

Mr. Kenichi Nagasawa was appointed to the Head of the Intellectual Property and Legal Headquarters, Canon Inc. in April 2010.

After graduating from the Department of Engineering of Doshisya University, Mr. Nagasawa joined Canon Inc. in 1981 and he has been engaged in Intellectual Property Division since then.

After many experience in patent prosecution, Mr. Nagasawa was loan to Canon Europe Ltd. from 2001 to 2006 as a Head of Intellectual Property Group. During his stay in Europe, he established IP management system for Canon's affiliates in Europe, Russia, Africa and the Middle East. Having served as Senior General Manager of Intellectual Property Technology Center for 2 years from 2006, Mr. Nagasawa was transferred to Canon U.S.A. Inc. as a Head of Intellectual Property Division from 2008 to February 2010. After returning, Mr. Nagasawa served as the Director, Member of the Board, and in March 2016, Mr. Nagasawa became a Managing Executive Officer of Canon Inc.

Mr. Nagasawa serves as a member of Committee on Intellectual Property of Keidanren, and serves as a member of the Evaluation, Planning and Verification Committee of the Government's Intellectual Property Strategy Headquarters from November 2013, and serves as the President of the International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI) of Japan, where he has made contribution to the progress of AIPPI Japan's presence.

Mr. Nagasawa also serves as a member of several Intellectual Property subcommittees of METI Industrial Structure Council, and has been a speaker at several universities, law schools and professional graduate schools giving lectures about his experiences for fostering IP human resources.

In 2015, Mr. Nagasawa was officially commended of "Commissioner of the Japan Patent Office Awards" of "Intellectual Property Achievement Awards" by Japan Patent Office.

