

# *Social Program* *(excursion)*

*in Nara, 28 May 2015, 13:30 - 17:30*

*8th IAEA Technical Meeting  
on Steady State Operations of Magnetic Fusion Devices  
Hosted by NIFS*

*Sponsored by Nara Visitors Bureau*

*(<http://www.nara-kankou.or.jp/convention/e/index.html>)*

*Voluntarily guided in English by Nara SGG Club*

*(<https://sites.google.com/site/narasggenglish/>)*

- ❖ You will enjoy either a *walking* tour or a *bus* tour in this excursion program.
- ❖ Please e-mail us ( [tmsso2015@nifs.ac.jp](mailto:tmsso2015@nifs.ac.jp) ) which tour you prefer to participate in before 12 May, 2015.
- ❖ Schedule
  - ❖ (12:30 - 13:30) Lunch at *Cafe Half Time* in Nara National Museum (<http://www.narahaku.go.jp/english/info/08.html>)
  - ❖ (13:30 - 17:30) *Walking* tour or *Bus* tour

# Walking Tour

## ❖ Schedule

### ❖ **Todaiji Temple (13:50 - 15:00)**

- ◆ houses the world's largest bronze Buddha statue
- ◆ a UNESCO World Heritage Site as a part of "Historic Monuments of Ancient Nara"
- ◆ <http://www.todaiji.or.jp/english/index.html>

### ❖ **Isuien Garden (15:10 - 15:50)**

- ◆ a traditional Japanese style garden in Nara, which locates near the Todaiji temple
- ◆ maintains the Japanese culture of cherishing the beautiful four seasons
- ◆ <http://www.isuien.or.jp/en/index.html>

### ❖ **Kasuga-Taisha Shrine (16:10 - 17:00)**

- ◆ one of the most famous Shinto shrines in Japan
- ◆ a UNESCO World Heritage Site as a part of "Historic Monuments of Ancient Nara"
- ◆ [http://www.kasugataisha.or.jp/about/index\\_en.html](http://www.kasugataisha.or.jp/about/index_en.html)

- ❖ We recommend you to bring a water bottle, towels, a raincoat / an umbrella, and walking shoes.
- ❖ We will walk to the banquet place after visiting the Kasuga shrine.

# Bus Tour

## ❖ Schedule

### ❖ **Horyuji Temple (14:20 - 15:20)**

- ◆ houses the world's oldest surviving wooden structures
- ◆ a UNESCO World Heritage Site under the name of "Buddhist Monuments in the Horyu-ji Area"
- ◆ [http://www.horyuji.or.jp/horyuji\\_e.htm](http://www.horyuji.or.jp/horyuji_e.htm)

### ❖ **Yakushiji Temple (16:00 - 17:00)**

- ◆ one of the oldest temples in Japan, which has a symmetric layout with two main halls and two pagodas.
- ◆ a UNESCO World Heritage Site as a part of "Historic Monuments of Ancient Nara"
- ◆ <http://www.japan-guide.com/e/e4105.html>

- ❖ We will arrive at near the banquet place after visiting the Yakushiji temple.