

## JILPT Research Activities

The Japan Institute for Labour Policy and Training (JILPT) projects studying some 40 themes during FY2004 (April 2004 to March 2005). As already mentioned in the first volume of the *Japan Labor Review*, the core of our research will be the nine Research Projects slated to be completed before March 2007. We also plan to launch Individual Research Studies in which individuals or groups undertake research on a certain subject over the period of a year.

In addition, the Institute organizes *Labour Policy Forums* to present to the public the results of our research, and the Seminar to facilitate discussion on research. Information and reports on these events are available on the JILPT website. Unfortunately, the information is only available in Japanese at present, with the exception of some events that include foreign participation.

### **January-March Schedule for Major *Labour Policy Forums***

1. *Labour Policy Forum*: “Examining Procedures for Resolving Individual Labor Disputes, Based on the Report of the Study Group on Judicial Arbitration System for Labor Disputes” (January 14)
2. *Labour Policy Forum*: “From School Education to Profession: The Development of Employment Assistance Policies for Young People in Europe and North America” (February 19)
3. International Workshop: “International Migration and Labor Markets in Asia” (February 5-6)
4. 10th Japan-EU Symposium: “Labor Relations and Change” (February 10)
5. *Labour Policy Forum*: “Employment Strategies in Developed Nations: Policy Shift from a Focus on Welfare to a Focus on Employment” (February 26)
6. International Symposium: “What We Can Learn from the Situation of Home-based Work in Europe and North America” (March 5)
7. International Comparative Labour Law Seminar: “Mechanisms for Determining Working Conditions and the Notion of Employees” (March 9-10)
8. International Symposium: “Hollowing Out of Industry and Regional Employment (March 26)

## Research Reports

Research conducted by the JILPT (including that conducted by the Japan Institute of Labour, predecessor of the JILPT) is published in the form of *Research Reports*. These reports are published in Japanese only, but English summary translations of some recent issues are available on our website.

### Research Reports Available on the Web in English

1. No.150, *Formation of Labor Unions and Responses to Management Crises: Industrial Relations in the Late 1990s*, October 2002
2. No.151, *Research on a New Occupational Information Network that is Designed to Place the Right Person in the Right Job*, January 2003
3. No.152, *Research on Annual Paid Holidays*, December 2002
4. No.153, *Issues Related to the Work and Roles of Home Helpers*, March 2003
5. No.154, *From School to Workplace: Current Status and Problems of Employment of High School Graduates*, March 2003
6. No.155, *International Comparative Study Regarding Protection of Workers' Personal Information and Access to Employment/Labor Information*, May 2003
7. No.156, *Study on Work Assistance for Single Mothers*, August 2003
8. No.157, *The Child-care Leave System*, July 2003
9. No.158, *Diverse Working Situations among Workers of Non-standard Employment Types*, July 2003
10. No.159, *Legal Status of Home Workers as Employees and as Self-employed*, September 2003
11. No.160, *Considering Practical Labor Policy Evaluation and its Methods*, September 2003
12. No.161, *Developing a Base Measure for the Diagnosis and Activation of Organization*, September 2003
13. No.162, *Higher Education and Work: Comparison between Japan and the Netherlands*, September 2003
14. No.163, *IT Development and the Change in Employment and Personnel Management*, September 2003

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