

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 devel-

oping 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 study tour program and seminars on Japan. In FY 2008, the IDE invited and financially supported 10 VRSs from abroad within the same period.

Visiting Research Fellows

*Listed below are visiting research fellows who joined IDE during Fiscal year 2008. They are all IDE supported fellows.

Name	Status/Institutions, Country	Research Topic
Hossam Younes Abd El Aziz Younes	Research and Trade Facilitation Manager, Egyptian International Trade Point (EITP), Ministry of Trade and Industry, Egypt	The EU Enlargement to 27 and More, a Challenge Faces South Mediterranean Member Countries: The Case of Horticultural Exports to EU Markets
Muhammad Tariq Yousuf Khan	Assistant Professor of Economics, Education Department Government of Sindh, Karachi, Pakistan	Towards a vision 2030: Directions of Industrial Development and the Challenges of Openness to Pakistan Economy
Gera Kim	Professor, Head of the Department of Korean Studies, Kazakh National University, Kazakhstan	Emergence of Ethnic Entrepreneurship among Soviet Koreans and Transformations of Ethnic Business Activities of Korean Diaspora in the Modern Central Asia
Dolly Kyaw	Associate Professor, Department of Agricultural Economics, Yezin Agricultural University, Myanmar	Study on Rural Household's Food Security Status and Coping Strategies for Food Security in Myanmar
Degefa Tolossa Degaga	Assistant Professor of Geography and Development Studies, Institute of Development Research (IDR), Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia	Understanding the Realities of Urban Poor and their Food Security Situations: A Case Study at Selected sites in Addis Ababa City
Baatar Sonom	Secretary of Financial Stability Council, The Mongol Bank, Mongolia	Development Tendency of Macro Economics
C. Eduardo Regalado Florido	Researcher, Center for Studies on Asia and Oceania, Cuba	The Relationship between China and Latin America
Fu Junwen	Research Professor, Institute of World Economy, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, China	Development of Manufacturing Industry in Yangtze River Delta and the Effects of Japan
Ma Junwei	Research Professor & Deputy Director, Institute of Japanese Studies, China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations, China	A Study on China-Japan Relationship: the Promotional Process of a "Mutually Beneficial Relationship based on Common Strategic Interests"

Terefe Degefa Boshera	Assistant Professor, Institute of Population Studies, Institute of Development Research(IDR), Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia	The Influence of Population and Environmental Theories on the Makings of Environmental Policies/ Strategies in Ethiopia
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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 2008, seven researchers were sent abroad to be affiliated with research institutes, universities and international organizations. Two senior research fellows organized research teams and conducted joint study projects in Beijing and Singapore 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	Naoyuki Sakumoto	Jakarta (Indonesia)	Faculty of Law, University of Indonesia	Law and Democratization in Indonesia after Legal Reform
3	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 -
4	Kaoru Murakami	Istanbul (Turkey)	Bogazici University Faculty of Arts and Sciences Department of Sociology	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	
5	Shinya Imaizumi	Seattle (U.S.A.)	Asian Law Center, School of Law, University of Washington	Judicial Reform and Transplants of Law in Developing Countries
6	Etsuyo Arai	Colombo (Sri Lanka)	University of Sri Jayewardenapura, Faculty of Management Studies and Commerce	Economy under ethnic conflict-Case of Sri Lanka's Business Enterprises
7	Koichi Kitano	Santiago (Chile)	Pontifical Catholic University of Chile	The Corporate Strategy and Institutions in the Chilean Natural-Resource-Based Industries
8	Mayumi Murayama	New Delhi (India)	Institute of Economic Growth	Social changes in India under rapid economic growth: An analysis from gender and employment perspective

(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	Mariko Watanabe	Beijing (China)	Guanghua School of Management, Beijing University	Empirical Study on Corporate and Industrial Growth in China: Strategy, Competition and Institution

(3)Research Fellows Sent Abroad

	Name	Place (Country)	Host Institution	Research Topic
1	Yoko Asuyama	thaca (U.S.A)	Cornell Institute for Public Affairs, Cornell University	Employment System Formation of East Asian Developing Countries from Comparative Institutional Analysis Approach
2	Koji Kubo	Yangon (Myanmar)	Department of Agricultural Planning, Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation	Empirical Analysis of Rural Credit Markets in Myanmar
3	Yoshie Shimane	New Delhi (India)	Institute of Economic Growth	Industrialization in India: Accumulation and Transformation of Growth Base for Indigenous Firms and Industries
4	Naomi Hatsukano	Phnom Penh (Cambodia)	Royal University of Law and Economics	Land Disputes and Land Law in Cambodia
5	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
6	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
7	Miwa Yamada	Bangkok (Thailand)	Faculty of Law, Thammasat University	Legal Study on the Inflow Population from Myanmar to Thailand
8	Nanae Yamada	Beijing (China)	Institute of Agricultural Economics and Development, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences	Public Goods Provision Systems in Rural China under Market Transition
		Qingdao (China)	College of Economics, Qingdao Agricultural University	Empirical Analysis on Economic Rationality of Taxation in Korea
9	Yuichi Watanabe	New York (U.S.A)	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill , Department of Economics	
10	Bo Meng	Paris (France)	Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development	Regional Integration and Economic Growth in EU and East Asia: A Comparative Study Based on International Input-Output Table
11	Mami Yamaguchi	Beijing (China)	Department of Sociology, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Tsinghua University	Rural-Urban Migration and Social Mobility in China Under Industrialization
		Chengdu (China)	Institute of Rural Economy, Sichuan Academy of Social Sciences	

3. Networking Activities

The IDE conducted various international networking activities to serve as a center of excellence for development studies. Activities in FY 2008 are summarized as follows.

- Invited 1 expert and organized special seminar and meetings.
- Received 72 overseas visitors and organized seminars and meetings.
- Delivered presentations at international forums such as academic societies and international symposiums.
- Exchanged two Memorandums of Understanding (MoU) with the following domestic and overseas research institutions, Chiba University (Chiba) and the Center for Japanese Studies, Fudan University (China)