

IV. International Research Exchange Activities

1. Hosting of Visiting Research Fellows (VRF)

In this program, scholars and specialists not only from developing countries but also from developed countries are invited to conduct research in Japan. 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 the Japanese

development experience through activities such as a study tour program and seminars on Japan and other countries. In FY2014, IDE hosted and financially supported six VRFs from abroad. In addition, IDE accepted one VRF from a domestic institute and one JSPS (Japan Society for the Promotion of Science) Research Fellow.

Visiting Research Fellows (VRF)

Table 1. IDE Supporting Fellows

Name	Countries	Status/Institutions	Research Topic
Saumik Paul	India	Associate Professor, University of Nottingham, Malaysia Campus	Conflict, Food Insecurity and Crop Diversification Strategies: Evidence from Cote d'Ivoire
Li Jing	China	Associate Professor, Department of Social Sciences, Jinan University	Grassroots NGOs as Rural-Urban Bridge for Chinese Sustainable Development: With Reference to Japanese Experience of "Teikei" System
Suliman Zakaria Suliman Abdalla	Sudan	Assistant Professor, University of Khartoum	Modeling the Sources and Impact of Macroeconomic Fluctuations in Sudan
Tsilavo Ralandison	Madagascar	Assistant Professor, Institut Supérieur de Technologie, Antananarivo	Current Situation of Rice Flows across Regions in Madagascar
Mauricio De Miranda Parrodo	Colombia	Professor, Department of Economics, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Cali	Institutional Reforms, Economic Performance and International Integration in Cuba and Vietnam: A Comparison from Historical Perspective
Imiya Mudiyanselage Kamala Liyanage	Sri Lanka	Senior Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Peradeniya	Education System in Sri Lanka: Problems and Prospects

Table 2. Japanese Fellow

Name	Status/Institute	Research Topic
OKUDA Satoru	Professor, Institute of Asian Studies, Asia University	A Current Affairs Study on Northeast Asian Economies with Special Emphasis on Korean Economy and Regional Trade Agreements

Table 3. JSPS (Japan Society for the Promotion of Science) Research Fellow

Name	Research Topic
SAKAMOTO Takuto	Sustainability of Mobile Pastoralism and International Cooperation in North-East Africa: Wide-Regional Analysis with the Application of Information Technology

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 FY2014, seven researchers were sent abroad to be affiliated with research institutes, universities, and international organizations.

Overseas Research Fellows at the date of March 31, 2015

Table 1. Senior Overseas Research Fellows

Name	Place (Country)	Host Institution	Research Topic
MITSUO Hisayuki	San Jose (Costa Rica)	Research Institute of Economic Sciences, University of Costa Rica	Economic Modelling of Monetary Policy in Costa Rica
	Cambridge (United Kingdom)	Faculty of Economics, University of Cambridge	
HOKEN Hisatoshi	Toronto (Canada)	Department of Economics, University of Toronto	Risk Management and Risk-coping Behaviors of Household against Natural Disasters in Rural China
	Hangzhou (China)	College of Public Administration, Zhejiang University	

Name	Place (Country)	Host Institution	Research Topic
ITO Seiro	London (United Kingdom)	London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine	Microeconomic Analysis of Policy Interventions
	Stellenbosch (South Africa)	Department of Economics, Stellenbosch University	
YANAI Akiko	Stellenbosch (South Africa)	Department of Political Science, Stellenbosch University	Integration Process of Least Developed Countries into the Multilateral Trading System
SHINODA Kunihiko	Beijing (China)	Japan-China Long-Term Trade Committee	China's Domestic and Overseas Economic Policies and Policy Implications for Japan
KIMURA Koichiro	Waltham (U.S.A)	Department of Economics, Brandeis University	A Relation between Growth Patterns of Chinese Firms and Innovation
	Hong Kong (China)	Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Hong Kong	

Table 2. Overseas Research Fellows

Name	Place (Country)	Host Institution	Research Topic
SAITO Jun	Abu Dhabi (United Arab Emirates)	College of Business and Economic, United Arab Emirates University	Efficiency of Financial Institutions in Gulf Arab Countries
YOSHIDA Noburu	Brighton (United Kingdom)	Institute of Development Studies (IDS), University of Sussex	Analysis on Firm Level Challenges for Meeting Private Standards Compliance on Trade
SAKAI Kanako	Delhi (India)	Institute of Economic Growth	Distribution System of the Indian Government Information and its Accessibility in the Digital Network Era
HISASUE Ryoichi	Hong Kong (China)	Global Creative Industries Program, School of Modern Language and Cultures, University of Hong Kong	Hong Kong : Past, Present and Future as the "Gateway"

