International Workshop

The Japan Institute for Labour Policy and Training (JILPT), the Chinese Academy of Labour and Social Security (CALSS) and the Korea Labor Institute (KLI) held a research forum on the theme “Employment Problems and Policy Countermeasures in Industrial Restructuring and Upgrading” on November 19, 2015, in Beijing, China. The three institutes hold a forum annually to address themes that are shared by China, Korea, and Japan in the field of labor policy. At the forum, they present their research results with the aim of promoting mutual understanding among the three countries and raising the standards of research. This was the thirteenth forum held with the collaboration of the three research institutes. The Japanese texts of the research papers presented at the forum can be accessed via the JILPT website (http://www.jil.go.jp/institute/kokusai/index.htm).

Research Reports

The findings of research activities undertaken by JILPT are compiled into research reports in Japanese. Below is a list of the reports published since December 2015. The complete Japanese texts of these reports can be accessed via the JILPT website (http://www.jil.go.jp/institute/pamphlet/). English summaries of selected reports are also available on the JILPT website (http://www.jil.go.jp/english/reports/jilpt_01.html).

Research Reports
No.181 Survey of Users of the Job-Seekers’ Support System: Investigation through a Three-Part Longitudinal Study Consisting of Pre-Training, Post-Training, and Follow-Up Surveys (December 2015)

Research Series
No.147 Questionnaire Survey on the Job-Seekers’ Benefit for Older Job Seekers (February 2016)

Research Material Series
No.164 Interview Survey on Balancing Working Life with the Treatment of Health Conditions Including Mental Health Issues and Non-Work Related Illnesses or Injuries (December 2015)


In February 2016, JILPT published a booklet entitled “Japanese Working Life Profile 2015/2016—Labor Statistics.” This booklet contains selected labor statistics to present a profile of Japanese workers from various perspectives. It covers basic statistical data to give a whole picture of the Japanese labor situation, including indices for the economic environment,
employment situation, working conditions, family life and social security policy. It also provides statistics on various topics dealing with current labor issues in Japan, such as the employment of elderly workers, the increasing numbers of non-regular workers, foreign workers and labor migration, the diversification of working styles, and changing labor-management relations. The complete English text can be accessed via the JILPT website (http://www.jil.go.jp/english/jwl/index.html).


In March 2016, JILPT published “Labor Situation in Japan and Its Analysis: General Overview 2015/2016,” a compilation of write-ups in English by JILPT researchers describing individual themes related to the current status of labor issues in Japan. The contents of this publication are as follows. The complete English text can be accessed via the JILPT website (http://www.jil.go.jp/english/lsj/index.html).

I. Japanese Economy and Labor Situation
II. Labor Market
III. Human Resource Management
IV. Labor-Management Relations
V. Labor Administration and Legislation
VI. Social Security System