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Very latest "Eco Cute" innovations from HVAC&R Japan 2014

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In Japan, the "Eco Cute" hot water heat pump using CO2 as the refrigerant has been a run-away success over the past decade, with 4 million Eco Cutes installed and annual sales settling at between 400-500,000 per year. Despite being an established technology leading Eco Cute manufacturers continue to innovate, with many leading brands showcasing their latest Eco Cute technologies at HVAC&R Japan 2014, organised on 28 to 31 January, at Tokyo Big Sight.

Mayekawa: The latest innovation from the Japanese company to be launched at HVAC&R Japan was the CHRIS, a new dessicant dehumidifer using CO2 heat pump technology, with a coefficient of performance (COP) of 6. The CHRIS will also be presented at shecco's ATMOSphere Asia 2014 conference on 4 February.

Also on display was the Unimo AWW, an air and water heat source CO2 heat pump (Eco Cute) with an automatic heat source switch. The heat pump has a COP of 4.2, designed to provide a constant supply of hot water in large volumes.

Panasonic: At one of the trade fair's largest booths, Panasonic exhibited their wide range commercial and domestic eco-cute CO2 heat pumps, of which they have sold more than 1 million units (cumulative sales). The residential Eco Cutes have four-support stands for added earthquake safety, instead of the originally cost saving three-support stand design:

- . The commercial model has a COP of 5.2, and up 4 units can be connected, with a hot water tank total capacity
- . The KUG residential units with heat recycling for improved efficiency
- The HE-KU37GQ residential unit



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2014 looks set to be the year that Japanese commercial refrigeration takes off, judging by the number of CO2 solutions and new players entering the market. The HVAC&R Japan trade fair floor was buzzing with news of new CO2 solutions, with a booster system showcased by SWC/Carel, and light commercial refrigeration solutions on displayed by Toshiba Carrier and Mitsubishi Electric. R744.com reports live from the show, organised from the 28-31 January at Tokyo Big Sight.

With leading end users such a Lawson, AEON and The Coca-Cola Company all making commitments to phase-out climate warming HFCs and switch to natural refrigerant CO2, and with a wider offering than ever before of CO2 technologies displayed at the HVAC&R Japan trade fair, 2014 could very likely be the start of a Japanese boom in R744 technology uptake.

Toshiba Carrier and Mitsubishi Electric launch CO₂ drinks showcase

Perhaps one of the most exciting developments on show at Japan HVAC&R this year were small plug-in CO2 cabinets for drinks display suitable for convenience stores and supermarkets. Both systems are air-cooled and thanks to their small footprint complement larger, centralised CO2

Newly launched by leading industry players such as Toshiba Carrier and Mitsubishi, these small R744 cabinets have the potential to dramatically change the Japanese commercial refrigeration sector by facilitating the adoption of CO2 technology in convenience stores.



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Site visit - Option 1

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Visit to a flag ship AEON mall in Makuhari opened in December 2013 with total floor area of 128,000 m2 and 144 CO2 showcases and AEON's MaxValu supermarket opened in April 2013 in Funabashi featuring Panasonic CO2 refrigeration systems.

Site visit - Option 2

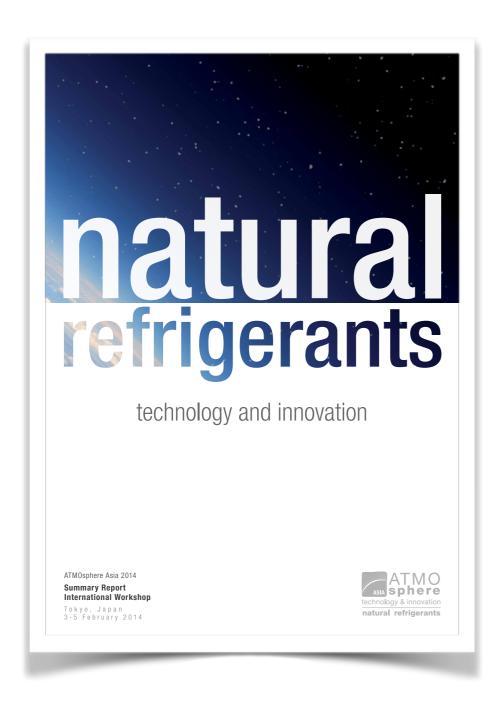
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Visit to Mayekawa's Moriya factory - the production base of industrial refrigeration equipment - followed by a visit to Asahi Breweries in Ibaraki where the equipment is in operation. The Asahi tour will consist of information about the beer manufacturing process, including its tasting at the end of the tour.



