

# IUJ Alumni News



NEWSLETTER FOR THE 2,580 MEMBERS OF THE  
IUJ ALUMNI ASSOCIATION 1985-2008

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## When Crises Strike, IUJers Respond: Myanmar and China Relief Efforts by IUJ Graduates

### Cyclone

Kyaw Hlaing (IR92) is running a first-of-its-kind research institute in Myanmar called Myanmar Survey Research. MSR, officially established in 1995 now has over 53 research professionals and specialists, including 2 more IUJ alumni. MSR provides independent and accurate assessment of various aspects of Myanmar business and society.

When the Cyclone struck Myanmar, Hlaing was quick to react by setting up a vital information center called Myanmar Cyclone Nargis Information Center. The Centre has the following objectives:

1. To provide needs assessment data and information to the UN agencies, INGOs, and other organizations engaged in relief activities for the victims in the aftermath of the cyclone;
2. To monitor effectiveness of the relief activities in the fields;
3. To provide information on who is doing what kind of relief activities and where.

The first action the Center took was to quickly release a report:



Kyaw Hlaing IR92, Aung Myoe IR93, Moe Aung IR00 - Myanmar Survey Research

“Rapid Assessment of Cyclone Nargis Affected Areas in Myanmar.” Their plan is to update the information on a bi-weekly basis. Reports are distributed to relief agencies— UN agencies, INGOs, and Local CBOs— and donors as well.

Myanmar Survey Research also participated in the Post-Nargis Joint Assessment in June 2008 sponsored by the Tripartite Core Group of ASEAN, UN and the Government of Myanmar. MSR was assigned to conduct assessment on Damage and Loss of commerce and industrial sectors with particular focus on small and median-scale companies in the Nargis affected areas. MSR conducted interviews with 200 companies in 22 townships.

Hlaing explains: “The services of Myanmar Cyclone Nargis Information Centre will be very useful to the relief agencies. With the accurate and timely information, the relief agencies will be able to carry out their relief activities efficiently. Consequently, it will contribute to the well-being of the cyclone affected victims in Myanmar.”

Those able to make a donation to help the Center, please contact Kyaw Hlaing.

**Myanmar Cyclone Nargis Info. Centre**  
Tel: 95-1-249231  
Fax: 1-254263  
Email: msr@myanmar.com.mm

### Earthquake

Weihong :Grace” Ding (IM00), is at the forefront of a growing service in China, psychological counseling and trauma relief counseling. Soon after the Sichuan earthquake hit, her team at Shanghai Linzi Counseling sent out 3 volunteer psychological counselors and trauma experts onsite to provide support for mental health to help people cope with post trauma stress disorder. A second team of 7 volunteer counselors was sent the following week.

Ding explains: “The days right after the quake



Children share their Memories in Drawings

struck were days of worry and heart pain. We were seeking information and planning actions for me and my colleagues. Though we are in Shanghai, far from the earthquake area, we are bond to provide what we can for those seriously affected. People in Sichuan will need continued and long-term support.

“Since the earthquake we have sent out 7 batches of 30 volunteer counselors and trauma experts to work on the three tent stations we set up at Dujiangyan, Chengdu and Mianyang, helping children and women to deal with the current difficulties of hard

times, and helping restore things to a relatively steady condition. China’s Vice Chairman Xijing Ping also visited one of our station during his stay in the affected area.



Kindergarteners led by Center Counselors

“We have received all together 102 batches of Children’s toys, books and stationary from all over China for kids in the local school and community. Many organization provided help to us in the initial period. Currently more urgent needs are for Infant/ Children Milk Powder, Adult Women Milk Powder, and “Automan” toys. For a longer horizon, we are now seeking corporate partnership to sponsor and support this 3 year volunteer program.”

The website for their not-for-profit program, in Chinese, is at: <http://www.xlzx.cn/html/linzizhuan/2008/0516/10138.html>



Center Counselors with kids they are helping outside a tent station

## IUJ Alum Chairing UN Security Council

An IUJ graduate from the International Development Program Class of 2005, **Hai Luu Nguyen**, working for his countries Ministry of Foreign Affairs, is currently on the Viet Nam delegation to the United Nations Security Council. By natural rotation, it is Viet Nam’s month



to chair the council meetings putting Hai Luu in the seat of the Chairman of the UNSC.

A quick Alumni Database key word query shows that currently over 30 IUJ graduates are working for various “UN” bodies around the world,

with over 40 working in “Foreign Affairs” for their country, several of whom have had experiences at the UN headquarters.

