IEEE Milestone Commemorative Ceremony for Toyota Prius, the World's First Mass-Produced Hybrid Vehicle, 1997

The IEEE Milestone Commemorative Ceremony for Toyota Prius 1997 was held on 30th October 2024. About 400 people attended the ceremony including IEEE Executives and Members, Toyota Motor Corporation Executives and Engineers, and Affiliated Company Executives.

Date & Time: 30 October 2024 15:00-20:30

Venue: Large Hall, Toyota Motor Corporation Head Office

1. **Dedication Ceremony** (15:00-15:25)

(Emcee: Nobuo Kawaguchi, IEEE Nagoya Section Secretary)

- Opening Address: Jun Sato, IEEE Nagoya Section Chair
- Presentation Speech: Toshio Fukuda, 2020 IEEE President
- Presentation of the Plaque:

Toshio Fukuda, 2020 IEEE President

Hiroki Nakajima, Vice President of Toyota Motor Corporation

• Award Speech: Hiroki Nakajima, Vice President of Toyota Motor Corporation

2. Commemorative Lectures (15:40-16:25)

(Emcee: Masayuki Nagao, IEEE Nagoya Section History Committee Chair)

- "Overview of IEEE Milestone", Isao Shirakawa, IEEE Japan Council History Committee Chair
- "The First Prius paves the way for the future", Takeshi Uchiyamada, Executive Fellow of Toyota Motor Corporation

3. Milestone Unveiling Ceremony (17:00-17:25)

(Emcee: Nobuo Kawaguchi, IEEE Nagoya Section Secretary)

- IEEE Headquarters Address: Toshio Fukuda, 2020 IEEE President
- Milestone Unveiling:

Toshio Fukuda, 2020 IEEE President

Jun Sato, IEEE Nagoya Section Chair

Isao Shirakawa, IEEE Japan Council History Committee Chair

Hiroki Nakajima, Vice President of Toyota Motor Corporation

Takeshi Uchiyamada, Executive Fellow of Toyota Motor Corporation

Takashi Uehara, President of Toyota Power Train Company

4. Commemorative Celebration (19:00-20:30)

(Host: Toyota Motor Corporation)

• Congratulatory address:

Yoshikazu Miyanaga, IEEE Japan Council Chair

Takehisa Yaegashi, Office Cordia Director

Yui Nozoe, IEEE Japan Office Director

Kazuaki Shingo, Toyota Compact Car Company President



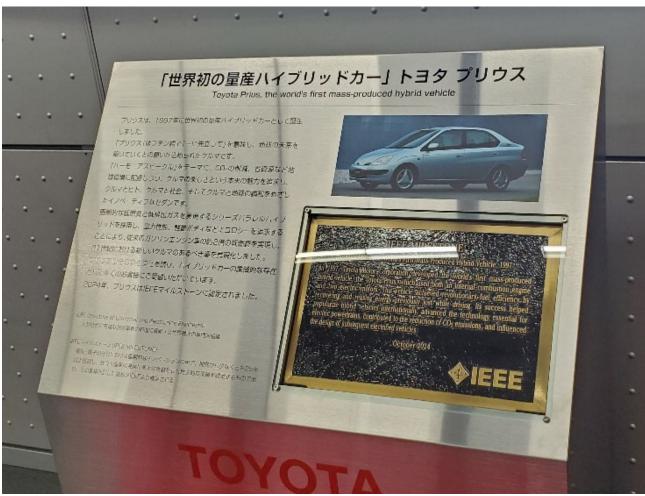


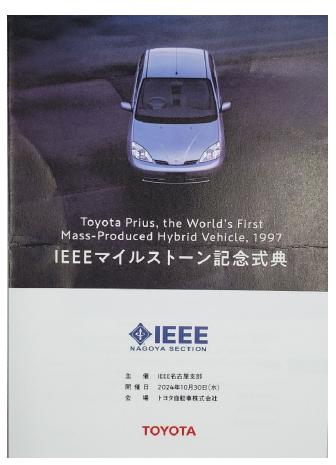


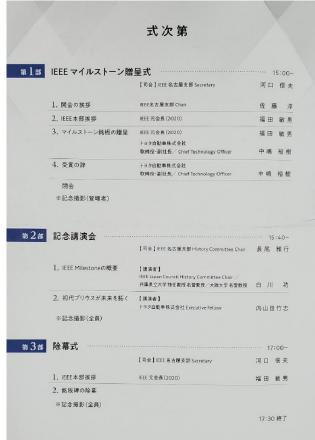


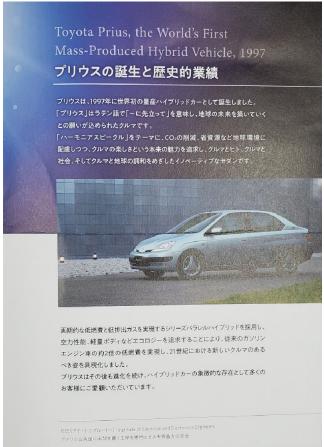














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In 1997, Toyota Motor Corporation developed the world's first mass-produced hybrid vehicle, the Toyota Prius, which used both an internal combustion engine and two electric motors. This vehicle achieved revolutionary fuel efficiency by recovering and reusing energy previously lost while driving. Its success helped popularize hybrid vehicles internationally, advanced the technology essential for electric powertrains, contributed to the reduction of CO₂ emissions, and influenced the design of subsequent electrified vehicles.

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