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1. Hosting of Visiting Research Fellows (VRFs)

In this program, scholars and specialists from both developed and developing 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 FY2016, the IDE hosted and financially supported four VRFs from abroad. In addition, the IDE accepted two VRFs from Japanese universities and one JSPS (Japan Society for the Promotion of Science) research fellow.

Table 1. IDE Supporting Fellows

Name	Country	Affiliation	Research Topic
Charles John Humphrey	UK	Visiting Professor, School of Business Management and Economics, University of Sussex	Industrial organization in China: Theory building and analysis of new dimensions
Haitao Jia	China	Professor, Institute for Chinese Studies, Jinan University	The Pearl River Delta model of urbanization and Dongguan experience
Joachim Monkelbaan	Netherlands	Teaching Associate and Researcher, University of Geneva	Achieving the sustainable development goals: Theoretical insights and case studies for making sustainability governance more integrative
Jing You	China	Associate Professor, School of Agriculture Economics and Rural Development, Renmin University of China	Fate, fear or fight: Aspirations and educational poverty traps across generations

Table 2. Japanese Fellows

Name	Status/Institute	Research Topic
Satoru Okuda	Professor, Institute of Asian Studies, Asia University	A current affairs study on Korean economy and politics
Atsushi Hamamoto	Associate Professor, Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Nagoya City University	Towards a sociology of development in post-war Japan: Refining the analytical framework and clarifying the findings of case studies

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

Name	Research Topic
Takuto Sakamoto	Sustainability of mobile pastoralism and international cooperation in North-East Africa: Wide-regional analysis with the application of information technology

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2. Research Fellow Emeritus of IDE

The title of Research Fellow Emeritus of the IDE was awarded to former IDE researchers who have made outstanding achievements.

(As of December 2016)

Name	Area of Specialization
Katsumi Ando	International law, international economic law, international relations
Kunio Igusa	Southeast Asian economies
Minoru Ouchi	Sociology of law, political economy in South Asia
Keiji Omura	Regional economics, development economics
Minoru Kiryu	Development economics, area studies (Myanmar, Bangladesh)
Akifumi Kuchiki	Agricultural economics, Asian economies
Yoichi Koike	Development studies, area studies (Latin America)
Teruo Komaki	Area studies (South Korea, Korean peninsula)
Hideyoshi Sakai	Development economics (macro and micro), econometrics, game theory
Masao Sakurai	International economic law
Tamio Shimakura	China, Sino-Japanese relations
Katsumi Nozawa	Political Economy of Modern Philippines
Shinichi Nozoe	Political Economy of Korea
Takahiko Haseyama	Agricultural economics, development economics
Katsuhiko Hama	Chinese modern history, china's current affairs
Koji Hayashi	History
Shigemochi Hirashima	Agricultural economics (land economics), economic development, south Asia
Sadashi Fukuda	Modern History of Arabia
Shunichi Furukawa	Agricultural economics
Shigekazu Matsumoto	International Political Economy (Japan's China and Asia Policies)
Nobuo Maruyama	Chinese economy
Kazuo Miyaji	International relations, area studies (Maghreb)
Hirokazu Yamamoto	Area Studies (India), History of Japan-Asia Relations
Kazumi Yamoamoto	Development economics
Hiromi Yamamoto	Development Economics, Chinese Economy (incl. Hong Kong & Taiwan)
Masao Yoshida	History of Modern Africa, Land System in East Africa, History of Agricultural Product Distribution in East Africa, Rural Development, Food Security
Takao Sano	Statistics, Statistical information processing
Manabu Shimizu	Area studies (South Asia, Middle East, Central Asia), comparative economic system
Takeshi Mori	International economics (FDI, Australian economy)
Akifumi Ikeda	International politics, politics of modern Middle East
Yukio Ikemoto	Development economics
Kyoichi Ishihara	China's Economy and society, Asian economies, international political economy
Takeji Ino	Middle East, comparative politics
Hirimitsu Umehara	Human geography
Hiroshi Osada	International economics, economic development
Fumiko Oshikawa	Society of modern India
Shigeo Osonoi	Latin American politics, area studies (Latin America)