An additional 70 plus are working in other governmental “ministries,” and about 20 in “Embassies.” In total, over 650, or about 1/4th of IUJ alumni are working or studying in some kind of International Organization, government or research institute.

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## "ThANKS" Fund: The Alumni NaKayama Scholarship Fund

The on-going ThANKS Fund fundraising campaign update:

- Goal 5,500,000 yen per year (First year goal reached! This is the 2nd round)
- Current Total: 1,018,456yen 18.5% of our goal (unofficial)
- Tamaru-sensei contributed 70,000 yen to match the 70 Alumni that donated in the "Tamaru Revenge Campaign" THANK YOU!

We thank the following Alumni who donated during the Tamaru Revenge campaign between January and April '08:

### IUJ Founders Club & IUJ Presidential Club

--No Donors--

### IUJ Premier Executive Club

Anand Phanse MBA04

### IUJ Premier Club

Robert Jones MBA92

Anonymous Donation

### IUJ Honors Club

George Pei IR90

Kazal Roy MBA91

Julia (Parton) and Adam Bergman IR97

Qais Saleh IR97

Brent Mori MBA97

Suebie Wong MBA01

Murni Abdul Hamid IR02

Vandy Hem IR02

Lemon Lim MBA02

Yinghui Zhang IR03

Thi Thu Hien Le MBA03

Bang-Chieh Jami Wu MBA03

Cary Feuer IR04

Carson Cheng MBA04

Udom Chuentongaram MBA05

Satoshi Kurachi Ebiz05

Sirilak Manawongcharoen Ebiz07

Anonymous Donation

### IUJ Club

Minh Dung Bui IR91

Debajyoti Chakraborty MBA04

Farshid Ghyasi, Ebiz04

Anonymous Donation(s) (2)

Those who donated earlier were recognized in the January edition, and they, along with donors in to other campaigns are appreciated at <http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/donations>

## Chairman's Report

By Tomohito Shinoda, IR86

### Safety

We were thankful to learn of the safety of those in Myanmar and China, and hope for continued world support and progress to rebuild your countries.

### Annual Reception

Thanks to those who attended the Annual Association meeting and reception. A larger turn out than expected was great to see, as was the conversations and laughter that filled the room that night. We hope to see more of you at the next gatherings.

### Donations

The most recent Scholarship Fundraising campaign featured a tribute to Tamaru-sensei with her retirement. 70 Alumni made donations totaling 18.5% of our yearly goal. In the spirit of this "Revenge Campaign" Ta-

maru-sensei matched them 1,000 yen per donation or 70,000yen.

We welcome your further donations to the on-going scholarship fund, and I look forward to updating you all in the January newsletter about the student profiles of those we are sponsoring. Join us in helping those who are showing leadership and community building on campus with their IUJ education expenses. Increasingly, IUJ needs our financial support to keep scholarships available, so we hope you can be generous.

### Elections

The last 2.5 years have been important in shaping IUJ's future course and the Alumni Association Executive Council members serving on the IUJ Board of

Councilors have been important to that process. The next group to be elected too will surely play an important role. I would like to encourage those who care about the future of IUJ to get involved and submit your name for election (see the article below). IUJ needs creative and sound minds from among its alumni to come forward to serve.

### Experts in the Classroom

We continue to seek Alumni Experts for classroom lecturers, and joint research. Volunteer today on the online Profile page.

### "Kuchi Komi"

Most importantly, it has been again proven that IUJ Alumni are the most effective new student recruitment tool for IUJ: the power of Word-Of-Mouth "advertisement" is crucial. Please tell someone in your circle about IUJ to encourage them to apply! We especially need extra help attracting Japanese applicants!

## Alumni Executive Council Elections in '09

国際大学同窓会幹部の現メンバーが2009年3月で任期切れとなります。2009年4月から2012年3月の次期メンバー選出の選挙が2009年2月に行われます。是非立候補してください。自薦・他薦は問いません。また、同窓会幹部メンバーは国際大学評議会の修了生代表も兼ねることも多く、大学運営に積極的に参加することになります。

On March 31, 2009 the current 14 member Alumni Association Executive Council Members' 3-year term will end. Elections for the new EC members, some of whom also serve on the IUJ Board or Councilors, will take place in February 2009 for a 3-year term beginning in April 2009. Please let campus know if you are interested in joining the EC or can nominate another IUJ alumni to stand for election. We hope for your involvement!

