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Shinichi Osada

ISPE Volunteer Leader, Founding Member of ISPE Japan Affiliate Passes Away

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TOKYO – ISPE International received word today that former ISPE Board Member and longtime volunteer Shinichi Osada passed away in Japan on 15 May 2013 at the age of 65 after a long illness. He is survived by his wife and three daughters.

Formerly of JGC, and in recent years General Manager at Hitachi Ltd, Mr. Osada had long served as a volunteer for ISPE. His impact on the organization cannot be calculated.

Mr. Osada joined ISPE in 1990. In 1995 he organized a discovery trip to Japan for ISPE leaders that eventually led to the creation of the Japan Affiliate. He served on the Japan Affiliate Board for several years. With Mr. Osada's help the Japan Affiliate grew to set the bar for excellence with its pioneering work in document translation, company engagement, COP development, and overall excellence including three "Affiliate of the Year" awards over 12 years.

Mr. Osada was also actively involved in ISPE International throughout his 23 years as an ISPE Member. He volunteered his time on numerous committees, councils and task teams covering subject matter as diverse as biotechnology, packaging and warehousing, Asia-Pacific development strategies, and marketing. As a leader in Japan, he was often asked by the chairs of ISPE committees and initiatives to help establish important initiatives in that country, and through his efforts numerous activities started in Japan that have continued long afterward through the work of the current Affiliate leaders.



Mr. Osada served as a Director on the International Board from 2002 to 2006. He also served as one of the first commissioners on ISPE's Professional Certification Commission, providing essential international insight into the process of creating and promoting the Certified Pharmaceutical Industry Professional™ (CPIP™) credential. He also participated in the Facility of the Year Awards (FOYA™) Program both as a judge and committee member.

In 2011 Shinichi Osada was honored with the Richard B. Purdy Distinguished Achievement Award, one of ISPE's highest honors, in recognition of his substantial contributions to ISPE. He will be missed by the entire ISPE global family.