

NEWS UPDATE

Partners for International Business in Japan

Start of the PIB Deeptech Japan Mission (Semiconductor Group)

Last December, we started the PIB Deeptech Japan Mission in Sendai. The visit was hosted by the Miyagi Prefectural Government and Mr. Satoshi Shimanuki. This was the first official PIB Deeptech activity in Japan.

Starting together in Sendai was important. It gave everyone time to meet, get to know each other, and align expectations. After this first moment together, the program continued with more focused sessions for companies and partners.

We also organized a seminar day with all PIB Cluster members, together with local Japanese semiconductor companies. After the seminar, we held a small business matchmaking session with individual booths. We ended the day by having dinner together, which was a nice moment to continue the conversations in a more informal setting.

What stood out was the open way people spoke with each other. There was a clear focus on working together and building something concrete. This visit again showed the strong connection between Japan and the Netherlands in deeptech and semiconductors.



SEMICON Japan (Semiconductor Group)

The week started with a well attended network reception at the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Japan residence. After that, we moved into the SEMICON Japan exhibition week. On Thursday evening, we had a dinner with all co exhibitors, organized by Oost NL and Provincie Noord Brabant. It was a good moment to connect in a relaxed setting.

SEMICON Japan was well organized this year. The program was clear and everything ran smoothly. This was possible because of the strong and dedicated team behind it.

During the three exhibition days, many one-on-one business meetings took place. These meetings were organized by Ito san. Throughout the week, Ogi san supported the pavilion and the team. This support was very important.

We had good discussions with leading companies in semiconductor equipment and materials. There is clear interest in the Dutch deeptech ecosystem, especially in semiconductors, photonics, and quantum. Several follow ups are already planned with our partners.



PIB week (Photonics & Quantum Group)

The PhotonDelta ecosystem was proudly represented in Japan during the recent deeptech mission, together with ecosystem partners Astrape and QuiX Quantum, as well as TU/e and the Province of North Brabant. The programme included visits to leading Japanese industry organisations, offering first-hand exposure across the semiconductor and photonics landscape.

The mission provided valuable perspectives, strengthened international connections, and deepened our understanding of international technological developments. PhotonDelta is looking forward to building on this experience through future international engagements with both incoming and outgoing missions from and to Japan.

The organisation was well coordinated, thanks to the excellent support of the Dutch Embassy in Japan, with special thanks to Mihoko, who ensured that everything was prepared down to the last detail.



New member PIB Japan: Nobleo Technology

We are pleased to welcome Nobleo Technology as a new member of the PIB Japan program. Nobleo is an engineering and technology company based in Eindhoven, working on innovative solutions for complex high-tech challenges.

With broad experience across sectors such as semiconductors, robotics, energy and mobility, Nobleo brings valuable expertise to the cluster and contributes to strengthening the international position of the Dutch high-tech sector in Japan.

Planning 2026 Q1 & Q2

Looking ahead to 2026, several events are planned as part of the PIB Japan program in Q1 and Q2 of 2026.

Date	Event	Location
26 February	Open day at Scil Nanoimprint	HTC 11 Eindhoven
18 March To be confirmed	Female Deeptech Japan & workshop	Greenhouse HTC 27 Eindhoven
13-17 April	Incoming delegation Japan to The Netherlands	The Netherlands
15 April	Semicon TNO Day	Conference Center The Strip HTC Eindhoven