## KaWaBiz NET held a "seminar regarding decentralised water/wastewater systems based on regional characteristics"

In response to a proposal from its members, Kawasaki Water Business Network (KaWaBiz NET) held a "seminar regarding decentralised water/wastewater systems based on regional characteristics" in Kawasaki City on February 15 (Friday), 2013. The seminar gathered 25 participants, including those from 13 member companies of KaWaBiz NET. It explored the feasibility of decentralised water/wastewater systems for improving the water environment in rural areas or urban development areas, which are difficult to cover with conventional large-scale centralized water supply/sewage treatment systems in terms of efficiency.

The seminar began with an introduction to decentralised water/wastewater systems by the organizer, followed by a lecture on JICA's possible support for such systems by the Office for Private Sector Partnership of JICA(Japan International Cooperation Agency). Then, three member companies of KaWaBiz NET engaged in the business of decentralised water/wastewater systems made presentations on their products and overseas business activities. The organizer also reported the results of a related needs assessment survey conducted in the State of Queensland, Australia, by KaWaBiz NET between February 4 and 8. Participants drew attention to every lecture and presentations. After the end of the seminar, the participants, including those from the member companies, exchanged their opinions regarding the feasibility of decentralised water/wastewater systems.

KaWaBiz NET will establish a working group on the formation of decentralised water/wastewater system projects for contributing to the improvement of the global water environment through water business.



Lecture by the Office for the Private Sector Partnership of JICA



Presentation by Teijin Limited



Presentation by Nihon Genryo Co., Ltd.



Presentation by Nippon Basic Co., Ltd.



Organizer's report of the survey conducted in the State of Queensland, Australia



 $\mathbf{Q}$  & A among the participants

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