
III. International Conferences, Symposia, Workshops

1. International Symposium: Current Issues Faced by Pacific Island Nations—Global Warming and Globalization

May 25, 2009

This symposium was organized to capitalize on opportunities presented by the Pacific Islands Leaders Meeting held from May 22 to 23 in Tomamu, Hokkaido.

Pacific island nations today face two serious issues: (i) climate change due to global warming and (ii) the vulnerability of states brought on by globalization, including rapid corruption of government and bureaucratic organizations. Many learned scholars, including Heita Kawakatsu, President of Shizuoka University of Art and Culture, and Stephanie Fahey, Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Monash University, were invited to discuss issues such as whether advocating the expansion and revitalization of APEC can turn the current global financial crisis into an opportunity for solving these issues faced by Pacific island nations, which do not have the means to solve them alone.

Speakers: Heita Kawakatsu (President, Shizuoka University of Art and Culture), Stephanie Fahey (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (International) of Monash University), Mitsuki Shiota

Panelists: Heita Kawakatsu, Stephanie Fahey, Hirofumi Ohtani (Dean of Department of Intercultural Studies, Seinan Gakuin University), Nico Besnier (Professor of Cultural Anthropology in the Department of Sociology & Anthropology of the University of Amsterdam, Visiting Scholar at Waseda University)

Moderator: Mitsuki Shiota

2. UNCTAD-IDE Joint Seminar: The Tokyo Briefing on *Economic Development in Africa Report 2009*

July 10, 2009

The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) publishes an *Economic Development in Africa Report* every year. Upon release of the 2009 report, a seminar was held in Tokyo to discuss the prospects of development of the African economy. Mr. Kasahara, one of the authors of the report, visited Japan on the occasion and provided a summary of the report's contents. Two sessions, one in Japanese and the other in English, were held for both Japanese- and English-speaking audiences. The num-

bers of participants in the Japanese and English sessions were 37 and 34, respectively.

The 2009 report, subtitled "Strengthening Regional Economic Integration for Africa's Development" features the impacts and prospects of economic integration among sub-Saharan African countries. Mr. Kasahara presented the history and current status of trade in goods and services, capital flow, and labor migration within the African continent. He also provided an analysis of the global recession in 2008-09 and its impacts on the African economy. Mr. Yamagata pointed out the smallness of the sub-Saharan Africa market and suggested that African countries should seek opportunities to export to developed countries where larger markets exist. The cases of Bangladesh and Cambodia, whose per capita income was as low as many sub-Saharan African countries and which has succeeded in exporting labor-intensive manufactured goods to developed countries, suggest the potential for a similar strategy in Africa to achieve similar results.

Speaker: Shigehisa Kasahara (Economic Affairs Officer, UNCTAD)

Commentator: Tatsufumi Yamagata

3. The 17th International Input-Output Conference Special session on "the 2005 BRICs International Input-Output Table"

July 16 & 17, 2009

A special two-day session on "the 2005 BRICs International Input-Output Table" was organized as part of the 17th International Input-Output Conference in Sao Paulo, Brazil. The session invited the participation of several project collaborators and reported on the basic features of I-O tables of the project member countries as well as methods for data harmonization. The International Input-Output Association is a world-wide association supported by the strong commitment of various international organization and academic institutions. It has attracted not only researchers directly involved in input-output economics but also researchers from other related fields. More than 40 participants joined our session from the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Statistical Office of Norway, the OECD, the University of Applied Sciences, Tilburg University, the Chinese Academy of Sciences and so on. In the

session, IDE's international input-output project garnered much attention as a unique contribution to the field.

Participants: Joaquim Guilhoto (USP, Brazil), Natalia Ustinova (ROSSTAT, Russia), Zhang Yaxiong (State Information Center, China), Norihiko Yamano (OECD, France), Masaaki Kuboniwa (Professor, Hitotsubashi University), Satoshi Inomata, Hiroshi Kuwamori, Hajime Sato, Meng Bo

4. International Symposium "Trilateral Joint Research among China, Japan and Korea: CJK- FTA Study Phase II: The Road to Economic Recovery and Trade Facilitation"

September 2, 2009

On September 2, 2009, the Institute of Developing Economies (IDE-JETRO), together with the Development Research Center (DRC) of the State Council of China and the Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP) held a joint symposium for general public in Tokyo.

Leaders of the three countries agreed at a three-way summit held on the occasion of the ASEAN +3 Summit in Manila in November 1999, to pursue joint economic cooperation. Under the plan, representative institutes from the three countries would collectively study ways for strengthening trade and investment ties among the three countries. The theme of this year's research was: "Road to Economic Recovery and Trade Facilitation."

