

**2022 AOTS Online Program [KROP17]
<Kaizen Marathon Series>
Innovative Approach for "Cost & Environmental Burden
Reduction" from Japan (MFCA)**

Organized by The Association for Overseas Technical Cooperation and Sustainable Partnerships (AOTS)
Collaborated by AOTS Alumni Societies

BACKGROUND

The Association for Overseas Technical Cooperation and Sustainable Partnerships (AOTS) is an organization for human resources development mainly in overseas countries to promote technical cooperation through training, experts dispatch and other programs. Through those programs, we aim at contributing to the mutual economic growth of developing countries and Japan as well as enhancing friendly relations among those countries.

AOTS Online Program "Innovative Cost & Environmental Burden Reduction Approach from Japan (MFCA)", is a program suitable for Kaizen (Continuous Improvement) activity team leaders or managers who would like to develop their Kaizen activities in the way that they can achieve the cost reduction or who think that their present Kaizen activities do not result in the cost reduction. And also suitable for those who have plans for future efforts to learn how to carry out Kaizen activities.

*Although this webinar will be implemented as a sequel to "For continuous 5S and Kaizen that you can successively develop ---Challenge to Kaizen Marathon---" held in November and December 2022, it is also possible to participate only in this webinar.

OUTLINE

The economic shock caused by the global epidemic of the new coronavirus infection is still significant, and developing countries need to improve the productivity of their companies in order to survive the headwinds of the coronavirus.

Kaizen activities are one of the effective means for improving corporate productivity, but in order to further improve productivity, along with continuous Kaizen activities that form the basis, furthermore, Kaizen activities from a new perspective of reducing overlooked losses and cost reduction are inevitable. Therefore, this webinar is designed for managers who want to gain the approval and understanding of the top management in the development of Kaizen activities, and team leaders who motivate team members to promote Kaizen activities to learn about the concept and practices of the Material Flow Cost Accounting/ Analysis (MFCA), an innovative cost reduction approach as a low cost Kaizen method.

OBJECTIVES

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- 1) To learn the outline and practical examples of MFCA and understand the significance of MFCA.
- 2) To understand that "visualization" of "mottainai" (loss that is overlooked) leads to cost reduction.
- 3) To understand that MFCA can be applied to reduce the participants' companies' own costs.

DATE AND TIME

DAY 1: Tuesday, 17 January 2023, 4:00-7:00PM (Japan)

DAY 2: Wednesday, 18 January 2023, 4:00-7:00PM (Japan)

*Please check the webinar start time in your country with **[Table 1] TIME DIFFERENCE WITH JAPAN IN THE TARGET ZONE** or ask it to the AOTS Alumni Society in the leaflet.

TARGET COUNTRIES

In principle, Developing Countries in Southeast Asia, Oceania, Mongolia, South Asia, Central Asia, Middle East, Europe and Africa.

*Please refer to **[Table 2] LIST OF TARGET COUNTRIES** for details.

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

40 participants in total

TARGET PARTICIPANTS

In principle, managers, supervisors (in principle) in target countries.

[Basic Requirements for Participants]

In order to participate in the management training, the following conditions must be satisfied, in addition to the work experience and position requirements specified for each program.

- a) Participants should live and work in target countries. Japanese is NOT applicable.
- b) Participants should belong to either corporation or organization.
- c) Participants should be 20 years old and over.
- d) Participants should have enough English language ability so as to be able to understand the program content.
- e) Participants should not be armed forces personnel.
- f) Participants should not be students.
- g) Participants should not be consultants.

Notes:

- 1) In the case of applications from other than Japanese-affiliated companies or local companies that hold local capital, the priority for selection becomes lower.
- 2) This training is mainly aimed at the people working in the companies/organizations in the private sector, so those who belong to national or local government agencies are not eligible to participate.

THEME OF THE WEBINAR

1. Overview of MFCA
2. Realization of both cost reduction & environmental burden
3. Practice case of MFCA in Japan
4. Focus points for loss reduction
5. Exercises

LECTURER

Mr. Tatsuhiko Tomii



**Managing Director, One Asia Consulting Co., Ltd.
Accredited Management Consultant by JPC.**

Holding more than 120 workshops & seminars (approximately 3,300 participants) in mainly Asian countries since April 2011, he is active in Japan, Vietnam, India, Thailand, Malaysia, Philippines and Egypt as a consultant on matters such as MFCA, production improvement and human resource development.

LANGUAGE

The webinar will be conducted in **English**. The lecture material will be prepared in **English**.

PARTICIPATION FEE

60USD This webinar will be implemented with the subsidy from the Japanese Government and sponsored by **Federation of Southeast Asian AOTS Alumni Societies (FOSAAS), AOTS Alumni Society of Mongolia, South Asia Federation of AOTS Alumni Societies (SAFAAS), European Federation of AOTS Alumni Societies (EFAAS), and African Federation of AOTS Alumni Societies (AFAAS)**.

HOW TO APPLY

Send an attached application form by email to the person in charge of the AOTS Alumni Society in the leaflet by the application deadline. After the deadline of AOTS Japan, AOTS will screen the applicants and select the participants, who will be notified from the AOTS Alumni Society by email. If no AOTS Alumni Society exists in your country (region), please apply through the AOTS Alumni Society in your nearest area.

