



# Tours



**KAIZEN**<sup>®</sup>  
INSTITUTE

# First Hand LEAN Benchmarking Experience

Be in the birthplace of LEAN and learn how it breathes life into business!



Indulge your senses in the culture.



Taste the flavors of Japan



Experience the LEAN travel system



Understand the harmony



Experience the LEAN journey



Ask the tough LEAN questions



See LEAN up close



Share your LEAN experience

# Join the Professionals for a Unique Learning in Japan

## Our KAIZEN® Kaikaku Tours

**1st**—It's important to understand that Kaikaku means “**revolution**”. All of our tours are designed to give the teams or individuals, firsthand experience in the principles and methodologies of Lean Operations in a way no one else can replicate. Our years of experience and relationship development provide you the opportunity to visit some of the most prestigious lean practitioners in Japan, or the world for that matter. More over, our unique “**Learn & Do**” method allows everyone to have that “aha!” moment no matter what your industry.



**2nd**-We are an organization built on the foundation of lean principles. We don't just visit sites that do lean manufacturing, we are also practitioners (business consultants) who are actively engaged with world class organizations at “**implementing lean**” globally. These two traits provide you the opportunity to see the system in action and maybe just as important, a chance for us to share our insights to your challenges as professionals who do it for a living.

**3rd**-Because of our longstanding relationships throughout the world, we can offer both “**public**” (for individuals) and “**customized**” tours (for teams). Some of the most recent tours included Service Industry (banking / retail), Aerospace (commercial & government), Logistics, Electronics, Heavy Equipment, Construction and the Medical Industry.



# Your Satisfaction Guaranteed...

## Why Choose our KAIZEN Kaikaku Tour ?

- 30 years of experience of helping companies all over the world by providing the highest satisfaction to our clients for their benchmarking experience.
- With over 140 successful tours & more than 125 different sites visited, the doors of opportunity are wide open and exclusive for almost any industry.
- Our global reach extends to more than 30 countries. We have established ourselves as world leaders in Lean & the benchmarking tours globally. This allows us to assist our clients even after they return to their home county and start their lean journey.
- Our professional staff are experts in Japanese, English, Arabic, Chinese and many other languages.
- Our team to plan and organize the KAIZEN Kaikaku Tours is located in Japan and will provide the professional, profound and cost effective tours to welcome all visitors to Japan.
- Our professional staff of Lean Consultants have been deeply committed to helping companies implement Lean. Learn from our experiences and gain the wisdom from some of the best companies in the world. For certain tours, the author of the book '*KAIZEN* (McGraw Hill 1986)' and our founder Masaaki IMAI will be present.

# Sample Experience...

	Day 1 (Sunday)	Day 2 (Monday)	Day 3 (Tuesday)	Day 4 (Wednesday)	Day 5 (Thursday)	Day 6 (Friday)	Day 7 (Saturday)
AM			Transfer to Yamaguchi	Bus	Transfer to Osaka		Visit Kyoto
		Transfer to Kyushu	Tour Carseat Company	Tour Plastic Parts Factory	Tour Metal Tools Company	Bus	
	Shinkansen	Tour Toyota					
LUNCH				Tour Construction Company			To Airport
PM	Orientation	Discussion lean Principles	Transfer to Hiroshima	Bus and Discussion	Bus / Discussion Exercise	Bus	
			Discussion			Wrap - Up	
	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Bus / Dinner	



Yellow Dots are our host partners

## Purpose and Focus of this tour set with our client

### History

Understanding how all of this has begun and where / what it has transitioned to is vital to making Lean a part of your workforce culture. **+**

### Relevancy








Making this connect to your business and processes.

### Visualizing Lean

Seeing how others have applied various elements and principles. **=**

### Suppliers

Practicing Lean means reaching out to your suppliers and aligning what they do with yours.

-  Toyota Production System (TPS)
-  Just In Time (JIT)
-  5S & Eliminating Waste
-  Single Minute Exchange of Die (SMED)
-  Jidoka—Human Automation
-  Poke-Yoke (mistake proofing)
-  Heijunka(creating level flow)

# Our Client Feedback...

***“It was the best program I have ever attended.”***

*“Company tours were excellent and very informative – to see it done is much better than the theory.”*

*“Very good learning opportunity, seeing other companies and exchanging ideas with other participants.”*

*“Overall very informative and I would recommend it to anyone considering implementing Lean.”*

*“I have 50 new ideas when I go back to my company. I will go to Gemba and improve our system.”*

*“This is a very good benchmarking program. Because it shows to the participants how it is possible to have the KAIZEN System and its results applied.”*

*“The program has given me a lot of food for thought and I believe what I have learned will enable our company to Improve performance & our people's involvement in the company philosophy & goals.”*

*“I really enjoyed the whole program. The way things happen seemed to be very easy because everyone has a strong belief into the Continuous Improvement. Thank you very much for this opportunity.”*

*“Very inspiring, an excellent eye opener. Makes one believe that if we want to, we can achieve.”*

*“It has changed the way I thought about the production system.”*

*“This has been a very educational week and I am certain that Lean will be embraced by my fellow associates.”*

*“During last four days, I have got an overall idea about the KAIZEN Route & how it can be utilized in an organization to get best results. Thank you very much for excellent organization.”*

*“I consider that week as the highlight of my 27 years career as an industrial engineer.”*

*“It was an enriching week - a real privilege to visit such premier companies and for us as a team to see what success looks like. What an inspiration it was.”*

*“Absolutely awesome and quite inspiring...the experience immediately improved the clarity of what Kaizen could do”*

# Reserve Your Seat Today...

## Sampling of KAIZEN Institute Clients...



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