

Yagi Tsusho support the restoration of a Roman historic site to celebrate 40th anniversary of its Milan office

We at Yagi Tsusho Limited are very pleased to announce that we will be supporting the restoration of an historic Roman site, to commemorate the 40th anniversary of our Milan office. As "La Republica" (one of Italy's leading newspapers) released on 29th December, 2011, we decided to donate €1million to the restoration of the last and only existing pyramid, Gaius Cestius in San Paulo Square in Rome, to show our sincere appreciation to our business relations with Italy over the last 40 years. The official agreement will be signed shortly.



The pyramid was built in about 18BC - 12BC as a tomb for Gaius Cestius, a famous supervisor of imperial banquets in Rome. It is made of brick-faced concrete covered with slabs of white marble standing on a travertine foundation, measuring 30m square at the base and standing 36.4m tall. In those centuries, a lot of pyramids were constructed in Rome, but they almost disappeared over time, and around the 3^{rd} century the pyramid was incorporated into the Aurelian Walls, and nowadays this is the only one that still exists from that era. The details of how it will be restored are still being decided.

(Piramide di Gaio Cestio : Piazzale Ostiense, Roma Rome, Lazio Latium Italia Italy)

The President & CEO of Yagi Tsusho Limited, Mr.Yuzo Yagi was awarded the decoration of "Cavaliere" in 1996 and "Commendatore" in 2011 for his contribution to the importation of Italian textile/fashion products into the Japanese market over many years. He and his staff concentrated their energy on the business with typical Italian small to medium sized companies who produce excellent products both in quality and design. By introducing them to the Japanese market, and gradually developing their brands, he has increased the business considerably with a lot of Italian companies.

The process of the restoration of this Pyramid is planned to be published as a book by the Fondazione Italia Giappone (Italy Japan Foundation), and we believe that this will greatly contribute to deepening the relationship between Italy and Japan.

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