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Progress Report: APEC e-Government Research Center at Waseda University

Purpose: Information
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**ICT Development Steering Group Meeting
Cancun, Mexico
28-29 September 2009**

APEC PROJECT Progress report

Facesheet

Name of Committee/Working Group: ICT Development Steering Group (DSG)		
Title of Project: APEC e-Government Research Center at Waseda University		
Proposing APEC Economy: 1) Japan		
Co-sponsoring APEC Economies: 2) Thailand; 3) Indonesia; 4) Philippines; 5) Chinese Taipei; 6) Peru		
Project number: (To be filled in by Secretariat)		Date received by Secretariat: (To be filled in by Secretariat)
(Tick ✓ one) <input type="checkbox"/> Project seeking APEC funding <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Progress Report <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluation Report		
(Tick ✓ one if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Operational Account <input type="checkbox"/> TILF Special Account <input type="checkbox"/> APEC Support Fund		
(Tick ✓ if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> QAF attached QAF not applicable <input type="checkbox"/> QAF		
Financial Information	Total cost of proposal (US\$): USD 100,000 per year	Amount being sought from APEC funding (US\$):N.A.
Type of Project: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> seminar/symposium <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> short-term training course <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> survey or analysis and research <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> database/website <input type="checkbox"/> others (Please specify)		
Project start date: Dec.. 200 4		Project end date: December 2012

Brief Description of Project -- its purpose and the principal activities (including when and where): The APEC e-Government Research Center at Waseda University (Tokyo, Japan) was established in 2004 to provide assistance in looking for solutions to the various challenges of e-Government. It also offers recommendations for the improvement of e-Government implementation. As part of the Center's commitment to address e-Government issues, the Center does not only focus on the challenges concerning the national government agencies but also the local government units. The center will organize both the workshop /training and research on online services /application/ public safety /regulation. as continuity of activities for the past years .The Center was approved by APECTEL meeting in Singapore in April 2009 for 3 years extension from 2010 . It will continue to work as successful current activities in the region as core of network for e-gov. .The Center also has made contact HRD Committee to ask cooperation as inter Fora activity.

Researchers

Project Director Prof.**Dr. Toshio Obi Waseda University**

Assistant Director: Prof.Dr. Naoko Iwasaki Waseda University

Researchers: Prof.Dr Tominaga : Prof.Dr. Urano :

Prof.Dr.Kano :Pro.Dr.Sato :Prof.DrLim : Prof.Dr. Negoro of Waseda University and 16 visiting researchers from 13 counties/economies

Activities since the last APECTEL in Singapore:

@The 1st Advisory Board Meeting June 30 in Bangkok

@Presentation at United Nations University Forum in Macau in April 29

@Participation in ITU –GOJ conference for information security in Tokyo in June 2-3

@Support on the 4th Annual Forum of International Academy of CIO in Bangkok in June 29-30

@Report to the annual Meeting of PECC (Pacific Economic Cooperation Council) in Tokyo in July 30

@The director attended the 2nd Asian and Pacific e-governance conference in Taipei in September 2-3 as keynote speaker

@Report to Japan e-government Evaluation committee at Cabinet Secretary of GOJ in August 6

Participants and Minutes of the Advisory Board of the center

Professor Toshio Obi (Japan), Ms. Jantima Sirisaengtatskin (Thailand) ,Ms Sudaporn (Thailand)

Professor Suhono Supangkat (Indonesia) ,Professor J.P. Auffrett (US)

Professor Yang Fengchung(China) ,Professor Francisco Magno (Philippines)

Mr. Luis Orihuela (Peru) ,Dr. Andrey Korotkov (Russia) ,Dr. Tran Minh Tien (Vietnam)

APEC E-GOVERNMENT RESEARCH CENTER AND ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH E-APEC INITIATIVE

After briefly explaining about the e-APEC initiative, proposed some years ago in the Brunei Declaration, Professor Obi explained the role of the E-Government Research Center in evaluating the said initiative.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER ACTIONS

