

The Symposium in Kyoto on Education utilizing Advanced IT had about 600 participants and was successfully concluded. Thank you very much.

The "Symposium in Kyoto on Education utilizing Advanced IT" (organized by the Center for Educational Computing and co-organized by Kyoto Prefectural Government, Kyoto Prefectural Board of Education, Kyoto City, Kyoto City Board of Education,) was held on the whole floors of building No.3 in Fukakusa

Campus of Ryukoku Universityl from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2005.

First, a greeting was given from Mr. Tatsuoki Miyajima, the chairperson of CEC, as the organizer and another greeting was given from Ms. Tomoko Samura, the vice governor of Kyoto Prefecture, as the representative of the co-organizers. Also a greeting was given from the guest, Mr. Katsuhiko Kaji, Director, Information Services Industry Division, Commerce and Information Policy Bureau, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI).

Then, the program continued as follows: a keynote speech, presentation of cases of the consortium-style projects, presentation of cases of practices in schools, presentation by universities, presentation of practices of classes utilizing IT supported by companies, a panel discussion and exhibition by IT-related companies. About 600 education-related and business-related people in and out of Kyoto Prefecture participated and explored the results, tasks and future possibility of the education utilizing IT.



The hall for the main session.

Prof. Yutaka Saeki, Ph.D. of Aoyama Gakuin University kindly made a keynote speech on a theme, "What is the real academic achievement desired now?"

Following the presentation of about 30 cases of practicing utilization of advanced IT, the panel discussion was conducted with Prof. Kazuo Nagano as the MC and four members including university professors, an education administrative officer and a currently-working teacher as panelists, on a theme, "Solid Academic Capabilities cultivated and sensed by IT".



The panel discussion.



Presentation of the cases in schools.

In the other room, 12 companies made the presentation of the cases of practicing classes utilizing IT devices and systems supported by companies.

In the exhibition corner in the dining hall, IT devices and systems utilized for education of 27 companies were exhibited.



The exhibition corner.