



01 **Topic** NITech made “IKUBOSU declaration” firstly In Universities in Aichi

On May 30th, in order to show our philosophy of diversity promotion concretely and practically, NITech made “NITech IKUBOSU declaration” in advance of the rest of Universities in Aichi prefecture.

As a representative of the Promotion Committee of Diversity and Inclusion, which is comprised of executives, faculties and managers, President Ukai signed the declaration.

Promoting a friendly working environment which considers employees' a work-life balance leads to the creation of innovation. In addition to this, as a mission of an educational institution, NITech aims to reflect the spirits of IKUBOSU to our education and extend it to the industry and region.



<What is IKUBOSU?>

IKUBOSU means those who are in a management level position and considering about the work-life balance of their staff. Also those who are able to produce significant performance at work and to enjoy their own private lives as well.

02 Topic

NITech AI Research Center holds Kickoff meeting

On May 11th (Fri.), NITech AI research center kick off meeting was held in the Building 4 and NITech Hall.

The center was established on April 1st and aiming to realize an innovation hub by AI research for the society and pursue the advanced and innovative intellectual calculation skill. It also aims to contribute to the various kinds of industry and region, to develop academia and industry globally, and to foster human resources regarding AI technology.

In the symposium, speeches were held by internationally renowned AI researchers, applied AI practitioners and subsequently faculties in the center made presentations.



03 Topic

Briefing Session and Demonstration held on latest “Mei & Takumi”

On June 5th (Tue.), briefing session and demonstration was held on the latest digital signage “Mei & Takumi”.

This digital signage was developed by our research group represented by Prof. Keiichi TOKUDA, which was accomplished by accumulation of the technology from the Speech and Language Processing Laboratory and the Information Technology Center.

Prof. TOKUDA explained the new concept to of participants from the press such as TV stations. Then they moved to the front gate and the demonstration by Mei & Takumi was conducted.

Mei & Takumi instantly being switched their positions on the board, cheers went up from participants who wished the new development of the technology.



04 Topic

ROBOKON KOBO participates in NHK Student ROBOKON 2018

NITech ROBOKON KOBO participated in NHK Student ROBOKON 2018 which was held in the Ota-Ward General Gymnasium in Tokyo on June 10th (Sun.).

This competition was inspired from “Nem Kon”, which was a traditional activity in northern part of Vietnam wishing a huge harvest and throwing a shuttlecock into a ring set up 15 meters high. Robots challenged this “Nem Kon”.

In an elimination round, NITech team won Kanazawa Institute of Technology and Suzuka College of Technology. In the final round, the team staged an exciting game with Mie University, however, lost by a hair.

