



The First Student's Meeting of Leading Graduate Schools

DATE:
26th to 27th October, 2013

Organizer:
Hyogo University

Venue:
The Himeji and Nishi-Harima local industry center foundation

PARTICIPANTS:
61 students from 18
Leading Programs offered
in 17 different universities
across Japan



The inaugural meeting of leading graduate schools was organized and hosted by Hyogo University. With the aim of cultivating leadership skills among students across various disciplines, the meeting fostered an open “from student to student” rather than “from teacher to students” format of interaction and exchange of ideas. Students introduced their respective leading graduate programs and summarized curriculums. Key note lectures were delivered by a renowned leader and scientist, Dr. William Lee, a leading entrepreneur and a surface chemist in the field of nano/biotechnology. Dr. Lee shared his experiences along the journeys to establish renowned companies such as ICARES Medicus, Inc. (Taiwan), AST Product, Inc. (USA) and eMembrane, Inc. (USA) as founder and CEO.

Among the topics of discussion was defining a leader and the ingredients of effective leadership. Students also critically analyzed Japan’s shortfalls centering on system of education and governance.

For potential future leaders, participation in this meeting enriched us with basic leadership skills. The meeting was quite timely and of immense benefit, especially as we prepare to take on leadership in our areas of expertise.