Tokyo to host 46th Annual Meeting of the International Continence Society in 2016

Tokyo was elected as the host city of the International Continence Society’s 2016 Annual Meeting, an event that TCVB has been actively seeking to bring to Tokyo. In the internet poll by Society members held at the end of last year, Tokyo received an overwhelming majority of 326 out of 431 votes.

Tokyo Convention & Visitor’s Bureau executive director Yasuyuki Matsumoto comments: “I am delighted that as a result of our bureau’s efforts working together with the organizer resulted in Tokyo winning the bid with such a resounding margin of votes. We will make every effort to support the hosting of the event so that people from all over the world can experience the hospitality of Tokyo.”

The 2016 Tokyo Annual Meeting is to be held at the Tokyo International Forum. Tokyo successfully hosted the 2012 Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank Group in which more than 10,000 people participated. The well-organized operation with attention to detail was extremely well-received by the international headquarters, demonstrating Tokyo’s presence as an ideal destination for important international meetings.

About the annual meeting of the ICS
The International Continence Society (headquartered in Bristol, UK) is an international society of various professionals involved in the field of incontinence and established for the development of treatments for incontinence. The Annual Meetings are international meetings hosted at different locations worldwide, of which the first was held in Exeter, the United Kingdom in 1971. The 46th Annual Meeting is expected to attract approximately 3,000 delegates from 70 countries worldwide.

Tokyo’s future plans for business events promotion
Tokyo Metropolitan Government has set a ‘5-year Tourism Plan’ starting from 2013 and is promoting business events as one of six main pillars of the plan. The plan will focus on meetings of associations and provides various support programs including subvention.

46th Annual Meeting of the International Continence Society
Date: September 11-16, 2016
Venue: Tokyo International Forum
Number of participants: approx. 3,000 expected
Hosted by: International Continence Society (ICS)