The first session of the symposium clarified the impact of the trade contraction, which originated in the U.S., on the trade of the three countries and discussed ways to alleviate the situation. The second session examined trade facilitation discussions at the WTO, APEC and AFTA, and analyzed their economic effects. The symposium also discussed trade facilitation provisions in FTAs that Japan, China and South Korea already have with other countries/regions, with the idea that a trilateral FTA would be essential for further economic development of the three economies.

Session 1: Present perspectives of trade of China, Japan and Korea

Chairperson: Daisuke Hiratsuka

Presentation: Chang Jae Lee (Senior Research Fellow, Center for International Development Cooperation, KIEP),

Supplemental Presentation: Hiromichi Ozeki, Fang Jin (Senior Researcher, Research Dept. of Foreign Economic Relations, DRC)

Commentator: Junko Mizuno

Session 2: Survey on the trade facilitation initiatives in major international fora

Chairperson: Wook Chae (President, KIEP)

Presentation: Kazutomo Abe (Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Tokyo Denki University), Lu Gang (Senior Researcher, Research Dept. of Foreign Economic Relations, DRC), Yooyeon Noh (Senior Researcher, Center for International Development Cooperation, KIEP)

Commentators: Hyung-Gon Jeong (Research Fellow, Center for International Development Cooperation, KIEP), Akiko Yanai

Session 3: Review on the clauses related to trade facilitation in the existing FTAs of China, Japan and Korea

Chairperson: Zhang Xiaoji (Director-General, Research Dept. of Foreign Economic Relations)

Presentation: Hyung-Gon Jeong, Koichi Ishikawa (Professor, Asia University; Visiting Research Fellow, JETRO), Zhang Qi (Senior Researcher, Research Dept. of Foreign Economic Relations)

Commentators: Xu Hongqiang (Senior Researcher, Research Dept. of Foreign Economic Relations, DRC), Chang Jae Lee

Panel Discussion

Moderator: Shujiro Urata (Professor, Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies, Waseda University)

Panelists: Jiang Jiqing (Deputy Division Chief, International Cooperation Dept., Ministry of Commerce), Tamaki Tsukada (Director, Economic Partnership Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs), Woen-Kyung Jo (Director, Trade Policy Coordination Division, Ministry of Strategy and Finance), Zhao Jianying (Deputy Division Chief, International Cooperation Dept., CCPIT), Hiroshi Tsukamoto (President, Institute for International Studies and Training), Joo-wan Woo (Director, The Federation of Korean Industries)

5. "Trilateral Joint Research among China, Japan and Korea: the Third Workshop"

September 3, 2009

On September 3, 2009, the Institute of Developing Economies (IDE-JETRO), together with the Development Research Center (DRC) of the State Council of China and the Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP) held a third joint workshop in Tokyo to discuss recommendations for policy. The three institutes agreed that the CJK-FTA study should be upgraded the Trilateral Joint Research on the CJK FTA by commencing official discussion among

three governments. The outcome of the workshop was proposed at the Japan-China-Korea trilateral summit in 2009.

Participants: Junko Mizuno, Kazutomo Abe (Prof. Dept. of Humanities & Social Sciences, Tokyo Denki University), Hiromichi Ozeki, Akiko Yanai, Toshitaka Gokan, Zhang Xiaoji (Director-General, Research Dept. of Foreign Economic Relations, DRC), Zhang Qi (Division Chief, Research Fellow, Foreign Economic Relations Department, DRC), Gang Lu (Deputy Division Chief, Research Dept. of Foreign Economic Relations, DRC), Fang Jin (Associate Research Fellow, Research Dept. of Foreign Economic Relations, DRC), Chang Jae Lee (Director, Center for International Development Cooperation, KIEP), HoKyung Bang (Senior Researcher, Northeast Asian Economic Cooperation Team, Center for International Development Cooperation, KIEP), Yooyeon Noh (Researcher, Northeast Asian Economic cooperation Team, Center for International Development Cooperation, KIEP)

6. International Symposium: The Global Economic Crisis and Reconstructing East Asian Economies

December 1, 2009

On December 1, 2009, IDE-JETRO held a joint International Symposium with the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA). Scholars from around the world were invited to discuss the challenges faced by and the outlook of East Asian economies based on lessons learned from the global economic crisis.

Prime Minister Dr. Hatoyama opened the symposium with a speech expressing his expectations that the symposium will “become a significant moment that brings the dream of an East Asian Community closer to reality.”

