

## News Release

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### **Akebono Brake Personnel Changes**

TOKYO – Akebono Brake Industry Co., Ltd. announced the following personnel changes to take effect on October 1, 2016.

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

Personnel changes at the level of General Manager effective October 1, 2016

Name	New responsibilities	Former responsibilities	Continuing responsibilities
Hiroshi Idei	Head of the Advanced Research & Development Group		President, Akebono Research & Development Centre Ltd. Member of the Board, Akebono Advanced Engineering Co., Ltd
Toshifumi Maehara	Assistant Head of the Advanced Research & Development Group		Technical Advisor In-charge, Special Assignment Project
Hiroaki Nakamura	Project Leader, Special Assignment Project 1, Advanced Research & Development Group	Project Leader, Special Assignment Project1	
Akihiro Hikichi	Project Leader, Special Assignment Project 2, Advanced Research & Development Group	Project Leader, Special Assignment Project2	Chief Engineer, Akebono Europe S.A.S.
Atsushi Ueno	General Manager, Advanced Friction Material Development, Advanced Research & Development Group	General Manager, R&D Planning, R&D Division	
Hironori Akada	General Manager, Electric Brake Engineering, Advanced Research & Development Group	General Manager, Electric Brake Engineering, R&D Division	
Kentaro Kosugi	Assistant Head of the Foundation Brake Business Unit (Planner)	Assistant Head of the Foundation Brake Business Unit	General Manager, Project Management Office General Manager, HP Project Management (Production in Japan), HP Business Unit
Masayoshi Kojima	Assistant Head of the Foundation Brake Business Unit (In-charge, Production Engineering)		Assistant Head of the Production Engineering Division General Manager, Brake System Production Engineering Department, Production Engineering Division
Akihiko Sekiguchi	General Manager, Foundation Brake Engineering, Foundation Brake Business Unit	General Manager, Foundation Brake Engineering, R&D Division	Assistant General Manager, Brake Component Engineering Department, AIMS Business Unit
Takayuki Watanabe	General Manager, Friction Material Engineering, Friction Business Unit	General Manager, Friction Material Engineering, R&D Division	
Yasutoshi Nobumoto	Head of the Friction Business Unit	Senior Consultant, Akebono Europe S.A.S.	
Takeshi Kashimura	Assistant Head of the Automotive Sales Division General Manager, Automotive Sales Department No.3, Automotive Sales Division	Senior Manager, Automotive Sales Division	
Hiroshi Tanuma	General Manager, New Sales Development Department, Aftermarket Business Unit General Manager, Aftermarket Sales Department No.2, Aftermarket Business Unit	General Manager, Aftermarket Sales Department No.2, Aftermarket Sales Division	
Tadahiro Mita	General Manager, R&D Planning, R&D Division		Assistant Head of the R&D Division Project Leader, Global R&D System Project
Toshitaka Izumihara	Assistant Head of the R&D Division		General Manager, Control and Analysis, R&D Division
Hiroshi Hojo	General Manager, Safety Implementation Department, Manufacturing Division	General Manager, Safety & Health Implementation Department	
Hiroshi Ogawa	Assistant Head of the Global Manufacturing Planning Division	Assistant to Manufacturing, Akebono Brake Corporation	