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Mitsuyuki Kagami	Politics of Modern China, East Asian Diplomacy
Motohisa Kaneko	Higher education, educational economics
Hiroyoshi Kano	Economic history, Southeast Asia
Akira Kosaka	International economics, development economics, Asian economies
Shuhei Shimada	Area studies (Africa)
Akira Suehiro	Asian economies and societies, area studies
Yoshifumi Nakai	Chinese politics, international relations in East Asia
Katsuji Nakagane	Development economics, transitional economies, Chinese economy
Eiji Nagasawa	Socioeconomic history of modern Egypt
Yasuko Hayase	Demography
Fujio Hara	Modern history of Malaysia
Takehiko Haragauchi	Area studies (French-speaking West Africa)
Hiroki Fukamachi	Area studies (Southwest Asia)
Shigeaki Fujisaki	Economic development, energy and environment policies
Akio Hosono	International cooperation, area studies (Latin America)
Toyojiro Maruya	Chinese economy, Hong Kong's economy
Junko Mizuno	Labor economics, Asian economies
Nobuyuki Yasuda	Asian law, development law
Ippey Yamawaza	International economics
Hisashi Yokoyama	Development economics
Hitoshi Yonekura	Agricultural economics, development economics, area studies (Indonesia)

3. Dispatching IDE Staff Abroad

The IDE dispatches researchers abroad on two-year assignments to have them gain experience 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 FY2016, nine researchers were sent abroad to cooperate with research institutes, universities, and international organizations.

Table 1. Senior Overseas Research Fellows (as of March 31, 2017)

Name	Place	Host Institution	Research Topic
Kunihiko Shinoda	Beijing (China)	Japan-China Long-Term Trade Committee	China's domestic and overseas economic policies and policy implications for Japan
Etsuyo Michida	Berkeley (USA)	Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley	Product-related environmental regulations and international trade: Impacts on policies and firms
Norihiko Yamada	Vientiane (Laos)	Public Administrative Research and Training Institute, Ministry of Home Affairs	Survival and stability of Lao People's Revolutionary Party regime
Hiroshi Ikegami	Taipei (Taiwan)	Commerce Development Research Institute	Changes of Taiwanese international physical distribution after the lifting of three links against China
Sanae Suzuki	Copenhagen (Denmark)	Nordic Institute for Asian Studies, University of Copenhagen	Regional security and conflict management of regional organizations: A comparative analysis of Asia and Africa

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Masahiko Nakagawa	Seoul (South Korea)	Institute for Far Eastern Studies, Kyungnam University	Enterprise management in D.P.R.K.
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Table 2. Overseas Research Fellows (as of March 31, 2017)

Name	Place	Host Institution	Research Topic
Darwisheh Housam	Washington, D.C. (USA)	Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University	The state and social movements in Egypt: Phases of contentious activism
Yoshihiro Hashiguchi	Paris (France)	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development	Econometric analysis on the productivity and resilience of global value chains (GVC)
Kiyoyasu Tanaka	Phnom Penh (Cambodia)	Faculty of Development Studies, Royal University of Phnom Penh	An empirical analysis of tourism industry in Cambodia
Abu Shonchoy	New York (USA)	School of Public Service, New York University	Banking with the unbanked: The impact of mobile-based banking service on financial behavior and welfare of migrants in Bangladesh
Marie Kobayashi	Bangkok (Thailand)	Thammasat University Libraries	Bibliographical study on periodicals in Thailand
Shoko Watanabe	Washington (USA)	Georgetown University, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies	Integration of Islamic education within state formation: Case studies on Tunisia and Morocco
	Rabat (Morocco)	Centre Jacques Berque pour les études en sciences humaines et sociales	
Kazunobu Hayakawa	Singapore (Singapore)	Institute of Southeast Asian Studies - Yusof Ishak Institute	Impacts of services reform on manufacturing firms' performance
Masayoshi Okabe	Manila (Philippines)	School of Labor Economics and Industrial Relations, University of the Philippines, Diliman (UP-SOLAIR)	A development economics and socioeconomic study on "reversed gender differentiations" in education attainment and demand from development perspectives: A puzzle from the Philippines