Professor Obi asked the participants for their collaboration in proposing conferences or programs which could support the activities carried out by the Center. Dr. Sung noted that Chinese Taipei has supported the continuity of the activities carried out by the Center, and suggested having a conference on CIO at Central Government (National Level) near APECTEL Leaders Meeting (TELMIN). Professor Obi said that the next TELMIN meeting is going to be held in Japan (Okinawa) in 2010. Professor Suhono suggested a one day workshop on CIO to be held in May-June 2010. Dr. Korotkov mentioned the possibility of having joint collaboration between the Russian CIO Union and the Center. Ms Jantima suggested on topics for possible collaboration as well. Professor Auffret suggested that the Center may engage in other activities important for APECTEL such as IPR and added that it might be interesting to further relate with the APEC EC Professor Magno asked for further details on the work carried out by visiting scholars. Professor Obi explained about the mechanism for having visiting scholars in the Center. Mr. Jirapon asked Professor Obi to analyze the possibility of having an online workshop. Dr. Tien informed about upcoming events in Vietnam, including the ICT Hanoi Forum to be held in November this year. Professor Yang asked on the possibility of combining the upcoming activities carried out by the Center and the construction of Chinese regional/local e-governments.. Professor Obi said it was a good idea given the importance of local e-government

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Signature of Committee Chair/WG Lead Shepherd: <i>(Not applicable to Progress Report and Evaluation Report)</i>	
<i>(Separate written confirmation acceptable for email submission)</i> Date:	

APECTEL MEXICO DCG
APEC e-Government Research
Center at Waseda University

Progress Report for April – September
2009

Prof. Dr. Toshio OBI
Director

General Information

- ✓ Title of the Project:
APEC e-Government Research Center at Waseda University.
- ✓ Proposing APEC Economy:
Japan
- ✓ Co-sponsoring APEC Economies: **2) Thailand;**
3) Indonesia; 4)Philippines; 5) Chinese Taipei ;
6) Peru
- ✓ Total Cost:
USD 100,000 per year
- ✓ Project start and end date:
December 2004 - December 2012

✓ **The Staff of the Center**

✓ **Project Overseer:**

Prof. Dr. Toshio Obi, Waseda University,
Tokyo

✓ **Faculty and researchers:**

Dr. N. Iwasaki (Deputy Director), Prof. K.
Higuchi, Prof. S. Kano, Prof. H. Kudo,
Prof. Lim, Prof. T. Negoro.
Prof.H.Tominaga, Prof. Urano、

✓ **Visiting Researchers:**

Mr. K. Imamura, Mr. Morse, Mr. L.
Orihuela, Mr. Tanaka and 12 fellows
from 13 countries/economies

Key Objectives of the Project

Focus points

- *Data bank of e-governments in the region
- Training for Chief Information Officer (**CIO**)
- *Electronic Government **monitoring**
- *Human Resource Development (**HRD**) for
e-Government and e-municipality
- ***Research** for new areas such as
 - ICT for **environment**
 - ICT for **disaster** reduction,
- * ICT for economic **crisis** and community
development.

Activities for April-September 2009

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Ist Advisory Board meeting in June 30 in Bangkok

✓ **Advisory Board members:**

Dr. Toshio Obi , Director, APEC e-Gov. research center-**Japan**

Dr. J.P. Auffret , Director, Center for Advanced Technology Strategy; Professor, George Mason University-**USA**

Dr Yang, Professor. and Dean, Beijing University-**China**

Dr Suhono, Professor and Director, Bandung Institute of Technology- **Indonesia**

Dr. Magno, Professor and Director, De La Salle University-**Philippines**

Ms Sudaporn, VP TOT Academy-**Thailand**

Dr. Carlos Valdez, Director, Ministry of Transportation and Telecommunications and Professor ESAN University-**Peru**

Dr. Tien, V, IT Committee, The Communist Party - **Vietnam**

Dr. Yu-Hsieh Sung, Deputy Minister of RDEC -**Chinese Taipei**

Dr. Fedotov, Prof. and Ass. Dean Saint Petersburg State University - **Russia**

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- **Summary of the Minutes for Advisory Board Meeting as following slide.**

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Thank you very much

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