## Scholarship Award Update . . .



Sohei Nakayama (1906-2005), IUJ Founder and ThANKS Fund inspiration

As announced in the January 2008 edition, IUJ Alumni have donated enough monies to start sponsoring current students with special scholarships.

We had hoped to announce the "winners" of our first scholarships in this edition, but due to heavy faculty meeting agendas in June, the scholarship decisions were postponed until the September faculty meetings

which launch the academic year 2008-2009. Watch for an update on who from the Class of 2009 we will be sponsoring from both GSIR and GSIM.

Donations to continue extending scholarship support are still sought. Please see the donations website at <http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/donations> and make a generous contribution today!

## IUJ Student Won MoMo Tokyo 2008 Peer Award!

**Vijay Raju (08)**, a recent IUJ grad and Mobile Consumer Lab member, won a MoMo Tokyo 2008 Peer Award in March. MoMo (Mobile Monday) is a global community of mobile industry visionaries, developers and influential individuals sharing ideas, best practices and trends from global markets. Vijay won the award for the program he developed, "**Mobile Krishna**", which aims to provide security and information through mobile to tourists in India.

### Vijay comments:

"Innovation is happening only for the developed countries and the resulting product success could not be sustained because these innovations don't provide long term solutions. India and China have garnered global attention with their booming economies and as a result the economic

power is shifting towards Asia. These booming economies create huge income inequalities within their societies which cause social unrest. Advanced technologies, if effectively deployed, can provide compelling solutions to the problems in these emerging economies and the learning can be effectively leveraged for future R&D.

I thank Prof. Sugai for putting so much faith in my idea and encouraging me to aspire to bigger things. The lectures at Mobile Consumer Lab over the past one year have really inspired me and they helped me to broaden my thinking. I also thank my wife for her support and prayers."

Prof. Philip Sugai, Director of the Mobile Consumer Lab, had these words of praise:

"This is a great honor not only for Vijay but for the entire Mobile Consumer Lab. Vijay's outstanding efforts will serve as an example for all other members of the Lab, both now and into the future."

Vijay is the winner from the "academic category" for students in an accredited University program, and two other groups were awarded in the "start-ups category" for recently founded corporations with early-stage financing and the "emerging category" for companies operating between Series A & B funding. These 3 winners are automatically entered into the Asia/Pacific MoMo Peer Awards.

Vijay, congratulations on winning this great award! And good luck in your new career at Innosight Ventures.



Vijay poses with his MoMo Peer Award plaque

## Students Attend and Present at Various Conferences

IUJ students traveled the globe this academic year attending and presenting papers at various academic and professional conferences. Among them was the St. Gallens Symposium in

May. In June, 2 students attended the "Being Globally Responsible Conference" at CEIBS. Two made the Semi-finals of the "HKUST Business Plan competition." In

February, a student presented a paper at the "International Project and Program Management Symposium" in Tokyo. Yet another presented at the "International Graduate

Student Symposium" in Hawaii. One student made the finals of the "International Speech Contest in Japanese, to be broadcast on Aug. 3 on NHK. A BUSY year!

## "Mobile Consumer Lab" Speakers Series

After an impressive Fall Term speaker series (See January newsletter), the Mobile Consumer Lab and platform research work continued into Winter and Spring terms under Prof. Philip Sugai's leaders. Here is an impressive list of on-campus speakers:

- Jonathan Browne, Senior Analyst, Forrester Research, Inc.
- Keiichi Kurakazu, Executive Deputy President, Felica Networks
- Takayuki Nozaki, Director of Marketing, QUALCOMM Japan

- Chana Schoenberger, Associate Editor, Forbes
- Dr. Helmut Wenisch, Photonics Business Strategist, SONY Corporation
- Ted Matsumoto, Chief Strategy Officer, Softbank Mobile Corp.
- Dr. Sachio Semmoto, Founder, Chairman and

- CEO, EMobile Ltd
- Takeshi Natsuno, Managing Director, Multimedia Services, NTT DoCoMo
- Dr. Yutaka Yasuda, Vice President & GM, Technology Sector, KDDI Corporation
- Mohammed Akhtar, Vice President, Global GSM/UMTS Products, Country Manager, Middle East & Africa, Motorola
- **Brent Mori** (IM97), Country Manager, Opera Software

- Norio Murakami, CEO, Google Japan
- David Uze, Managing Partner, Semiconductor & Technology Practice, Anderson International

For details, lecture summaries, including a slide show of Brent's talk, see

<http://www.mocobe.com/>

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# IUJ Alumni Annual Gathering a Big Success

May 30 was a great night for the Alumni Association with a larger-than-expected turn out to the Annual Reception in Tokyo.