Name	Place (Country)	Host Institution	Research Topic
TSUBOTA Kenmei	London (United Kingdom)	King's India Institute, King's College London	Economic Division and Integration In South Asia
	Amsterdam (Netherland)	Department of Spatial Economics, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam	
REN Zhe	Berkeley (U.S.A)	Center for Chinese Studies, University of California, Berkeley	Tension between Township Governor and Elected Street Leader in Contemporary China
UETANI Naokatsu	Quito (Ecuador)	Center for Development and Research on Social Movements in Ecuador	The Cross-national and Cross-communal Comparative Analyses of Anti-Mega Mining Movements

3. Networking Activities

IDE conducted various international networking activities to serve as a center of excellence for development studies. Two special visiting professors, three development experts, and seven visiting researchers were invited to promote academic exchanges including special lectures, public seminars, workshops and research meetings (see tables below).

In addition, memoranda of understanding (MoU) were exchanged for academic cooperation as follows.

(Overseas)

- Qatar University (Doha, Qatar)
- Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, Ministry of Agriculture (Beijing, China)
- Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica (renewal of Agreement) (Taipei, Taiwan)

(Domestic)

- Tokyo University of Foreign Studies (Tokyo, Japan)

Networking Activities

Table 1. Special Visiting Professors

Name	Countries	Status/Institutions	Activities
Roberto Roson	Italy	Professor, Department of Economics, Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Venezia	Participation in meetings of the IDE research groups; Advices and assistances to IDE's activities.
Mauricio Soares Bugarin	Brazil	Professor, Department of Economics, University of Brasilia, Brasilia	Participation in meetings of the IDE research groups; Advices and assistances to IDE's activities.

Table 2. Development Experts (short-term visiting professors)

Name	Countries	Status/Institutions	Activities
Jennifer Holdaway	U.S.A	Program Director, Chief Representative, Social Science Research Council, Beijing, China	Joining in the research meeting and the exchange with researchers in the fields as development expert
Sanjay Srivastava	India	Professor and Head of Sociology, Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi	Joining in the research meeting and the exchange with researchers in the fields as development expert
Gary S. Fields	U.S.A	John P. Windmuller Professor, International and Comparative Labor, and Professor of Economics, Cornell University, Ithaca	Joining in the research meeting and the exchange with researchers in the fields as development expert

Table 3. Visiting Researchers (short-term, self-financing scholars)

Name	Countries	Status/Institutions	Activities
Shintaro Hamanaka	Japan	Economist, Office of Regional Economic Integration, Asian Development Bank (ADB), Manila, Philippines	Comparative Analysis of Regional Cooperation at Sub-regional Level
Liu Yu	China	Associate professor, Institute of Policy and Management, Chinese Academy of Sciences (CASIPM), Beijing	The IDE-Tsinghua-USITC-Nagoya Joint Project: Tracing China's CO ₂ Emissions in Global Supply Chains
Jia-Jing Lin	Taiwan	Associate Researcher, Taiwan Institute of Economic Research, Taipei	What is the Effective U-I Collaboration Model in Asia: Lessons from Japan and Taiwan
Yuning Gao	China	Assistant professor, School of Public Policy and Management, Tsinghua University, Beijing	Tracing China's CO ₂ Emissions in Global Supply Chains: Integrated Input Output Model with Green National Accounting
Krit Pattamaroj	Thailand	Lecturer, Department of Operations Management, Faculty of Commerce and Accountancy / Center for Logistics Research, Thammasat University, Bangkok	ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) and Supply Chain Redesign in Thailand

Name	Countries	Status/Institutions	Activities
Ye Ming	China	Post-doctor, Center for BRICS studies, Fudan University, Shanghai	Research of the Length of Global Value Chains between BRICs and Developed Countries
Masaaki Watanabe	Japan	Senior Political Affairs Officer, Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General, United Nations (United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo)	Political Power-sharing in Iraq