



## Outline

### ◆ Profile of Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry

**Founding:** August 1878

**Organization:** Comprehensive regional economic organization with membership consisting of all voluntary members

**Legal Status:**

Special legal corporate body in conformance with the Chamber of Commerce Law

**Branch:** 10 in Osaka City

**Membership:** 29,005 (as of April, 2010)

Corporate Members: 21,573

Individual Members: 6,595

Organizations/ Associations: 837

**Staff:** 228 (as of April, 2010)

**Budget:** Approx. 4.74 billion yen for fiscal 2010

### ◆ Mission of OCCI

Supported by respectable members of various scales with wide-ranging lines of business, the Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry (OCCI) represents the Osaka-Kansai region as a major economic organization. The mission of OCCI is to contribute to realization of a revitalized economic society, reconversion of industrial structure, enhancement of international competitiveness, renovated business management by member companies and creation of business opportunities. To fulfill this significant mission, we at OCCI take up a wide variety of activities and projects. For example, we carry out constructive representation and policy proposal activities as a leader of public opinion, for promotion of business and industry, reinvigoration of, and strengthened functions to attract visitors by cities, as well as invitation of investments. For nurturing growth industries involving bio-related ones, IT and nanotechnology and for creation of their markets, as well as for development of new technologies, OCCI promotes exchange activities among member companies of great variety and also positively acts as a bridge between industry and academia. OCCI also supports renovation of company management and expansion of business exchanges, through better business management, development of human resources, offering opportunities for international business talks and also offering one-stop support center's services to attract more foreign companies. Amid the rapid progress of globalization and megacompetition, OCCI continues to exert all endeavors, with "Opening up the Future of Osaka" as a motto, to largely contribute to the region and its businesses by developing activities ahead of the times with a global perspective.