Nearly ever class was well represented, with old friendships being rekindled, and a chance to make new connections across class lines.

Among the featured alumni guests was **Takashi Saeki** ('88) our first alumni to be appointed president of a listed company, Toho Gas. Several alumni with Osaka Gas made the trip to Tokyo to congratulate and network with their Sempai.

Other special guests were Tamaru-sensei who we thanked for allowing us to use her retirement to help fundraise in the "Tamaru-sensei Revenge Campaign." 70 alumni made a donation to the ThANKS Fund during this campaign, and Tamaru-sensei matched that with a 70,000 yen donation of her own!

IUJ presidents current and past also joined with Pres. Sugihara giving the Kampai, and former president

London Celebrates too



Mark Wells (center left), arranged a social gathering in London to coincide with the Annual Reception in Tokyo. Mark is with Abbey Financial Markets



Happy Alumni



Pres. Sugihara Kampai



1995 and 1996 smiles



Good Food!



Tamaru-sensei with new and old graduates



Chairman's report



1980s grads & Shishido-sensei



1993 Reunion



2002 Group



1998 Reunion



Meishi Exchange

Dr. Shishido catching up with students from his presidency.

Excellent food, fun conversations, and a lot of memories made the night again memorable.

## Next Annual Reception

We hope YOU join us in **February 2009** for the next event, which will feature elections for the next 3-year term of the Executive Council. Please plan to attend.

Also, it will be the anniversary years for the following classes, so please begin to plan to celebrate your anniversary by having a reunion at the February Reception:

### Anniversaries for Classes

- 1989 - 20th
- 1994 - 15th
- 1999 - 10th
- 2004 - 5th

**Class Representatives, please start contacting your classmates!!**



1989 graduates



Reviewing the year's report

## Former Faculty Join Alumni Association

We are happy to announce a **NEW service**: former IUJ Faculty members are now welcomed to join our association as honorary members! The first to sign up is Tamaru-sensei! You can

now find her on the Alumni Directory, and she can find you!

If you are in touch with former IUJ faculty, whether retired or those who changed

universities, please encourage them to contact [alumni@iuj.ac.jp](mailto:alumni@iuj.ac.jp) to ask to be included as an honorary member.

## Refreshing our Leadership

### Chapter Leaders

Kicking off the IUJ Alumni Chapters system in 2005-06 on a global scale were 37 Chairpersons in 37 cities worldwide, supported by 24 Vice Chairs. This group graciously served our global network for about 3 years covering the 25th Anniversary of IUJ. Thank you!

It is time to refresh our leadership and I call upon you to offer your good service for a new 3 year term. Current Chapter Chair's and Vice Chair's please either renew your commitment to campus (via Gretchen), or please help select a new Chair and Vice Chair to lead through March 2011. Maybe the coming IUJ Friday is a good place to change leadership (or renew current leaders!)

Responsibilities of the Chair and Vice Chair are primarily to help your city's alumni network in a social gathering once or twice a year!

For a current list of Chairs see the Alumni Homepage, at [http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/aa\\_chapters/](http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/aa_chapters/)



'93 Class Rep Teramachi-san gathers some mates in Tokyo

### IUJ Class Representatives

Campus would like to renew Class Representatives. Those who are currently their class reps, please contact campus to either re-accept the nomination, or to withdraw. If you withdraw as your class rep, we hope you can nominate a replacement.

For a list of current Class Representatives, see [http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/aa\\_chapters/ reps.html](http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/aa_chapters/ reps.html)

### IUJ World Wide Friday for 2008 is September 12.

Campus asks the Chairs or Vice Chairs of our global Alumni Chapters to set a social gathering for drinks, dinner, karaoke, bowling, etc. etc. on this date (or a date near it) to strengthen our alumni community, enjoy remembering your IUJ days. Please let campus know your plans (date, time, place and contact info) so we can help spread the word.

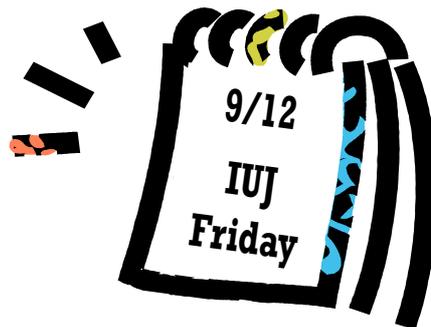
### Info Session Hosts

Because Word-of-Mouth advertising is such a powerful tool for IUJ, we call upon our recent graduates and volunteers in our "Ambassador's Program" to host IUJ Info Sessions this coming November.

