

Celebrating the Grand Opening Ceremony of Our Iwakuni Office : A Step Toward the Future

We are pleased to announce the grand opening of our new office in Asahimachi, Iwakuni City, Yamaguchi Prefecture. The Grand Opening Ceremony, held on December 19, 2024, began with an impressive calligraphy performance by Mr. Sekidou Sakaguchi setting the celebratory tone for the event. The ceremony featured speeches from our company president and the mayor of Iwakuni City, followed by a ribbon-cutting ceremony, allowing us to mark the beginning of a new chapter in Iwakuni, together with the local community.



▲ Golden ribbons decorated the ribbon-cutting ceremony. From right to left: the Iwakuni city mayor, our president, and the head of our Iwakuni Office

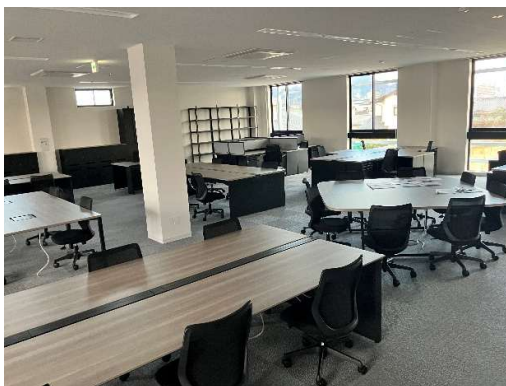


▲ Speech by Mayor Fukuda of Iwakuni City



▲ The word “感動” artistically integrates “AEC” and “Iwakuni”

Following the ceremony, an open house was held to showcase the new office’s features, designed to foster a comfortable, employee-friendly environment. A free-address system enables flexible working styles without assigned desks. The office also includes shower rooms, changing rooms, and a health room to support staff well-being. Additionally, universal design features, such as wheelchair-accessible elevators and restrooms, ensure a safe and inclusive workplace.



▲ The main office embraces a free-address system, prioritizing communication and operational efficiency.



▲ The café-style free space allows for relaxed meetings and productive work sessions.

■ Message from the President -From the speech of the ceremony-



Mr. Kenneth Mark Exterstein; President

■ Thanks to everyone's support, we've completed a remarkable new office. With this milestone, we aim to further contribute to job creation in Iwakuni City and expand to a workforce of approximately 100 employees in 2025.

Located conveniently near Kintaikyo Airport and Iwakuni Base, the new office offers an environment where employees can work freely and comfortably.

■ Employee Impressions

Q 1 What's your impression of the new office?

■ A bright, welcoming and well-organized place that promotes the comfort and sense of belonging of employees. Has a positive effect on well-being and personal satisfaction in achieving results. A dynamic workplace!



Mr. Colonna; Construction

Q 2 What kind of work style do you hope for in the new office?

■ "I was really excited to see what the new office would be like, and when I finally stepped inside, I was blown away by how spacious it is. There are various-sized meeting rooms, a kitchen area, multiple restrooms (laughs), a large workspace, and even a free space—it made me even more excited to work here. I'm especially looking forward to having lunch in the free space and building connections with colleagues while enjoying the relaxed atmosphere."



Ms. Goto; Construction

■ AEC's Commitment to a Sustainable Future

AEC is registered as an "Okinawa SDGs Partner" and certified as an "Okinawa human resource development enterprise authentication system". The establishment of the Iwakuni Office is not only a step toward improving employee work environments but also contributes to creating local employment in Iwakuni City and advancing a sustainable society. In collaboration with local communities and regions, including our headquarters in Okinawa, we will continue addressing challenges in the construction industry.