

IV. International Research Exchanges Activities

(1) Hosting of Visiting Research Fellows (VRF)

In this program, academic and other related field specialists not only from developing countries but also from developed countries are invited to conduct research in Japan as VRFs. 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 FY2012, the IDE hosted and financially supported six VRFs and one self-supporting fellow from abroad. In addition, IDE accepted two VRFs from domestic institutes.

Visiting Research Fellows (VRF)

Table1: IDE Supporting Fellows

Name	Country	Status/Institutions	Research Topic
Gao Xiaoping	China	Associate Senior Research Fellow, Research Institute for Fiscal Science, Ministry of Finance	Rural Governance and Supply of Public Services in Rural Area –Based on the Lessons from Japan and Other Countries
Chheang Vannarith	Cambodia	Executive Director, Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace	Tourism and Regional Integration in Southeast Asia
Somchai Preechasinlapakun	Thailand	Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, Chiang Mai University	Constructing Thai Customary Constitution
Shamshad Ahmad Khan	India	Research Assistant, Institute of Defense Studies and Analyses (IDSA)	India-Japan Political and Economic Engagement between the Entrepreneurial Interests and Strategic Objective
Krishnarajapet Vidyaranya Ramaswamy	India	Professor, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research(IGIDR)	Understanding the "missing middle" and Employment Dynamics in Indian Manufacturing: A Study of Formal Sector Manufacturing in India
Scarlett Cornelissen	South Africa	Professor, Department of Political Science, Stellenbosch University	The Development of the Analytical Toolbox for an Economic Impacts of Standards

Table2: Self Supporting Fellow

Name	Country	Status/Institutions	Research Topic
Sun Hyang	Korea	Director of Material & Nanotechnology Standards Division, Korean Agency for Technology and Standard	The Development of the Analytical Toolbox for an Economic Impact of Standards

Table3: Japanese Fellows

Name	Status/Institutions	Research Topic
ODA Hisaya	Professor, Department of Policy Science, Ritsumeikan University	Disparity in Rural Electrification and Labor Migration: The case of Bihar, India
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

(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 FY2012, seven researchers were sent abroad to be affiliated with research institutes, universities, and international organizations.

Research Fellows Sent Abroad during Fiscal Year 2012

(1) Senior Research Fellows Sent Abroad

Name	Place (Country)	Host Institution	Research Topic
ABE Makoto	Seoul(Korea)	Korea Institute for International Economic Policy	Fostering Engineers in Korean Industrial Development
SHIMIZU Tatsuya	Lima(Peru)	Peruvian Center for Social Studies	Structural Changes of Agricultural Marketing in the Andean region
TAMURA Akihiko	Beijing (China)	China-Japan Long Term Trade Committee	Analysis on China's future direction on exchange rate adjustment and globalization of RMB
KAWAKAMI Momoko	Taipei (Taiwan)	Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica	Inter-firm Dynamics and Innovation by Latecomer firms: the case of the Taiwanese Electronics Industry
	Berkeley (U.S.A)	Institute for Research on Labor and Employment, University of California, Berkeley	

TERAMOTO Minoru	Ha Noi (Vietnamu)	Institute of Sociology	Constructing the Welfare Regime in Vietnam under Doi Moi Period
	Ho Chi Minh (Vietnam)	Southern Institute of Sustainable Development	
KUMAGAI Satoru	Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia)	Malaysian Institute of Economic Research	Avoiding the Middle-Income Trap: The Case of Malaysia

(2) Research Fellows Sent Abroad

Name	Place (Country)	Host Institution	Research Topic
Keola Souknilanh	Lund(Sweden)	Lunds University, Centre for East Asia and South-East Asian Studies	Economic Integration, Transport Cost and Industrial Location in Laos
MINATO Kazuki	New Delhi (India)	Institute of Economic Growth	Political Awareness and Voting Behavior in Uttar Pradesh
MACHIKITA Tomohiro	Copenhagen (Denmark)	Asia Research Centre, Copenhagen Business School	Empirical Analysis of Designing Organizations that Support Innovation
	Stanford (U.S.A)	Department of Economics, Stanford University	
TAKEUCHI Takayuki	Taipei (Taiwan)	Institute of Taiwan History, Academia Sinica	Cause and Convergence of Partisan Conflict in Taiwan on the International Status
TSUKADA Kazunari	Bangkok (Thailand)	Faculty of Economics, Thammasat University	An Empirical Study on Rural Land Markets in Thailand
DING Ke	Nanjing (China)	Department of International Economics and Trad, Nanjing University	The Role of Japanese Small and Medium Enterprises in China's Industrial Upgrading
SATO Chizuko	Cape Town (South Africa)	The Institute for Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies, University of the Western Cape	Black Economic Empowerment in the South African Agricultural Sector: Case Studies of Wine and Sugar Industries

(3) Networking Activities

The IDE conducted various international networking activities to serve as a centre of excellence for development studies. Activities in FY2012 are summarized as follows:

- Invited 3 experts and organized special lectures at JETRO headquarters and other meetings.
- Received 48 overseas visitors and organized seminars and meetings.
- Dispatched 23 researchers abroad for annual conventions of academic associations and international conferences.
- Build a research network with the following university:
 - Kanda University of International Studies (Chiba, Japan)