Ambassadors are sent brochures, posters, ppt files and an FAQ sheet, plus the name list of those that RSVPd. The prospective students, numbering 2-15, gather with one or two alumni to listen to their experiences, ask questions, and get application advice.

Classes 2006, 2007 and 2008 are especially sought for help. If you can volunteer to host a session in your city, contact Gretchen. And if she asks you directly we do hope you can help out!

Also, IUJ staff member Toru Wada will be on the World Grad School Tour this year in Shanghai, HCM, KL, and Phnom Penh, and hold Info Sessions in Beijing, Singapore and Hanoi. We hope for your help!



## Campus Donates to Myanmar and China Relief

After the Myanmar Cyclone and China Earthquake campus contacted the alumni in the affected regions to ensure everyone in the IUJ family was safe. Though there were a few near misses, and alumni in Yangon reporting in about staggering prices for candles, everyone, we think, is safe. One current students' home and one alum's parents' home in

China were badly damaged. In response, students raised funds for donations from among themselves, faculty, staff and ASEAN night participants.

In total, in just a few hours including ASEAN Night 106,783 yen was collected for Myanmar relief, and a donation was made to a Japanese NGO, "Bridge Asia

Japan" to reach directly to the people hit hardest.

After the China Earthquake, and within just two days 236,846 was raised, of which 70,000 went to the current student's family, and the balance was donated to the Red Cross with a request for it to benefit orphaned children.



## Be the LINK to IUJ's Future Replace Yourself

Please help recruit new students from those you work with, your family, friends and their family, colleagues, etc.

**REPLACE** yourself by suggesting someone come to IUJ!

We need help in reaching Japanese nationals both company sponsored and private students! So please nudge the person next to you and talk up IUJ!

### 修了生の皆さん、

IUJでのあなたの“後継者”を紹介して下さい。

『リプレース・ユアセルフ・キャンペーン』実施中!

職場の同僚・後輩やご家族、ご友人のなかで、将来IUJで勉強してみたいと思っている方はいませんか? お心当たりの方がいらっしゃったら、是非あなたの“後継者”としてIUJをご紹介下さい。

## ClassNotes



**'85**  
**Tsutomu Shirakawa**, General Manager of the Planning Division of Astomos Energy Co. Ltd. joined the Annual Alumni Reception in late May, pictured here with Class of 88 **Yoshihara Asaka**, a general manager of Kajima Corporation.



**'86** We hope to hear from you!

**'87**  
**Takanobu Kamiya**, again hosting an IUJ student as a summer intern at Hitachi Chubu, joined classmates at the Annual Gathering. Pictured here with classmates **Shinichi Suzuki** (EX Corp.), **Minoru Osawa** (Orix) and **Katsuhiko Ando** (Royal Bank of Scotland). **Yoichi Nakashima** is now in Jordan as First Secretary of the Embassy of Japan. **Shinji Nakamura** is running the marketing division of Pictet Asset Management (Japan) Ltd.



Takashi Saeki celebrates his 20th year anniversary from graduating from IUJ with an announcement of his promotion to Executive President of Toho Gas!

**'88**  
 Congratulations to **Takashi Saeki** who became Executive President, Representative Director of Toho Gas Co. Ltd. in June. This marks the first IUJ graduate to become president of a company listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange (that we know of!). Moo Sison ('88), Iggy Sison ('89), Ferdie Pascual ('90) and Guillaume de Lapeyrière (90) and wife Alice enjoyed a gathering in January which included introductions of their children. Iggy and Moo's children: Aya (16) and Noa (13) Guillaume and Alice's Children: Alexis (13), Eloise (10) and Iann (7).