4. Sessions at International Organizations and Overseas Research Institutes

(1) Official Side Event "Industrialization, Private Sector Development and Economic Transformation in Africa: Challenge and Prosperity" at TICAD VI in Nairobi

Date: Sunday, August 28, 2016, 13:00-16:00

Venue: Hotel Hilton Nairobi

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Speakers: Lemma Senbet (Executive Director, AERC), Gerrishon Ikiara (Professor, University of Nairobi), Dirk Willem te Velde (Senior Research Fellow and Head of the International, Economic Development Group, ODI), Stephen Gelb (Senior Research Fellow, ODI), Hiroshi Sato (IDE), Keijiro Otsuka (IDE), Takahiro Fukunishi (IDE), Noburu Yoshida (IDE), Keitaro Araki (IDE) / (approx. 70 participants)

The Sixth Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD VI) was held in Nairobi, Kenya, for two days from August 27 to 28, marking the first time that the conference was held in Africa. IDE-JETRO took advantage of the occasion to hold an official side event for the first time under the title of “Reforming African Economic Structure through Industrialization and Development of the Private Sector.” The seminar was co-hosted by the African Economic Research Consortium (AERC) from Nairobi and the Overseas Development Institute (ODI) from the UK. The AERC is an international research consortium that specializes in studying Africa’s economy. The ODI is a renowned think tank on international development and humanitarian issues. Approximately 70 people joined the seminar, with over half of the participants coming from African countries.

(2) Working Session at WTO Public Forum 2016: “The Internationalization of Firms and Human Resource Management Practices”

Date: Tuesday, September 27, 2016, 13:00-14:30

Venue: WTO Headquarters, Geneva

Speakers: Hitoshi Sato (IDE), Isao Kamata (Associate Professor, Kobe University), Tran Binh Minh (Researcher, Central Institute for Economic Management), Kiyoyasu Tanaka (IDE), Masaki Kataoka (IDE) / (approx. 25 participants)

This session explored the mechanism of Global Value Chains participation from firms based on their management practices and using the results from a survey on Vietnamese firms. Special attention was given to human resource management (HRM) practices, such as compensation, recruitment, and job training, to capture the effect of globalization on workers at the firm level. In the session, the effectiveness of government support for firms’ activities to improve employee skills was discussed.

(3) Official Side Event “Tracing GHG Emissions in Global Value Chains: A New Horizon in a Post-Paris World” at Japan Pavilion of COP22 in Marrakech

Date: Tuesday, November 15, 2016, 10:00-11:15

Venue: Japan Pavilion at COP22 in Marrakech

Speakers: Tatsuto Yukihiro (Professor, Nagoya University), Kazuhiko Hombu (Visiting Professor, Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Tokyo), Glen Peters (Senior Researcher, Center for International Climate and Environmental Research), Bo MENG (IDE), Lei LEI (IDE), Fang-Ting CHENG (IDE), Keitaro Araki (IDE) / (approx. 55 participants)

The COP is held annually and is the largest international conference on climate change issues. COP22 received attention due to the Paris Agreement which had been issued just before it was held. At the Japan Pavilion, operated by the Japanese government, a session was held by IDE-JETRO that mainly focused on continuous research that applied its Global Value Chain (GVC)-based analyses into tracing greenhouse gas emissions. This seminar, consisting of two parts with reports from experts and a panel discussion, attracted over 55 participants including a high-level government official.

5. International Workshops

(1) Workshop on “Urban Economics”

Date: May 13, 2016 (Fri)

Venue: National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Tokyo, Japan

Participants: Jacques Thisse (IDE), Toshitaka Gokan (IDE), Satoru Kumagai (IDE), Takatoshi Tabuchi (Professor, University of Tokyo), Takaaki Takahashi (Professor, University of Tokyo) / (approx. 30 participants)

IDE-JETRO and Tokyo University Urban Economics Workshop jointly organized a workshop on urban economics. Five research reports were presented with an active discussion about each research outcome.