Dr. Hatoyama’s opening words were followed by keynote speeches by four distinguished scholars. They outlined efforts made by ASEAN and intellectual contributions by ERIA to support the Comprehensive Asian Development Plan and also provided analyses of the current state of affairs and examined issues together with other specialists.

Panel Discussion 1, “The Global Economic Crisis and East Asian Perspectives,” saw active discussions regarding the limitations of the Asian growth model which is based on the belief that growth can be achieved by preparing an environment for investment and encouraging exports and considering short-term perspectives of the global and Asian economies.

Panel Discussion 2, “Enhancing East Asia’s Role in the Global Economy,” resulted in the conclusion that in

order for East Asia to establish a bigger role in the global economy, domestic demand within Asia must be enhanced through social policy measures.

Speakers: Yukio Hatoyama (Prime Minister of Japan), Surin Pitsuwan (Secretary-General of ASEAN), Tadahiro Matsushita (Senior Vice Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry ((Read on behalf of), Tadahiro Matsushita, Senior Vice Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry)), Takashi Shiraishi, Fukunari Kimura (Chief Economist, ERIA and Professor of Keio University)

Panel Discussion 1

Moderator: Daisuke Hiratsuka

Panelists: Ikuo Kuroiwa, Byron Gangnes (Associate Professor, University of Hawaii), Jong Nam Oh (Professor, Seoul National University), Yoshihisa Inada (Professor, Konan University)

Panel Discussion 2

Moderator: Syujiro Urata (Senior Research Advisor to the Executive Director, ERIA and Professor of Waseda University)

Panelists: Yin Xingmin (Professor, Fudan University), Amit Bhaduri (Professor Emeritus, Jawaharlal Nehru University), Vedi Renandi Hadiz (Associate Professor, National University of Singapore), Miroslav Jovanovic (Lecturer, European Institute of the University of Geneva), Khoo Boo Teik

7. Workshop “The Formation of Industrial clusters in Asia and Regional Integration”

December 11, 2009

With the aim of publishing the final results of the research project “the Formation of Industrial Clusters in Asia and Regional Integration,” this international workshop was held in order to deepen understanding of the manuscripts written by members of the research group, which included foreign authors, and also to improve the connectivity between chapters so as to increase the overall cohesiveness and to form a shared understanding of the research project. The workshop consisted of the following presentations by group members: (1) the development trajectory of industrial estates under the framework of WTO and the advantage and disadvantages of industrial parks in Laos in the context of regional integration; (2) development of a flowchart approach in spatial economics and application of this approach to study the economic development of Thailand’s eastern seaboard region; (3) the role of universities and government in the formation of industrial clusters of the optical industry in Wuhan, China; (4) policy for upgrading

industrial clusters in the era of regional integration and application of the flowchart approach to study the electronics industrial cluster in Malaysia; (5) the relationship between industrial clusters and innovation in SMEs and the relationship between innovation and the linkage between SMEs and institutes for promotion of R&D; (6) the characteristics of R&D partners in Shihwa industrial estate in Korea as related to the shift from mass production to knowledge-intensive production. After each presentation, the points of improvement were discussed. Towards production of the final product, the project leader elaborated further on the flowchart approach and explained how to apply the flowchart approach to some of the chapters. After deciding the role of each chapter in the final product, the group discussed the direction and content of the introductory chapter (Honorific titles are omitted).

Participants: Hu Bei (Wuhan University of Science and Technology), Liu Rongzhi (Wuhan University of Science and Technology), Saha Dhevan Meyanathan (Adviser for World Bank and Asia Development Bank), Akifumi Kuchiki (Nihon University), Masatugu Tsuji (University of Hyogo), Motoyoshi Suzuki (Hiroshima University), Yoshihiro Kameyama (The international center for the study of east asian development), Toshitaka Gokan, Souknilanh Keola

8. International Workshop on “Compilation and Use of the 2005 International Input-Output Tables”

December 16-17, 2009

This workshop was held as part of the research project titled “Compilation and Use of the 2005 International Input-Output Tables.” The objective of the project is to construct, in collaboration with prominent academic/statistical institutions in target countries, a 2005 Asian International Input-Output Table and the 2005 BRICs international input-output table. Given this objective, the workshop was organized so as to encourage vigorous discussion among the representative participants on issues related to data collection and methodologies for compiling the tables (including supporting tables) in order to further improve their accuracy and efficiency.

The contents of this workshop were published as Inomata and Kuwamori (eds.) *Compilation and Use of the 2005 International Input-Output Tables* (Asian International Input-Output Series No.74).