**'89**  
**Ken Ando** moved 5 minutes down the road from his former home. He is now even closer to horse racing tracks, sporting facilities and Suntory beer factory! Then after all this betting and drinking, the largest cemetery in Tokyo awaits near by! Ken is with the Asahi Shimbun's International group. **Jonathan King** is Dean of Business and Workforce Development at Evergreen Valley College's. Learn more at <http://www.evc.edu/bat/> **Hideyuki Jitsuyama** was back in Japan for a little while but his international leadership talents were again called upon, and since March he has been working in one of Sony group companies in Korea (near Pusan) as a director. **Yoshikuni Hirayama** has been back in Japan for over 2 years now, returning from the US to take a role in Overseas R&D Promotion Center for Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. **Ahmad Rashid Malik** is a Research Fellow (East Asia) at the Islamabad Policy Research Institute (IPRI) and just published a major work entitled Pakistan-Japan Relation: Continuity and Change in Economic Relations and Security Interests (London & New York: Routledge 2008). The 256 page volume, dedicated in part to his friends at IUJ, will go on sale in September with pre-sales open now! Congratulations.



Yaoyu's (IM96) daughter Haruna

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Brent (IM97) speaks on campus

**IR90**  
**Zulqarnain Anjum** has been stationed for a 6 month tour in Dadaab, Kenya. Dadaab is a small village near Kenya-Somalia Border and there are some 175,000 refugees. He is working as Programme Officer for the Emergency Response Team. His daughters have settled in to their new school in Nairobi.

**IM90**  
**Masaya Hirayama** relocated from Singapore to Hanoi with Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation. **Tom Steen**, along with his role at Natural

Selection Investments, has joined DDX Capital Partners as Managing Partner, Business Development. In this new role at DDX, Tom will spearhead DDX's business development efforts as well as bring added experience and strength to their derivative trading and risk management efforts. **Masanobu Ohsaki** is now with Fuji Xerox Interfield Co., Ltd. as their CIO and Director of Info Systems.

**IR91**  
**Jashim Uddin**, based in Chicago working as a finance and budget specialist, recently traveled back to Bangladesh. He wrote in: "I was deeply impressed by the hospitality I received from the villagers of my native village Birnarayonpur, Senbag Thana, Noakhali. I was there to officially inaugurate Ibrahim Memorial Foundation (in memory of my late father), through which we have been operating a free elementary school and library since 2001. My finding was that, the rural people were happier with our politeness than our charitable donations. They deserve to get respect regardless of their economic status and were happy with a little of that." **Ho Kang** is the Director of the Korea International Trade Association.

**IM91**  
**Erik Newton** continues his work at NetFlix, "the world's largest online movie rental service" as their Head of Search Marketing, Online Acquisition

**IR92**  
**Viswa Ghosh** has joined TopTech Informatics in Tokyo, and has been in helpful communications with campus for job introductions. THANKS Viswa! **Nobuhiko Ishihara** is now the General Manager of JVC Company of American, on loan from Victor Co. of Japan, Ltd.

**IM92**  
 You can find **David Iacobacci** in California hard at work at Cisco Systems as a systems engineer in Cisco's IT Remote Access Services group.

**IR93**  
**Ike Anyanwu**, in Nagaoka, has set up a 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Memory Sharing site for those in the Class of 1993! You need a password to enter the site, but here is the link. <http://www.iuj93.com> Ask Ike for the password, and do share your stories! [info@pjnet.com](mailto:info@pjnet.com)

**IM93**  
**Atsushi Otsuyama** led the project team for Kikkoman to create and introduce their new corporate logo which was announced in the Nikkei Shimbun in June. Congratulations on the successful launch! SO when you notice a new look to the Kikkoman products think of your IUJ friend!

**IR94**  
**Atsushi Yada** can be found at the Meiji University Law School! **Li Meng** shifted from Matsushita Battery to Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. in their purchasing department as a "Councilor."

**IM94**  
**Shobha Padmagiriswaran** and **Fabio Silva** are both with Merrill Lynch Securities in NYC.

**IR95**  
**Christopher Domitter** is still living in Yokohama with his wife Sachiko.

He is into his 3rd year at Standard Chartered as Head of Corporate Affairs for Japan. You may recall Christopher is a semi-professional photographer who has supplied IUJ with a large quantity of its stock photography. Some recent exciting news is that Patagonia has sponsored an exhibition of his work at their Yokohama and Kobe stores through June. He will be launching a new website soon to showcase his work, so please try googling his name now and then to catch the latest news. **Tadashi Hakamata** is settling in to his new role in Hong Kong for Shinko Securities CO., LTD.

**IM95**  
**Yang, Tao** welcomed his second child, Seira, in May. Her birth brought his parents to Hong Kong before the China Earthquake struck which helped his family stay safe. Yang is now Director of Business Development for Pirelli Asia. **Bill Pappani**, posing here with a Buddha statue, is the plant controller at HADCO, one of the world's largest manufacturers of advanced electronic interconnect products.



