

IV. International Research Exchanges Promotion Activities

1. Invitation of Visiting Research Fellows (VRF)

In this program, academic and other related field specialists are invited exclusively from developing countries as VRFs for a period of three to ten months. This program offers VRFs opportunities to carry out

research on developing economies and related issues, exchange opinions and information on development affairs with IDE researchers, and learn about Japanese development experience through activities such as study tour program and seminars on Japan. In FY 2007, the IDE invited and financially supported 10 VRFs from abroad within the same period.

Visiting Research Fellows

*Listed below are visiting research fellows who joined IDE during the 2007 fiscal year. They are all IDE-supported fellows.

Name	Status/Institutions, Country	Research Topic
Megha Shukla	Fellow, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), India	Sustainability of the Indian Economy
Yuan Gangming	Senior Research fellow, Professor, The Institute of Economics, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, China	Comparative Study on Japanese Economy Since 1980s and Chinese Economy Since 1990s
Khin Maung Soe	Deputy Director, Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, Myanmar	Integration of Processing and Trade of Products from Small-scale Capture Fish- eries in Coastal
Apichat Satitniramai	Assistant Professor of Economics, Thammasat University, Thailand	Understanding Thai Economic Reforms: A comparative study of the periods 1955-1963 and 1997-2005
Emad M A Abdullatef	Assistant Professor, Baghdad University, College of Administration & Economics, Iraq	Development of Government Bonds Mar- ket in Iraq (Application of Japan's Experi- ences to Iraq)
Keshabananda Das	Associate Professor, Gujarat Institute of Development Research, India	Fostering Competitive Clusters in Asia: Towards an Inclusive Policy Perspective
José Luis Cordeiro Mateo	Academic Committee CEDICE (Center for Dissemination of Eco- nomic Knowledge), Venezuela	Latin America and Comparative Develop- ment: Telecommunications and Economic Growth
Chen Zhuoyong	Research Assistant, Institute of Regional Economics and Urban Management of Renmin University of China, China	Urbanization and City Size Growth: A Case of China
Bataa Ganbold	Deputy Director of Financial Policy and Coordination Department, Ministry of Finance, Mongolia	Broadening Access to Financial Services for SMEs in Mongolia: International Expe- riences and Lessons for SMEs in Mongo- lia
Carlos Javier Maya Ambia	Professor-Researcher, Universidad Autonoma de Sinaloa, Mexico	Japan and Mexico as Global Players in the fresh vegetables world market: New alternatives for Sinaloa's horticultural pro- duction

2. Dispatching of IDE Staff Abroad

The IDE dispatches researchers abroad on two-year assignments to have them build up their experience of conducting research in developing countries and regions. Through this program, researchers are expected to improve their ability to make in-depth analyses of economic, political, and social phenomena in those countries and to build overseas institutional research networks. In FY 2007, five researchers were sent

abroad to be affiliated with research institutes, universities and international organizations. Four senior research fellows organized research teams and conducted joint study projects in Beijing (2 projects), Singapore and Makassar (Indonesia) in collaboration with academics and experts in those areas.

(1) Senior Research Fellows Sent Abroad

	Name	Place (Country)	Host Institution	Research Topic
1	Ryusuke Takashima	Beijing (China)	China-Japan Long Term Trade Committee	Research on the Chinese Economic Strategy for East Asia and the "Soft Infrastructure / Systems" in China, under the View of Feasibility of Economic Partnership Agreement in East Asia
2	Takeshi Kawanaka	Manila (Philippines)	Ateneo Center for Social Policy and Public Affairs, and Institute of Philippine Culture, Ateneo de Manila University	Political Institutions and Policy Outcomes in New Democracies: The Case of the Philippines
3	Kanako Yamaoka	Cambridge (U.S.A.)	Program of U.S. -Japan Relations, Wheatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University	Analysis of Power Structure of Cuba's Castro Regime
4	Takeshi Usami	Hong Kong (China)	Jetro Hong Kong Center	The Economic Linkage of Hong Kong with East Asian Countries
5	Yuzuru Moriwaki	Soul (Korea)	Korea Institute for International Economic Policy - KIEP	Corporate Law Reforms and Corporations in Korea after Financial Crisis
6	Naoyuki Sakumoto	Jakarta (Indonesia)	Faculty of Law, University of Indonesia	Law and Democratization in Indonesia after Legal Reform
7	Hideki Hiraizumi	Changchun (China)	Northeast Asian Studies, College of Jilin University	Activation of regional economy and development of interregional economic cooperation - case study between Russian Far East and Chinese North East -
8	Kaoru Murakami	Istanbul (Turkey)	Department of Sociology, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Bogazici University	Reconstruction of the Sense of Belonging among the Lower Classes in Urban Turkey: Consequences of Turkish Modernity in State-Society Relations
		New York (U.S.A.)	Columbia University in the City of New York Department of Anthropology	
9	Shinya Imaizumi	Seattle (U.S.A.)	Asian Law Center, School of Law, University of Washington	Judicial Reform and Transplants of Law in Developing Countries

(2) Senior Research Fellows Sent Abroad to Organize Research Teams and Conduct Joint Studies