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Monday, 3 February | morning

	WELCOME & INTRODUCTION
09:45	Marc Chasserot, shecco, Welcome speech and introduction
	Pega Hrnjak, University of Illinois, Natural Refrigerants in different applications
	POLICY SESSION 1
10:15	Chair: Marc Chasserot, shecco
	Kazuhiro Takahashi, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA), Current development in international discussion on ODS phase-out with low GWP alternative technologies
	Motoyuki Kumakura, Ministry of Environment (MOE), Regulation and funding policy for promotion of fluorinated gases reduction in Japan
	Alexandra Maratou, shecco, EU F-Gas Regulation, HFC taxes & fiscal incentives for natural refrigerants
	Q&A
11:15	Coffee / Tea networking break - sponsored by Yamato Corporation
	MARKET TRENDS
11:45	Chair: Nina Masson, shecco
	Nina Masson, shecco, Natural Refrigerants - global trends and latest developments
	Kiyoshi Hishitani, Panasonic, History and future prospects for Natural Refrigerant based technology and cold-chain product by Panasonic
	Junya Ichikawa, SANDEN, Sanden CO ₂ history & future direction
	Kuniaki Kawamura, Mayekawa, Global solutions for industrial refrigeration with Natural Refrigerants
	Q&A
13:00	Networking lunch - sponsored by Mayekawa



Monday, 3 February | afternoon

	FOOD RETAIL PANEL
14:00	Chair: Marc Chasserot, shecco
	Nina Masson, shecco, World supermarket trends with natural refrigerants
	Shinichirou Uto, LAWSON, Latest developments with CO ₂ technology in convenience stores
	Hiroaki Suzuki, AEON, Aeon's activities to expand the installation of natural refrigerants
	lan Crookston, Sobeys, CO ₂ - one retailer's experience
	Updates from Whole Foods Market and Carrefour
	Q&A
15:30	Coffee / Tea networking break - sponsored by Carel
	CAREL



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	TECHNOLOGY CASE STUDIES - COMMERCIAL REFRIGERATION
16:00	Chair: Gaku Shimada, Panasonic
	Gaku Shimada, Panasonic, Introduction of energy savings by CO ₂ refrigeration systems in SM/CVS
	Yukio Yamaguchi, SANDEN, Efficient CO ₂ refrigeration system
	Sadao Nishimura, Yamato, Ultra Eco-Ice system – innovative solution for Japanese supermarkets
	Katsuhiko Harada, Nihon Netsugen Systems, Development of CO ₂ cooling system for supermarket
	Q&A
	Michael Englebright, CAREL, Development of CO ₂ cooling system for supermarket
	Oliver Javerschek, Bitzer, Evaluation of CO ₂ booster system in Asian climate conditions
	Bill Ho, AHT Cooling Systems, Plug-in hydrocarbon showcases - case studies from Japan and South East Asia
	Q&A
18:00	Concluding remarks & transport to Embassy
19:00	Networking reception at the Belgian Embassy - sponsored by Panasonic
	Dinner speech by Christophe de Bassompierre, his Excellence the Deputy Ambassador to the Embassy of Belgium in Japan and Yasuhiro Shibata, President at Panasonic ES Commercial Equipment Systems





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