Bill (05)

**IR96**  
**Svein Giskegjerde** got married a year ago April in Norway with Miho Ogawa from Nara. Recently, he changed careers and is now working for Emisoft, a leading company in the field of environmental management and environmental accounting systems such as CO2 emissions and footprinting, waste, etc.

**IM96**  
**Yappy Baltazar** moved on from Tokyo to Manila to take the role of Director, Structure Product Sales at ING Bank. **Munadi Umar** relocated to Jakarta with Citibank as Vice President, Japanese Unit Head, Indonesia. **Hachiro Kuwajima** is now with NTT Data Institute of Management Consulting, Inc., in the Financial Service Consulting group whose main clients are financial institutions. **Testuya Furusawa** joined Mercer Japan recently. **Yaoyu Yang** and wife Yoko welcomed baby daughter Haruna to their life in late May!

**IR97**  
**Prasanna Ganesh** took on a Sr. HR Coordinator role for Toyota Europe in Brussels. **Kiyomi Fujioka** received a promotion to Vice President with antfactory International Pte Ltd in Singapore.

**IM97**  
**Brent Mori** was back on campus to speak to the Mobile Consumer Lab group in his capacity as Country Managing Director of Opera Software International AS, a "rival" of Microsoft. He states that his career is all about "making cool technology into successful business"

**IR98**  
**Jesse Szeto** just moved to Madison, Wisconsin to follow his wife's, Nikki, dream job. He is now "on the prowl" for his next career move.

**IM98**  
**Kazuhiro Toyoda** started to work for Schroders Investment Management (Japan) in April as a Japanese equity fund manager after 18 years at Nippon Life. **Hisataka Chinju** is back in Japan from Switzerland and just missed the 10<sup>th</sup> year gathering of his class in Tokyo! He continues with Japan Tobacco.

**IR99**

**Olivia Jensen** made a major transition from London to Shanghai and is now General Manager of IPA Economics in Shanghai.

**IM99**

**Visveswaran Prabhakaran** left the Monetary Authority of Singapore in July last year to head the risk management function at Olam, an agri-commodity supply chain manager based in Singapore. The new role is challenging as Olam has operations in around 50 countries. It is also exciting as now he is dealing with tangible assets like coffee, sugar, etc., unlike my previous roles where my focus was on equities and bonds which were more abstract in nature. Also commodities is an interesting area to be in as the boundaries between food, feed, and fuel are fast evaporating. I am looking forward to meeting my fellow IUJ alumni in some of the countries Olam has operations. **James Graham** welcomed his son into the world a few months ago. James has recently launched a joint venture called T2 Tokyo ([www.t2tokyo.co.jp](http://www.t2tokyo.co.jp)) with Talent2 International with offices in the Kasumigaseki building.



James (99) poses with son Masayuki Jakob

**IR00**

**Amy Perry** began working at Ogeechee Technical College in Statesboro, Georgia establishing an ESL program and organizing other resources for the international community within Southeast Georgia.

**IM00**

**Thuy Le Thi Thu** and husband **Neil Hagan** (IM99) moved to Singapore in May. They will cover Global Real Estate for Lehman in Vietnam, Singapore and Thailand, and Neil will manage a newly formed capital entity "Capital Services Technologies" as Managing Director. Catch them sending each other happy hour drinks on FaceBook!

**IR01**

**Maral Madieva-Martin** welcomed her little girl Gabrielle, a year ago already! She and



Maral's ('01) husband with their little girl

her husband moved out of England and settled in Paris. She continues to pursue her PhD from Queen's University Belfast but from Paris!

**IM01**

**Haijun "Tommy" Huang** is relocated with BlackRock to Beijing, as Representative of BlackRock's Beijing Office. He moved back to China from New York last September. "It is very nice to be back to my home country after living overseas for eight years."

**IR02**

**Takanobu Shin** has resurfaced! He has been living in Chiba prefecture, and continues work in the medical device industry first with J&J, then with Panasonic for four years in western Japan and now with Smiths Medical Japan in Tokyo. Wedding bells will ring for Shin-san in November. Congratulations.

**IM02**

**Koichiro Akahori** started his own company in April. We look forward to the details! **Yasu Kojima** took up the managerial role for JR East's Higashi-Kanagawa Conductors Office which covers those conductors boarding Keihin-Tohoku line and Yokohama line.