	Name	Place (Country)	Host Institution	Research Topic
1	Ikuo Kuroiwa	Singapore	National University of Singapore	Extension and Deepening of Production Networks in Southeast Asia: implications for Development Strategy in Less Developed ASEAN Region
2	Moriki Ohara	Beijing (China)	Institute of Industrial Economics, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences	Industrial Development Process of Large Late Industrializing Countries: China and India
3	Mariko Watanabe	Beijing (China)	Guanghua School of Management, Beijing University	Empirical Study on Corporate and Industrial Growth in China: Strategy, Competition and Institution
4	Kazuhisa Matsui	Makassar (Indonesia)	Center of Public Policy and Development Management [PSK-MP], Hasanuddin University	Regional Development Policy after the Direct Election of Local Head in Indonesia

(3) Research Fellows Sent Abroad

	Name	Place (Country)	Host Institution	Research Topic
1	Kouichiro Kimura	Beijing (China)	Institute of Industrial Economics, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences	Growth of Chinese Local Firms and Vertical Integration of Production Activities in Electronic Machinery Industry: From the Viewpoint of "the Boundaries of the Firm" Study
2	Izumi Chibana	Manila (Philippines)	College of Law, University of the Philippines	Dispute Resolution System in the Philippines: Impacts of the Judicial Reform in the Post EDSA Period
3	Sanae Suzuki	Jakarta (Indonesia)	Centre for Strategic and International Studies	The Role of Chair in ASEAN Policy-making: In the Case of Malaysia
4	Rie Takahashi	Damascus (Syria)	Institute francais du Proche-Orient	A Bibliographical Study on Gender in the Eastern Arab Countries
5	Yuko Tsujita	Brighton (U.K.)	Sussex Institute, University of Sussex	Education and Poverty among Workers in Urban India
		New Delhi (India)	Institute of Economic Growth	
6	Yoko Asuyama	Ithaca (U.S.A)	Cornell Institute for Public Affairs, Cornell University	Employment System Formation of East Asian Developing Countries from Comparative Institutional Analysis Approach
7	Akiko Yanai	Washington, D.C. (U.S.A)	The George Washington University Law School	Integration Process of Developing Countries into the Multilateral Trading System: Legal Aspects of "Special and Differential Treatment"
			The World Bank	
8	Koji Kubo	Yangon (Myanmar)	Department of Agricultural Planning, Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation	Empirical Analysis of Rural Credit Markets in Myanmar
9	Yoshie Shimane	New Delhi (India)	Institute of Economic Growth	Industrialization in India: Accumulation and Transformation of Growth Base for Indigenous Firms and Industries

10	Naomi Hatsukano	Phnom Penh(Cambodia)	Royal University of Law and Economics	Land Disputes and Land Law in Cambodia
11	Maki Aoki	Bangkok(Thailand)	Department of Political Science, Thammasat University	Thailand's Foreign Policy in Post Cold War Era:Study of its Institutional Feature, Background and Policy-maker's Perception
12	Momoe Makino	Seattle (U.S.A.)	Department of Economics, University of Washington	Toward Employment Creation by Pakistan Labour Intensive Industries :Comparative Study among South Asian Countries
13	Miwa Yamada	Bangkok(Thailand)	Faculty of Law, Thammasat University	Legal Study on the Inflow Population from Myanmar to Thailand

3. Networking Activities

The IDE conducted various international networking activities to serve as a center of excellence for development studies. Activities in FY 2007 are summarized as follows.

- Invited 4 academics and 2 experts and organized special seminars and meetings.
- Received 184 overseas visitors and organized seminars and meetings.
- Delivered presentations at international forum such as academic societies and international symposiums.
- Exchanged five Memorandums of Understanding (MoU) with domestic and overseas research institutions and international organizations including the ICSEAD (Kita-kyushu Shi), the ECLAC (Chile) and ISEAS (Singapore).

4. Supporting for the Global Development Network (GDN)

The GDN was established in 1999 in the World Bank and has played the role as a worldwide forum on development studies, in both developed and developing countries.

The GDN re-organized its body as an international organization in February, 2008. The ninth Annual GDN Conference was held in Brisbane, Australia from January 28 to February 2, 2008. In this conference, the IDE participated in the pre-workshop of the conference entitled Industrial Development, Trade and Investment Promotion in African Region which initiated by GDN-Japan at the Beijing conference in 2007. IDE made a

presentation on Economic Realities and Development in Africa jointly with GDN-Japan institutions, JBIC, JICA and FASID in the workshop. Active discussions of the workshop were held with researchers from the African region and the rest of the world.

Workshop on “Acceleration of Economic Growth in Africa” at the 9th GDN Annual Conference in Brisbane January 28, 2008

Washington Room, Sebel & Citigate King George Square Hotels

Organizers:GDN- Japan (JICA, JBIC, FASID, IDE-JETRO)

Chair: Kaoru HAYASHI (Bunkyo University, and Visiting Fellow of JBIC)

Presenter: Atsushi HANATANI (Visiting Senior Advisor (Development Policy), JICA), Naonobu MINATO(Acting Director, International Development Research Institute, FASID), Naomi MIWA (Deputy Director General, JBIC Institute, JBIC), Katsumi HIRANO

Discussant: Nehemiah K. NG'ENO (Trade policy specialist / Lecturer, University of Nairobi), Takao SEKI (Director, JETRO Nairobi Office)