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[Taguig Mayor during tour of Yokohama wastewater treatment plant]

## Slovenia Ambassador visits Yokohama

H.E. Ms. Simona Leskovar,  
Ambassador Extraordinary and  
Plenipotentiary of the Republic of  
Slovenia to Japan, visited Yokohama  
and met with Mayor Hayashi on June  
16.



The Ambassador and Mayor discussed  
the connections between Slovenia and  
Yokohama, such as sports, as when  
Slovene athlete Alen Kobilica finished  
fourth in Yokohama's Paratriathlon  
Series event in May. They also  
exchanged views on Slovenia's women  
empowerment initiatives that have  
produced the smallest gender pay gap  
of all OECD member countries.



## Taguig Mayor observes Yokohama water reclamation, treatment facilities

Mayor Lani Cayetano of Taguig City in  
the Metro Manila region of the  
Philippines visited Yokohama on June  
7.

The Mayor, who had expressed interest  
in Yokohama's water reclamation  
systems, toured the Hokobu No. 2  
Wastewater Treatment Plant and the  
Hokobu Sludge Treatment Center in  
Tsurumi Ward and received  
explanations of the facilities and  
wastewater treatment methods. During  
the tour, the mayor revealed her keen  
enthusiasm at the means employed to  
make an effective use of energy, such  
as the reuse of heat and water created  
through the treatment process.



Afterwards, Deputy Mayor Watanabe  
received Mayor Lani Cayetano to  
discuss ongoing exchange and  
collaboration between Yokohama and  
Taguig.

## 19th Y-PORT Workshop held - ADB, other initiatives introduced

The 19th Yokohama Partnership of  
Resources and Technologies (Y-PORT)  
Workshop, with the theme of  
"Introducing New Initiatives for  
International Technical Cooperation"  
was held on May 30.

This workshop welcomed the  
representatives from the Asia  
Development Bank (ADB) to speak  
about the ADB's efforts to promote  
investment in infrastructure and its new  
inter-city support programs. Speakers  
also introduced the formation and  
purpose of the Yokohama Urban  
Solution Alliance (YUSA), comprised  
of volunteers from enterprises in  
Yokohama.

Attendees from various companies  
based in Yokohama, 69 in total,  
attended the conference, which also  
gave the attendees and speakers a  
platform to discuss issues and network.



More information about Y-PORT  
Workshops can be found on the  
International Affairs Bureau  
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