Visit by Ms Michiko Ito, Tokyo City University

The office of Safety, Health and Environment (OSHE) hosted Ms Michiko Ito from Tokyo City University on 27 Mar 2017. Ms Ito is a researcher focusing on problem-based learning in safety education and the purpose of her visit was to understand NUS approach and framework in safety and health training. She was accompanied by Japan Junior & Senior High School teachers Ms Yayoi Matsuo and Mr Makoto Kawakami.

Ms Wong Su Ee, assistant safety and health manager, gave an overview of OSHE and NUS Safety and Health Management System. This was followed by an introduction to Structured Safety Training System and a discussion on the application of problem-based learning in our safety and health training.

The visit concluded with Associate Professor Suresh Valiyaveettil from the Department of Chemistry sharing his experiences in the Advanced Chemical Laboratory Safety module. This module is required for the Department of Chemistry Postgraduate students to equip them with the knowledge on laboratory hazards and control measures. This module utilizes accident scenarios and case studies, small-group discussion and problem solving to effectively prepare students to address safety and health issues when working in laboratories.