

Kawasaki Robot e- News is an electronic bimonthly newsletter that provides our customers with useful information on robotics.





Happy New Year!

The global economy is now on a smooth trajectory towards growth, the strength of the yen has been softened, and the Japanese government is taking measures to stimulate the economy and relax regulations. We would like to make the most use of these opportunities to put the robotics industry onto a path for further growth.

China and Southeast Asia are expected to be the global economy's core engines of growth. In light of this, preparations are now in full-gear for the commencement of manufacturing operations in China from next April. Medicaroid Corporation, which was established last October, plans to create robots for medical-use. It is expected that robots such as these will see an increasing rise in demand worldwide. The company also carries out marketing activities to construct the development, sales and manufacturing systems of the future.

Kawasaki Robot shall keep challenging. We would greatly appreciate your continuing support into the future.

(Yasuhiko Hashimoto, General Manager of the Robot Division, Executive Officer, Kawasaki Heavy Industries)

Report: International Robot Exhibition 2013

The International Robot Exhibition 2013 was held at Tokyo Big Sight from November 6 (Wed.) to November 9 (Sat.). Over a four day period more than 100,000 visitors came to the venue. We were grateful that many of these visitors

stopped by our booth.

We took part in a lot of interviews from the media, which were aired and reported on TV and other mediums. Perhaps you saw us in one of the reports. We could definitely feel the excitement toward our ever-evolving robots.

This time at the exhibition, we recreated an actual manufacturing line, similar to the ones used in industry, with 68 robots installed. We showed onlookers how robots are used in real production lines. This included the assembly and painting of a vehicle body, the precision assembly of electric and electronic components, and the transport of high-speed picking and palletizing with Vision system. We also displayed a robot specialized for medical and pharmaceutical-use. We had a hands-on experience corner, where visitors were able to get close to the newest robotic technologies. Showcases included the remote operation of a robot with a 3D mouse, human-collaborative robots, automated robot teaching system, and off-line simulation software.

We had a huge variety of visitors from all walks of life, including a broad-range of professionals, members of the general public, students, and children. We received very positive feedback, with many saying that it was great to see robots really in action on the production line, allowing them to imagine how robots would actually be able to participate in the workplace. We hope to continue to produce more quality exhibitions moving into the future, so please keep an eye out.





Relocation of the Kansai Robot Service Center

The Kansai Robot Service Center was relocated last November; the new address is listed below. We would like to take this opportunity to integrate office and

factory operations, and to enhance the quality of our customer service and maintenance constructions. Our 24-hour help desk also has a new number, which is listed below.

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