## **Kaohsiung Science Park Taking Off**

## **Leaping Growth of Operations**

By the end of 2005, 37 enterprises were approved to enter the Kaohsiung Science Park including 2 from the IC industry, 5 from the optoelectronics industry, 18 from the precision industry, 4 from biotechnology industry, 1 from computer peripherals industry, and 7 from the others. About seven enterprises have started mass production and 11 were in the preparation process.

The annual turnover of 2005 reached US\$13.7 million, an increase of 120% from the end of 2004. The number of employees in the end of 2005 grew to 1,620, an increase of 305% from the end of 2004. The import amount totaled US\$10.6 million exceeding that of export and indicating that enterprises in the Kaohsiung Science Park have been working actively for construction and preparation. It is expected that the turnover of 2006 will grow in double.



Beam Construction of Allied Material Technology



Opening Ceremony of Epichem, Asia (October 13)

## **Enhancement of International Visibility**

To expand the capacity of the Kaohsiung Science Park, the STSP Administration worked with Kaohsiung County Government to go to Japan for enterprises recruitment, visited Sumitomo Chemical and NEC, was interviewed by Nikkei BP, and conducted enterprises recruitment presentation in Tokyo and Fukuoka, Japan. In order to strengthen cooperative mechanism of international academia and industries, a special visit was paid to the Northern Kyushu Industry-academia Promotion Institution which entered the Agreement of Science and Technology Exchanges and Promotion with the STSP Administration.

The delegation from Yokosu, Japan, composed of National Institute of Information and Communications Technology(NICT) and Yokosuka Research Park(YRP) led by Dr. Shingo Ohmori and Mr. Youji Handa signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for technological and commercial cooperation with the STSP Administration in Kaohsiung County Government under the witness of Kaohsiung County Magistrate, Mr. Chiu-hsing Yang on November 4 to jointly work for the enhancement of international industrial competitiveness.



Enterprises Recruitment Trip to Japan (July 19) Signing MOU with YRP, Japan (November 4)

