

THE DELEGATION FROM ITST VIETNAM VISITED NILIM FOR MINI-WORKSHOP AND STUDY TOUR IN JAPAN

MINI-WORKSHOP was held jointly by NILIM and ITST (Institute of Transport Science and Technology, Ministry of Transport, Vietnam) with sister organization PWRI (Public Works Research Institute) on 6 June in Tsukuba.

This WS was set as an event of Joint Research Road Map agreed in this February, which is focused on Porous asphalt and Steel bridge deck pavement. The delegation of 6 researchers was invited by JRCA (Japan Road Contractors Association), under the collaboration of which both institutes took this opportunity to precede the research cooperation to be deepened through the discussions and observation of experimental facilities and expressway works site in Shizuoka prefecture.

The delegation headed by Prof.Dr.Nguyen Huu TRI, Director of institute for road and aerodrome engineering, ITST extended a deep condolences to the East Japan disaster caused by huge tsunami and earthquake on 11 March this year and also thanks to the leadership of DG NILIM Mr. Nishikawa for a series of the cooperation between two institutes. DG Mr. Nishikawa addressed the vital importance of the technological cooperation between two countries, particularly for Vietnam emerging in the Asia economy which is required preparing for the harmonization of public works investments and environmental mitigation through the technology, including environmentally friendly pavement and materials. And the DG stressed the strategy of involving middle and young researcher mainly into activities should be kept in the cooperation from the future-thinking.



The day after the WS in Tsukuba, the delegation visited the NILIM Yokosuka office in Kanagawa prefecture, which is in charge of technological policy research for Coastal Area Management, Port & Harbor and Airport. They received the orientation of basic policy in the field and observed experimental equipments and facilities operated by NILIM and PARI (Port and Airport Research Institute).

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