Participants: Zhao Kun (State Information Center CHI-

NA), Suryadiningrat (Badan Pusat Statistik - Statistics Indonesia INDONESIA), Roslawati Binti Yahya (Department of Statistics MALAYSIA), Ma. Julieta P. Soliven (National Statistics Office THE PHILIPPINES), Chow Kit Boey (Business Research Consultants LLP SINGAPORE), Wu Fang-Yi (Taiwan Research Institute TAIWAN), Kingkamon Lertthitnunkul (National Economic and Social Development Board THAILAND), M. R. Saluja (India Development Foundation INDIA), Toyojiro Maruya, Chiharu Tamamura, Daisuke Hiratsuka, Ikuo Kuroiwa, Satoshi Inomata, Hiroshi Kuwamori, Hajime Sato, Yoko Uchida

9. International Workshop on “Comparative Study of the Industrial Development Process in China and India”

December 18 and 19, 2009

(followed by the International Symposium: “China and India: The Dynamism of Industrial Development of the Large Late-Industrializers in 21st Century,” December 21, 2009)

The objective of this workshop was for participants to discuss the interim results of domestic research projects, international joint research projects, and contracted research projects, in the spirit of improving and refining these through mutual examination. The presentations featured case studies of textile, automobile, motorcycle, software, and electronics industries, investigations of the labor market, education system, fiscal and financial systems, and research/development systems, based on detailed field surveys in China and India. Through the discussions, it was confirmed that technological capability formation, labor market and social liquidity of technological human resources, the roles and functions of government, and fiscal/financial systems were the main determinants of the particular path of industrial development taken by each country.

The main contents of the presentations and discussion were introduced to the public through the International Symposium: “China and India: The Dynamism of Industrial Development of the Large Late-Industrializers in 21st Century,” which was held in the Hotel New Otani, Osaka, on 21 December, 2009. Four papers (a key-note speech and papers on electronic vehicle, software, and textile industries) and 8 comments from the main workshop participants were presented, followed by a general discussion with the audience.

Participants: Moriki Ohara, Koichiro Kimura, Hiromi Hinata, Yoko Asuyama, Yoshie Shimane, Tomoo Marukawa

(University of Tokyo), Aya Okada (Nagoya University), Kai Kajitani (Kobe Gakuin University), Balaji Parthasarathy (International Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore), Haritha Saranga (Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore), M. Vijayabaskar (Madras Institute of Development Studies), Satyaki Roy (Institute of Industrial Development), Martin Lockstrom (China-Europe International Business School), He Jun (Institute of Industrial Economics, Chinese Academy of Social Science), Mark Dallas (University of California, Berkeley)

10. International Workshop on “Building New Clean Water Networks in China: Challenges and Opportunities for Protecting Lake Tai,” Nanjing, China

January 14 and 15, 2010

This workshop was co-sponsored by Institute of Developing Economies, Japan External Trade Organization (IDE-JETRO), China Environment Forum, the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, and the Center for Environmental Management and Policy, School of the Environment, Nanjing University and funded by the Center for Global Partnerships of Japan Foundation. Under the theme of “Building New Clean Water Networks in China: Challenges and Opportunities for Protecting Lake Tai,” the objective of the workshop was to build an international network of scholars, policy makers, NGOs and business sectors in Japan, the U.S. and China to solve water pollution issues in the Lake Tai Basin. Over the course of the two-day workshop, 21 reports were presented by participants from China, the U.S., and Japan. A total of about 40 audience members listened and participated in discussions of common issues. The 21 presentations covered the state of the water environment along with central and local initiatives for water environment restoration in Lake Tai, a COD emission trading pilot program in the Lake Tai Basin by Jiangsu Province, a community roundtable meetings to promote dialogue among government, enterprises, and residents, green NGO initiatives against water pollution in China, and the U.S. and Japanese experiences of environmental conservation and restoration of major lakes. Through the workshop we developed common perceptions of the issue that will encourage communication and collaboration among stakeholders interested in conserving and restoring in the Lake Tai Basin.

Participants: Jennifer Turner (Director, China Environment Forum, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars), Perter Marsters (Research Assistant, China En-

