The Honda Foundation Hosts Eco-Technology Workshop 2005, Ho Chi Minh City on November 5

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Honda Foundation (HOF: Hiromori Kawashima president, Soichiro Honda founder) will host an international conference, the Honda Foundation Eco-Technology Workshop 2005, Ho Chi Minh City, on November 5, 2005. A sequel to the successful International Symposium 2005 Hanoi in February, this workshop will maintain its focus on eco-technology and "Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Link-up Implementations for Developing Countries" to deepen discussion and exchange of insights and opinions. This time researchers and experts from India will join those from Vietnam and Japan.

Co-organizers include HOF, the National Institute for Science and Technology Policy and Strategy Studies (NISTPASS) of Vietnam, and the Saigon High-Tech Park (SHTP) which Ho Chi Minh City developed with government assistance. The workshop is co-sponsored by Minh Tran Corporation which provides as a venue the Minh Tran Garden, a Vietnamese-style garden full of reconstructed historic architectures from all over Vietnam. Minh Tran Corp's president Dr. Nguyen Tri Dung is an entrepreneur himself who expands his businesses on intrinsic Vietnam skills and technologies. He has translated Soichiro Honda's autobiography and plans to publish its Vietnamese edition.

Since its inception, HOF has hosted a number of international conferences where researchers and experts from different countries freely exchange their experiences and ideas to learn from each other. HOF features the eco-technology concept again because it is particularly important for fast-growing Vietnam and other Asian countries to think of creative ideas to use science and technology in a more people-friendly, environmentally-benign fashion for their socio-economic progress.

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