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APPLICATION DEADLINE

Thursday 1 December 2022 (Japan Time)

*After the deadline, the applicants will be notified as to whether you are accepted or not by e-mail from the Alumni Society in your area.

ONLINE TOOL

Zoom Meeting

*When selected as a participant, you will receive an invitation email. Please register for the Meeting by clicking on the link in the email.

*After registration, a registrant will receive another email including the button to participate in the Meeting. On the day of the Meeting, just click this button.

*Invitation emails will be sent to all the approved participants. If you do not receive an email, please contact AOTS Alumni Society/Association you applied for.

*Participants are requested to install the application of Zoom Meetings in his/her PC beforehand for smooth participation in the meeting. Be sure to check the version of the app and keep it in the latest version. You can test a video meeting from your device: <http://zoom.us/test>

*We are planning discussions and presentations from participants in the program. We recommend that you join from a PC instead of a smartphone. Also, please prepare a device equipped with a microphone and a webcam.

NOTES

- ◇ AOTS certificates will be awarded to participants who meet the criteria.
- ◇ We are planning discussions between participants, so please turn on your webcam when you participate.
- ◇ Personal information provided by the participants may be used to publicize other AOTS Training Programs and conduct questionnaires based on consent of the participants.
- ◇ Participants shall not reproduce, distribute, or alternate the lecture materials or film the webinar without prior permission from AOTS. Participants are asked to make a pledge not to commit any violation.
- ◇ In the event of an unavoidable accident (war, riot, labor dispute, earthquake, storm, fire, flood, epidemic, etc.) or network / equipment trouble, AOTS may cancel the implementation of the webinar.
- ◇ Do not transfer the meeting information (meeting link/number/password) given to the participants to anyone other than the participants without permission.
- ◇ AOTS will not be held responsible if it becomes difficult for participants to participate in or continue to participate in the webinar due to an unavoidable accident or network/equipment trouble.

INQUIRY

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[Table 1] TIME DIFFERENCE WITH JAPAN IN THE TARGET ZONE
 (Only countries with AOTS Alumni Societies are listed.)

Country (Region)	Time difference with JST
Mongolia (Ulaanbaatar)	JST - 01:00
Malaysia	JST - 01:00
Philippines	JST - 01:00
Cambodia	JST - 02:00
Indonesia (Jakarta)	JST - 02:00
Thailand	JST - 02:00
Viet Nam	JST - 02:00
Bangladesh	JST - 03:00
Nepal	JST - 03:15
India	JST - 03:30
Sri Lanka	JST - 03:30
Pakistan	JST - 04:00
Georgia	JST - 05:00
Iran	JST - 05:30
Ethiopia	JST - 06:00
Kenya	JST - 06:00
Tanzania	JST - 06:00
Turkey	JST - 06:00
Egypt	JST - 07:00
South Africa	JST - 07:00
Sudan	JST - 07:00
Zambia	JST - 07:00
Cameroon	JST - 08:00
Nigeria	JST - 08:00
North Macedonia	JST - 08:00
Ghana	JST - 09:00

[Table 2] LIST OF TARGET COUNTRIES

Applicants should be residing in the following countries.

Asia, Oceania (38)	Middle East (9)	Europe (10)	Africa (54)	
Afghanistan	Armenia	Albania	Algeria	Liberia
Bhutan	Azerbaijan	Belarus	Angola	Libya
India	Georgia	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Benin	Madagascar
Iran*	Iraq	Kosovo	Botswana	Malawi
Kazakhstan	Jordan	Moldova	Burkina Faso	Mali
Kyrgyzstan	Lebanon	Montenegro	Burundi	Mauritania
Maldives	Palestine	North Macedonia	Cabo Verde	Mauritius
Nepal	Syria	Serbia	Cameroon	Morocco
Pakistan	Yemen	Turkey	Central African Rep.	Mozambique
Sri Lanka		Ukraine	Chad	Namibia
Tajikistan			Comoros	Niger
Turkmenistan			Congo	Nigeria
Uzbekistan			Congo, Dem. Rep.	Rwanda
Bangladesh			Côte d'Ivoire	Sao Tome and Principe
Cambodia			Djibouti	Senegal
Indonesia			Egypt	Sierra Leone
Laos			Equatorial Guinea	Somalia
Malaysia			Eritrea	South Africa
Mongolia			Eswatini	South Sudan
Philippines			Ethiopia	St. Helena
Thailand			Gabon	Sudan
Timor-Leste			Gambia	Tanzania
Viet Nam			Ghana	Togo
Fiji			Guinea	Tunisia
Kiribati			Guinea-Bissau	Uganda
Marshall			Kenya	Zambia
Micronesia			Lesotho	Zimbabwe
Nauru				
Niue				
Palau				
Papua New Guinea				
Samoa				
Solomon				
Tokelau				
Tonga				

Tuvalu				
Vanuatu				
Wallis and Futuna				

*Iran is a member of South Asia Federation of AOTS Alumni Societies (SAFAAS) and is classified as Asia not Middle East.

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