

News Release

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Akebono Brake Personnel Changes

TOKYO – Akebono Brake Industry Co., Ltd. announced the following personnel changes to take effect January 1st, 2015.

Personnel changes at the level of General Manager and above are as follows:

Personnel changes at the level of Executive Officer and above effective January 1, 2015

Name	New responsibilities	Former responsibilities	Continuing responsibilities
Yoshimasa Ogino	In-charge, North American Operations	In-charge, Asian Operations	Representative Director & Member of the Board Executive Vice President Assistant to the President & CEO Officer-in-charge, Planning & Administration In-charge, Japan Operations Chairman, Akebono Brake Corporation Chairman, Akebono Europe S.A.S.
Takeshi Saito		In-charge, North American Operations	Member of the Board Senior Managing Executive Officer President & CEO, Akebono Brake Corporation
Kanji Miyajima	In-charge, Administration	Assisting Officer-in-charge, Planning & Administration (In-charge, Administration)	Member of the Board Senior Managing Executive Officer CFO
Yuji Ando	In-charge, Planning & Purchasing In-charge, European Operations	Assisting Officer-in-charge, Planning & Administration (In-charge, Planning & Purchasing) Head of the Purchasing Division In-charge, Corporate Communications General Manager, Cost Planning Department	Senior Managing Executive Officer
Katsuji Hidaka	In-charge, APS		Senior Managing Executive Officer Officer-in-charge, Manufacturing Head of the Manufacturing Division Head of the Production Engineering Division
Seiki Takahashi	Head of the Aftermarket Sales Division	Assisting Officer-in-charge, Planning & Administration	Managing Executive Officer
Masahiro Miyamoto	In-charge, Legal & General Affairs	In-charge, General Affairs	Managing Executive Officer In-charge, Cooperative Associations
Yoichi Shinagawa		In-charge, Advanced Brake Business Unit	Managing Executive Officer Head of the Quality Assurance Division
Seiji Nishimura		Assisting Officer-in-charge, R&D	Managing Executive Officer Head of the R&D Division
Jean de Montlaur		In-charge, European Operations	Managing Executive Officer CEO, Akebono Europe S.A.S. Managing Director, Akebono Europe GmbH
Yoshihiko Fujimoto	In-charge, Global Human Resources	Assisting Officer-in-charge, Planning & Administration (In-charge, Global Human Resources)	Managing Executive Officer In-charge, Compliance
Toshiyuki Negishi	Head of the HE/HP Development Division	Assisting Officer-in-charge, R&D (In-charge, AAE ,VSET)	Managing Executive Officer Managing Director, Akebono Advanced Engineering (UK) Ltd.
Masaaki Ando	General Manager, Cost Planning Office	EVP, Akebono Brake Corporation	Executive Officer
Akira Hosoya	General Manager, APS Department	Assistant Head of the Manufacturing Division	Executive Officer
Peter Schmitz	Project Manager	Project Manager, CFT1 Project	Executive Officer
Tomokazu Hamada	Overall Coordination of Asian Operations		Executive Officer Head of the Automotive Sales Division
Kiyoshi Tanaka	Executive Officer		Assistant Head of the Automotive Sales Division General Manager, Planning & Administration Department, Automotive Sales Division
Sachiyuki Ishige	Advisor / Assistant to the President & CEO	Advisor	President & Representative Director, Akebono Brake Industrial Machinery & Rolling Stock Component Sales Co., Ltd. In-charge, Special Assignment (Aftermarket Sales Development)