(2) The Osaka Conference on Spatial and Urban Economics 2016

Dates: October 8-9, 2016 (Sat-Sun)

Venue: Osaka University, Osaka, Japan

Participants: Jacques Thisse (IDE), Toshitaka Gokan (IDE), Satoru Kumagai (IDE) / (approx. 30 participants)

IDE-JETRO and Osaka University jointly organized an academic conference on spatial and urban economics. Experts on spatial and urban economics gathered and reported their updated research activities. Participants shared their updated research agendas, as well as research trends and methodologies in the relevant research areas.

(3) Workshop on “Trade and Development”

Date: October 27, 2016 (Thu)

Venue: Institute of Developing Economies, JETRO, Chiba, Japan

Participants: Jacques Thisse (Senior Research Fellow, Inter-disciplinary Studies Center, IDE-JETRO), Hitoshi Sato (Senior Research Fellow, Development Studies Center, IDE-JETRO), Seiro Ito (Director, Microeconomic Analysis Studies Group, Development Studies Center, IDE-JETRO), Yukako Ono (Associate Professor, Keio University), Yuya KUDO (Research Fellow, Microeconomic Analysis Studies Group, Development Studies Center, IDE-JETRO), Takeshi Aida (National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies), Taiji Furusawa (Professor, Hitotsubashi University), Kazunobu Hayakawa (Research Fellow, IDE-JETRO), Yoichi Sugita (Lecturer, Hitotsubashi University), Takahiro Fukunishi (Director, Africa Studies Group, Area Studies Center, IDE-JETRO), Banri Ito (Associate Professor, Aoyama Gakuin University) / (approx. 30 participants)

IDE-JETRO held an academic workshop with a special focus on trade and development. The workshop was divided into two parts; the first session was about development, where three researchers presented their research on development economies, and the latter session focused on trade using three research reports.

(4) Joint Seminar on IDE-GSM in Mongolia

Date: December 6, 2016

Venue: UN office in Mongolia, Conference room

Participants: Odbayar (Interim Director, ITLLDC), Ariunzaya (President, National Statistics Office of Mongolia), Satoru Kumagai (IDE), Toshitaka Gokan (IDE), Keola Souknilanh (Bangkok Research

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Center, IDE-JETRO), Hiromu Fukai (IDE) government officials from Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Road and Transportation, Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Light Industry, Ministry of Mineral and Energy Resources and Customs General Administration etc. / (approx. 60 participants)

IDE-JETRO organized a workshop with the International Think Tank for Landlocked Developing Countries (ITLLDC) and National Statistics Office of Mongolia to introduce Geographical Simulation Models (IDE-GSM) to experts and government officials in Mongolia. Following two presentations by the National Statistic Office, our researchers gave presentations on Spatial Economics and IDE-GSM. Among the 60 participants, including government officials from the Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Road and Transportation, a number of participants expressed their hopes for future research collaborations between the IDE and National Statistics Office.

(5) Policy Recommendation Seminar “Logistics Cost in Lao PDR”

Date: February 24, 2017

Venue: Crowne Plaza, Vientiane

Participants: Leeber Leebouapao (Vice President, National Institute for Economic Research), Yuri Sato (Executive Vice President, JETRO), Masami Ishida (IDE), Ryohei Gamada (JETRO), Saykham Voladet (Ministry of Planning and Investment), Bouaphet Sayasan (Director General, Department of Transportation, Ministry of Public Work and Transportation), Tetsuo Shibata (JETRO Vientiane), Vanthana Norlintha (Deputy Director, Cabinet Office, Ministry of Planning and Investment), Bounlet Vannalath (Department of Commerce, Faculty of Economics and Management, National University of Laos), Prachit Sayyavong (President, LIFFA), Xayana Phommavongxay (Country Manager, DHL Company), Somphone Phasavath (Deputy Managing Director, LAO Freight Forward Co. Ltd.) / (72 participants)

IDE-JETRO organized a workshop with the JETRO Vientiane Office and National Institute for Economic Research (NIER). The aim of this seminar was to clarify the cost of logistics in Laos. According to the investigation conducted by IDE-JETRO, the cost of logistics in Laos is high compared with other East Asian countries, so the seminar gave its policy recommendation to the Lao government on how to improve its logistical condition.