vironment Forum, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars), David Dilks (Vice President, LimnoTech), Andy Buchsbaum (Regional Executive Director, National Wildlife Federation), Cy Jones (Senior Associate, World Resources Institute), Matt Turner (Director, Global Stakeholder Initiatives, The Future 500), Laura Ediger (Environmental Manager, Business for Social Responsibility), Charles Xu (BioChem Technology (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.), Jiang Wei (Director, Division of Taihu Lake, Jiangsu Department of Environmental Protection), Gu Gang (Director, Wuxi Office of Taihu Lake), Bi Jun (Professor, Dean, School of the Environment, Nanjing University), Ge Junjie (Lecturer, School of the Environment, Nanjing University), Zhang Bing (Lecturer, School of the Environment, Nanjing University), Ma Jun (Director, Institute of Public and Environmental Affairs), Wang Jingjing (Institute of Public and Environmental Affairs), Wen Bo (China Program Co-Director, Pacific Environment), Zhou Xiang (Executive Director, Green Anhui), Eve Li (Director, Shanghai Green Oasis), Wu Yixiu (Project Manager, Greenpeace China), Ran Liping (Project Officer, Green Camel Bell), Wang Junzhi (Projects Division, Friends of Green Environment), Jianhua Li (Advisor, JETRO Shanghai Office, Professor of Dongji University), Tokio Okino (Emeritus Professor of Shinshu University), Motoyuki Mizuochi (Senior Research Fellow, National Institute for Environmental Studies), Noriko Sakamoto (Communication Director, Japan for Sustainability), Kenji Otsuka, Nanae Yamada

11. IDEAS 20th Anniversary Workshop on the New Trends in Development and Human Resource Development (HRD)—Nurturing Development Experts for the Next Decade

March 10, 2010

Two decades have passed since IDEAS (IDE Advanced School) was established in 1990 to nurture development experts. The environment surrounding development issues has changed significantly over the past 20 years and this has created new challenges to nurturing development experts in the next decade. To commemorate this special occasion, IDE-JETRO held an international workshop for reviewing the past performance of Japanese development assistance, including the activities of IDEAS and also exploring the challenges in HRD by inviting overseas representatives and Japanese alumni of IDEAS.

In the workshop, a keynote lecture on “New Trends in Development and HRD in Developing Countries” was presented by Prof. Kazumi Yamamoto. This was followed by country and case studies: “Development and HRD in

India” by Ms. Mala Dutt, “Development and HRD in Vietnam” by Dr. Khang Viet Hoang, “Development and HRD: Local Government Capacity Building for Decentralized Development in Indonesia” by Dr. Endah Murniningtyas, “Japanese Development Cooperation for HRD in Developing Countries” by Dr. Kazuo Kuroda, and “New Trends of Japanese HRD—JICA’s Case” by Mr. Shinji Yoshiura. These presentations were followed by a joint free discussion with audience members (about 80 persons), moderated by Dr. Tatsufumi Yamagata, Development Studies Center, IDE. A crucial issue was discussed on how to effectively use human resources trained by Japanese ODA for the development of each country. Ideas such as follow-up or monitoring of graduates, utilization of alumni networks, and employing alumni as Japanese government officers were proposed.

Participants: Kazumi Yamamoto (Prof. Aichi University, First Dean of IDEAS), Mala Dutt (Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India, Sixth Class of IDEAS), Khang Viet Hoang (Ministry of Planning and Investment, Vietnam, Third Class of IDEAS), Endah Murniningtyas, (BAPPE-NAS <National Development Planning Agency>, Indonesia, Fifth Class of IDEAS), Kazuo Kuroda (Waseda University, Second Class of IDEAS), Shinji Yoshiura, (JICA Yokohama International Center, First Class of IDEAS).

12. International Workshop on Late-comer Firms and Industrial Upgrading in Global Value Chains: Experiences from East Asia

February 25, 2010.

As an approach for analyzing the micro-foundation of economic globalization, the global value chains (GVC) perspective investigates how the value-adding activities are linked, structured, and coordinated across national borders along specific chains. More specifically, the approach explores how a vertical sequence of value-adding activities is typically organized by “lead firms,” largely from developed economies, that set and enforce specifications under which “suppliers” from developing countries operate. In this workshop, six speakers (Sturgeon, Fujita, Ohara, Kawakami, Oikawa, Nakahara) employed the GVC perspective as a conceptual starting point and presented findings from their respective studies on the industrial sectors in East Asian economies. The questions raised by the presenters included: How do the interactions among lead firms and suppliers help to determine the capability building of local firms in the chains? How does the structure of global value chains affect the growth of late-comer firms?

How does the emergence of competitive suppliers from developing countries alter GVC structure? Each speaker presented his/her answers to these questions based on the results of the in-depth field studies on East Asian industrial dynamism.

Participants: Timothy Sturgeon (MIT Industrial Performance Center), Momoko Kawakami, Mai Fujita, Moriki Ohara, Hiroshi Oikawa (The University of Nagasaki), Yumiko Nakahara (Kyushu Sangyo University), Takahiro Fukunishi, Ke Ding, Yoshie Shimane, Koichiro Kimura, Mariko Watanabe, Tomohiro Machikita, Shinichi Shigetomi