



Yoshiaki Kato, President
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Yoshiaki Kato was named President of Aisin Technical Center of America (ATC-A) in April of 2014. He joined Aisin in 2006 and most recently was senior managing officer of the company's Research & Development Sector in Japan.

Kato brings extensive engineering and R & D experience to ATCA, having spent more than 25 years in a variety of engineering and product development positions with Toyota Motors Company including several years in senior management at the Toyota Technical Center in Ann Arbor, Mich.

ATC-A was founded in 2008 to lead the company's engineering and product development expansion in the U.S. marketplace. As its capabilities continue to grow, ATC-A works closely with customers in strategic product development – taking on more local engineering, design and technical initiatives and responsibilities.

In addition to rapidly expanding engineering and design capabilities, ATC-A has state-of-the-art lab facilities that allow various evaluation tests and procedures to assure quality of its products in performance; environmental impact; strength and durability; electronics; and NVH. Kato is also responsible for FT Techno of America (FTTA), the 950-acre test track and proving ground in Fowlerville, Mich. The facility supports Vehicle Performance Evaluations for major OEMs, suppliers, and government and academic institutions.

Kato earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electronics Engineering from Nagoya Kogyo University.