

Profile of Shozo Suzuki

1. Job History

- November 1956 Entered in Nissha Printing Co., Ltd.
- November 1956 Corporate Auditor
- November 1957 Director, Member of the Board
- November 1959 President, Representative Director of the Board
- June 1991 Chairperson and President, Representative Director of the Board
- April 1992 Chairperson, Representative Director of the Board
- June 2007 Chairperson Emeritus and Member of the Board

2. Main External Appointments

- Permanent Councilor, Kyoto Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Adviser, Kyoto Keizai Doyukai
- Executive Director, Printers Association of Japan
- Member of the Board of Directors, Kyoto Industrial Association, Inc.
- Member of the Board of Directors, Ritsumeikan
- Member of the Board of Directors, Nissha Foundation for Printing Culture and Technology

3. Major Accomplishments

Shozo Suzuki became a President, Representative Director of the Board in 1959 after he experienced a Corporate Auditor (part-time position) in 1956, taking the opportunity that the late Naoki Suzuki, the founder and the first president of Nissha Printing Co., Ltd., was struck down by an illness. After that, he made an extraordinary contribution to Nissha Printing Co., Ltd. for a half-century or more.

In the 1960's, being conscious that sticking to the ordinary paper printing would limit the growth of the company, he focused on research and development such as by introducing up-to-date technologies from Europe and the United States aiming at the diversification and area expansion of the printing technology. Through these efforts, he formed the basis for today's industrial material business and device business. He can truly be called "Chuko no so (the founder of a renaissance)" for these accomplishments.

Also, Nissha Printing Co., Ltd. marked increases in both sales and profits for 28 consecutive years from March 1966. In 1979, Nissha Printing Co., Ltd. listed on the

first section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange. In 1988, Nissha Printing Co., Ltd. was graced with the visit of the Crown Prince and the Crown Princess at the time (current Emperor and Empress). Nissha Printing Co., Ltd. showed them IMD (in-mold decoration) that was a state-of-the-art technology at that time, as an example of the expansion of the printing technology Shozo Suzuki was aiming at.

While doing business activities, he took an interest in social action programs. He served as the chairperson of the Rotary Club of Kyoto for a year from July 1986. In recent years, he put in his own money to found the “Nissha Foundation for Printing Culture and Technology.” He planned to keep up and promote printing culture and techniques so that he could contribute to the improvement and development of printing culture and techniques and the development of the industry and economy in Kyoto.