtable Discussions Part 2, Ending Speeches. By 12:00

\* Optional sightseeing tours to scenic viewpoints are also available after IRT ends.

For your registration and information in details, please visit at <http://irt2014.kushiro.jp> (Application deadline; July 31)

### Partners and supporting companies of IRT 2014 welcomed!

1. Event partnership: At least 10,000 yen (The name of the partner company will be on the companies' list in the IRT 2014 Guidebook)
2. Advertising opportunity: 150,000 yen for full page ad / 80,000 yen for half page ad in the Guidebook

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#### About NPO JARA:

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### Multi-Dismantling Machines

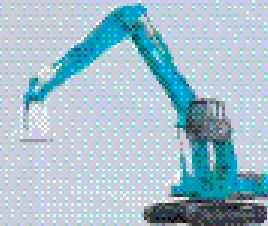
For dismantling end-of-life vehicles and other appliances, and separating out their complex materials.



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### Scrap loaders

For handling at scrap yard and harbors.  
Crawler-type: SK250LC, SK350LC, SK450LC



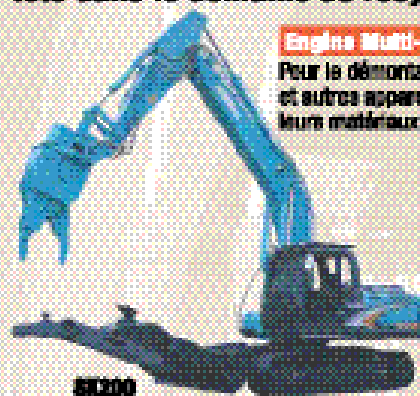
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# Les idées nouvelles viennent de KOBELCO

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### Engins Multi-Démonteurs

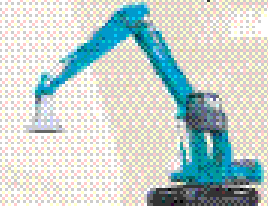
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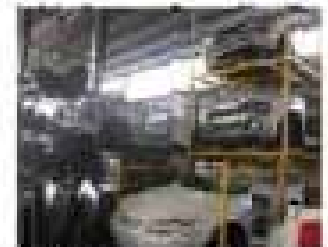
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