Personnel changes at the level of General Manager effective January 1, 2015

Name	New responsibilities	Former responsibilities	Continuing responsibilities
Tadasuke Fujiwara	General Manager, Automotive Sales Department No.1, Automotive Sales Division	General Manager, Technical Program Management, R&D Division	
Kokichi Kondo	General Manager, Automotive Sales Department No.2, Automotive Sales Division	General Manager, Automotive Sales Department No.3, Automotive Sales Division	
Takeshi Kashimura	General Manager, Automotive Sales Department No.3, Automotive Sales Division	General Manager, Automotive Sales Department No.2, Automotive Sales Division Project Leader, CFT Project2, Automotive Sales Department No.2, Automotive Sales Division	
Shinji Aoyagi	General Manager, Automotive Sales Department No.4, Automotive Sales Division	Senior Manager, Planning & Administration Department, Automotive Sales Division	
Naoto Tanaka	General Manager, Global Automotive Sales Department, Automotive Sales Division	Sales Director, Akebono Europe S.A.S.	
Tadahiro Mita	Project Leader, Global R&D System Project, R&D Division	General Manager, Product Planning Department, R&D Division	
Toshitaka Izumihara	General Manager, NVH Engineering, R&D Division	Senior Manager, R&D Division	
Akihiko Sekiguchi	General Manager, Foundation Brake Engineering, R&D Division	Project Leader, Special Assignment Project	
Osamu Nakajima	General Manager, Friction Material Engineering, R&D Division	Assistant General Manager, Friction Material Application Development Department, R&D Division	
Katsuji Seki	General Manager, Elemental Technology Engineering, R&D Division	Project Leader, Elemental Technology Project, R&D Division	
Yutaka Nishikawa	General Manager, VSET1, Head of the HE/HP Development Division	Assistant-in-charge, VSET, R&D Division	Senior Expert
Hirobumi Niibori	General Manager, VSET2, Head of the HE/HP Development Division	Project Leader, Project4, CFT Project	
Michio Hoshino	General Manager, Monozukuri Center	In-charge, Monozukuri Center, Manufacturing Division	In-charge, Special Assignment
Masashi Kaneko	General Manager, APS Implementation Office	General Manager, APS Implementation Office, Manufacturing Division	President & Representative Director, APS Co., Ltd.
Kazuhiko Seko	General Manager, Global Manufacturing Planning Department, Manufacturing Division	COO, Akebono Corporation (Guangzhou) Chairman, Akebono Corporation (Guangzhou) Member of the Board, Akebono Corporation (Suzhou)	
Hiroshi Hojo	General Manager, Safety Implementation Office, Manufacturing Division	Senior Manager, Manufacturing Division	
Yosuke Yano	General Manager, Unprofitable Business Amelioration Office, Manufacturing Division	General Manager, CATI Implementation Office, Manufacturing Division	
Kazunari Wakabayashi	General Manager, Casting Production Engineering Department, Production Engineering Division	Project Leader, Aluminum Casting Project, Production Engineering Division	
Masami Nagasaki	Acting Head of the Purchasing Division	Assistant Head of the Purchasing Division General Manager, Purchasing Planning Department, Purchasing Division	

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Hiroshi Murakami	General Manager, Overseas Logistics Department	General Manager, Logistical Innovations Implementation Office	Member of the Board, Alocs Corporation
Kenji Suzuki	General Manager, A&M Promotion Office	Plant Manager, Tatebayashi Foundry, Manufacturing Division	
Kentaro Kosugi	General Manager, Project Management Office	Assisting Officer-in-charge, Sales Assistant Project Leader, CFT Project4, CFT Project	
Takao Watanabe	General Manager, Legal & General Affairs Department	General Manager, Legal & Intellectual Property Department	Senior Manager, HR Department
Yoshihito Sano	General Manager, IT Services Department	Senior Manager, IT Services Department	
Yukio Murata	COO, Akebono Corporation (Guangzhou) Chairman, Akebono Corporation (Guangzhou) Member of the Board, Akebono Corporation (Suzhou)	General Manager, Akebono Corporation (Guangzhou)	
Shichiro Kuroba	President & Representative Director, Akebono Brake Iwatsuki Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	President & Representative Director, Akebono Brake Sanyo Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	
Mitsuyoshi Kawahara	President & Representative Director, Akebono Brake Sanyo Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	President & Representative Director, Akebono Brake Iwatsuki Manufacturing Co., Ltd. In-charge, Tatebayashi Foundry, Manufacturing Division	
Fuyuki Sekine	General Manager, HP Production Management Office, Akebono Brake Iwatsuki Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	Section Manager, HP/HE Manufacturing Promotion Office, Manufacturing Implementation Department, Manufacturing Division	
Yuji Fukushima	General Manager, Akebono Fresh Center	General Manager, General Affairs Department	
Kiyoshi Anzai	Executive Advisor OE Sales, Akebono Brake Corporation	Senior Manager, Advanced Brake Business Unit	
Takashi Matsumoto	Executive Advisor R&D, Akebono Brake Corporation	General Manager, Testing & Analysis Department, R&D Division	
Hirofumi Uki	Senior Consulting Manager, Akebono Brake Slovakia s.r.o.	Project Leader, European Plant Project, Manufacturing Division	
Shinjiro Masuko	Principal Engineer, Akebono Europe GmbH	Principal Engineer, Akebono Advanced Engineering (UK) Ltd.	
Hironori Akada	General Manager, Electric Brake Engineering, R&D Division	Acting General Manager, Electric Brake Engineering, R&D Division	
Akihiro Nakata	General Manager, Production Control Department, Akebono Brake Iwatsuki Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	Acting General Manager, Administration Department, Akebono Brake Iwatsuki Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	
Junichi Saito	General Manager, Finance Department	Acting General Manager, Finance Department	