

H.E. Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ethiopia, met with Mr. Hiroyuki Ishige, Chairman and CEO of JETRO, and signed a MOU on the Establishment of JETRO Addis Ababa Office

On 18 December 2015, Mr. Hiroyuki Ishige, Chairman and CEO, the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO), had a meeting with H.E. Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ethiopia, during his visit to Japan.

On 26 September 2015, H.E. Mr. Shinzo Abe, Prime Minister of Japan, conveyed to H.E. Ato Hailemariam Desalegn, Prime Minister of Ethiopia, a message that JETRO decided to establish its office in Addis Ababa. At the meeting between Dr. Tedros and Mr. Ishige on 18 December, they signed a Memorandum of Understanding on the Establishment of JETRO Headquarters in Ethiopia.

JETRO is a government-related organization working to promote mutual trade and investment between Japan and the rest of the world. At the Fifth Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD V) in June 2013, JETRO had announced its plan to double the number of offices in Africa.

JETRO has extensive experience in attracting Japanese companies to industrial zones of India, Bangladesh and Myanmar, and therefore, an excellent contribution in promoting Foreign Direct Investment is expected.

There are around 33,000 Japanese companies engaged in export. Among them, 15.200 companies, or 46%, make use of JETRO services. There are around 4,500 Japanese companies with a corporate presence overseas. Among them, about 3,650 companies, or 81%, utilize JETRO services.

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