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Japan Autobody Repair Work Association  
Hajime Yoshino, Chairperson

## JARWA Joins the Automobile Business & Culture Association of Japan

Advancing the Philosophy of “Mobility Transparency” as a Foundation  
for Trust and Culture in the Mobility Society

The Japan Auto Repair Workshop Association (JARWA), represented by Chairperson Hajime Yoshino, officially joined the Automobile Business & Culture Association of Japan (ABAJ), represented by Chairman Akio Toyoda, as a corporate member on June 11, 2025.

Since its founding, JARWA has promoted the philosophy of Mobility Transparency<sup>※</sup> at the core of its mission, particularly in the fields of accident repair and auto body maintenance. The organization has worked to develop transparent and reliable systems that ensure both advanced repair techniques and publicly understandable repair records.

This commitment is grounded in a fundamental belief: trust is the foundation of a sustainable mobility society.

JARWA’s initiatives include the development of a technical database to manage and share appropriate conditions for automotive body welding, the implementation of the “Automobile Repair Transparency Certification System” to clearly document repair content, parts used, and costs, and the deployment of “Mobicon BP”, a cloud-based communication platform connecting consumers, repair shops, and insurance companies. These efforts are aimed at establishing a fair and trustworthy evaluation framework across the automotive repair sector.

To embed these initiatives into practice and expand their impact from the repair industry to the broader mobility ecosystem, JARWA has established the Next-Generation Auto Maintenance Industry Vision Planning Committee (under preparation, non-public). This committee is driving long-term structural reforms through cross-sector collaboration in areas such as traffic safety, used vehicle distribution, insurance and compensation, environmental response, and local mobility.

These activities represent more than just sectoral improvements—they form a long-

term vision for redesigning the industrial infrastructure that underpins safety and trust across society. However, the limitations of traditional industry frameworks necessitated a broader collaborative platform. As such, JARWA decided to join ABAJ to promote industry-wide dialogue and co-creation across the mobility sector.

ABAJ functions as a core platform for policy advocacy and industry integration, bringing together a wide range of associations from automobile sales, maintenance, finance, insurance, leasing, and distribution. For JARWA, ABAJ offers an ideal base for expanding its cross-sector initiatives rooted in the Mobility Transparency philosophy. As a member, JARWA will contribute to value creation and structural reform throughout the mobility society in cooperation with various stakeholders.

Furthermore, JARWA strongly supports the vision expressed by ABAJ Chairman Akio Toyoda:

“Making cars the pride of Japanese culture.”

We believe that true car culture is not born now of manufacturing takes root in the ongoing use, care, and trust that follow. Quality repair after accidents, community-based maintenance, and the quiet accumulation of skills by professional technicians – all these element’s blend into daily life and are passed on with trust from one generation to the next. That is what we see as the cultural dimension of mobility.

JARWA will continue to support this culture from the front lines of the repair industry by strengthening the technical and institutional infrastructure necessary to carry it into the future.

※ **Mobility Transparency** : A social infrastructure concept that ensures institutional transparency by integrating and sharing all process-related information across the mobility domain—such as sales, transportation, maintenance, cost estimation, appraisal, warranty, technician skill development, and data visualization—in a form that is outcome-based, transparent, and verifiable.

#### <Reference Links>

Japan Autobody Repair Work Association (JARWA) : <https://jarwa.or.jp/>

Automobile Business & Culture Association of Japan (ABAJ) : <https://www.aba-j.or.jp/>

Mobility Transparency Declaration : <https://jarwa.jp/declaration.html>

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