**About Mitra Path**

Mitra Path is dedicated to improving communities around the world by helping people start and manage small businesses. We believe that home-based and small businesses can provide not only a decent livelihood for owners and employees, but also help flourish the community.

Mindfulness and Entrepreneurship serve as the foundation for Mitra Path’s work and practice. These enable us to identify and manage businesses that:

* Meet one or more needs of our society
* Allow us to earn our livelihood, and
* Help us realize our potential and personal goals

With mindfulness, we can identify a particular need of the society that we wish to fulfill and thus find the motive for our business. Entrepreneurship helps us manage that business successfully.

We practice mindfulness based on ‘Not-Knowing’. According to Bernie Glassman, Not-Knowing is entering a situation without being attached to any opinion, idea or concept. This means total openness to the situation, deep listening to the situation.

We practice entrepreneurship based on the management philosophy of Dr. Kazuo Inamori. According to Dr. Inamori, the management rationale of a business should be happiness of employees and contribution to the society.