(6) Poverty Alleviation of Women and Children with Disabilities in Cebu, the Philippines

Dates: March 14 to 16, 2017

Venue: LGU Social Hall, San Remigio, Cebu (March 14), The Mandaue City Legislative Hall, Mandaue, Cebu (March 15), and Philippine Institute for Development Studies (March 16)

Participants: Soya Mori (IDE), Gilbert M. Llanto (President, Philippine Institute for Development Studies), Celia M. Reyes (Senior Research Fellow, Philippine Institute for Development Studies), Adrian Boyett D. Agbon (Research Associate, Philippine Institute for Development Studies), Christian D. Mina (Research Associate, Philippine Institute for Development Studies), Tatsufumi Yamagata (IDE), Marife M. Ballesteros (Acting Vice President, Philippine Institute for Development Studies) / (50 participants)

This seminar was based on poverty reduction research with a special focus on women and children with disabilities in developing countries. The above research project conducted a statistical analysis in the Philippines and was intended to disseminate the research findings to cities where the research was conducted. Some government officials, as well as municipal office staff and development agencies, participated in the event series.

(7) Colombo Conference on “The Challenges for Plugging into Asian Value Chains: East Asian Experiences”

Date: March 21, 2017

Venue: Auditorium, Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka

Participants: Mangala P. B. Yapa (Managing Director (Designate), Agency for Development, Moodsit), Katsumi Hirano (Executive Vice President, JETRO), Hiroshi Ikegami (Senior Overseas Research Fellow (Taipei); IDE), Masami Ishida (IDE), Shinya Imaizumi (IDE), Kohei Shiino (JETRO), Toshihiro Kudo (Professor, GRIPS), Anushka Wijesinha (Chief Economist, Ceylon Chamber of Commerce), Sirimal Abeyratne (Professor University of Colombo), Romesh Dacvid (President, Transportation Group, John Keells Holdings PLC) / (95 participants)

This conference aimed to develop our understanding of the challenges facing Sri Lanka in realizing its potential for economic growth by encouraging export-led industrialization by fully utilizing its trade hub. This conference highlighted the experience of East Asian countries in promoting export industries through measures such as special economic zones (SEZ) to attract industries beyond their borders. It also discussed the impact of free trade agreements, especially on the flow of FDI and the decomposition of global value chains.

6. Networking Activities

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

Table 1. Special Visiting Professors

Name	Countries	Status/Institutions	Activities
Yakov M. Rabkin	Canada	Professor, Université de Montréal	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
Kweku Ampiah	UK	Associate Professor, Department of East Asian Studies, University of Leeds	Participation in research meetings and research interaction with IDE’s researchers as a development expert
Prabir De	India	Professor at the Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS); Coordinator of AEAN-India Centre (AIC) at RIS	Participation in research meetings and research interaction with IDE’s researchers as a development expert

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Peter Knorringa	Netherlands	Professor of Private Sector & Development, International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), Erasmus University Rotterdam (EUR)	Participation in research meetings and research interaction with IDE's researchers as a development expert
Paul John Ladd	UK	Director, United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD)	Participation in research meetings and research interaction with IDE's researchers as a development expert

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

Name	Countries	Status/Institutions	Research Topics
Isabelle Giraudou	France	Designated Associate Professor, Nagoya University, Graduate School of Law	Skills education in environmental and natural resources law: Setting standards for a new field of legal expertise in Asian jurisdictions
Ping Wang	USA	Seigle Family Professor, Department of Economics, Washington University in St. Louis	Urbanization and economic development
Jia-Jing Lin	Taiwan	Associate Research Fellow, Taiwan Institute of Economic Research	Role of public research institute in national innovation system: Lessons from FhG, AIST, and ITRI
Fabien Moizeau	France	Professor, Université de Rennes 1	Cultural dynamics, social mobility and urban segregation
Axel Didriksson Takayanagui	Mexico	Full time researcher, Institute of University and Education Research of the National and Autonomous University of Mexico	Global trends of university transformation: Country studies in Latin America, Asia Pacific (Japan) and Europe
Peter Michael Haller	Germany	Researcher, Institute for Employment Research (IAB)	Spatial discontinuity of historic expellee intake in Germany revisited