**IR03**

**Mizuho Mizzy (Kiryama) Shibahara** had her second son in February! **Kazuoyoshi Inokuchi** is back in Japan after 3 year duty in South Africa. He is now working at the Mitsubishi UFJ Research & Consulting in Tokyo, in charge of development issues, especially African development. **Maxwell Oteng** celebrated the birth of daughter number two in March. In the photo is big sister Abena with baby Akua. **Ha Phan** began to work for the World Bank - Viet Nam Office as Team Assistant for Rural Development Section. **Ali Itani** is engaged!! He is in Kuwait as the Political Analyst for the CEO of KGL.

**IM03**

**David Lou** got married in Taiwan in late May. Some alumni including **Takayo Karasuyama** attended! **Sai Keung "Richard" Tang** joined Merrill Lynch Securities in April, and challenged the CFA in June (along with many other IUJers!). **Shavkat Usmanov** has risen to the post of Assurance Senior, Assurance and Advisory Business Services for Ernst & Young in Uzbekistan. **Gookwan Ban** is now in Korea with Corning as their Sr. Financial Analyst. **Jake Cameron** is back in Japan, with the Toyota Motors HQ working closely with General Manager Tetsuya Kaida. **Jon Winslow** is the CFO at Ceratech Asia Pacific Holdings Ltd., and enjoys his young family every minute he can.

**IR04**

**Chen Chen Lee**, after 2 years in Cambodia, is now working with UNIFEM Asia-Pacific & Arab States on their Regional Programme on Empowering Women Migrant Workers in Asia, based in Bangkok.

**IM04**

**Apichai Kanjanapalakun** started a new position at JP Morgan in Tokyo. **Satoshi Arai** went on a business trip to Jakarta and met up with many classmates, and new IUJ friends.



Satoshi (04) and Jakarta friends

**IR05**

**Nor Badroddin** is working hard at the Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development, in Malaysia. She reports that Marissa is now 7 and has started primary school already, while her second child Ayshah is now 2 years old! **Jorge Primavera** is pursuing a second master's degree, this time in JAPANESE at Kyoto University's Faculty of Economics in

Japanese Economic History. **Han "Ami" Chen** sent in a photo of **Akita-sensei's** night job of Karaoke!



**IM05**

**Zhang Long** had a baby girl "Sissi" in February. Zhang continues with National Audit Office of China.

**IR06**

**Jessie Yaun** is in Washington, DC. She just finished a role in the Business Development Department at Meridian International Center, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting face-to-face diplomacy through one-way professional exchanges through the State Department. In August she starts a full-time teaching post at Thurgood Marshall Academy Charter School in DC teaching Spanish to inner-city High School Students, while continuing as an Adjunct Professor at American University teaching the Spanish language, culture and history to undergraduates. In her spare time, she enjoys taking advantage of her capital's splendor, including visiting the Tidal Basin area and the various memorials and the National Cherry Blossom Festival. **Abdul Haji Julay** visited campus, posing here with Sakai-san and Abe-san. He works with the ASEAN Secretariat in the Research Office.

**IM06**

**Al Nahian Riyadh** (Ebiz) married in March to Saima. He is now a research student at the School of Information Systems, Technology & Management, Australian School of Business, University of New South Wales. **Marcelo Honores** won a scholarship from SAP to take a certification course in Business Intelligence, winning one of 20 scholarships among 1,500 applications. After the course ended in March, he was offered a job with a SAP subsidiary! He also just got his JAVA certification.

**IR07**

**Linda Kotze** first enjoyed exciting work at the Japan Embassy in South Africa before taking on a community service and development organization specializing in microfinance role in Johannesburg. **Hiroki Tanno** started his PhD pursuits at Waseda. **Milan Karki** is in charge of media monitoring for European Union Election Observation Mission in Nepal.

**IM07**

**Evelyn Ng** is currently working in Goldman Sachs, Tokyo. When not busy with work, she has her hands full preparing for the CFA examination and planning her wedding which will be held later this year. **Timur Ganiev** is Head of Strategy and Development at Blackstone Capital in Kazakhstan. **Bryan Copeland** is running BCMoney MobileTV in Tokyo. **Tomiyama Shota** is already giving guest lectures to campus!

**Class of 2008\***

A large class graduated in late June: 88 from GSIR, including the first graduates from the new International Peace Studies program; and 55 in the MBA program. Congratulations to the two Valedictorians: **Osamu Yoshioka** (NSK Ltd.) for GSIR and **Kazuhiro Tanaka** (Fuji Xerox) for MBA.



Zhang's (05) baby



Maxwell's (03) babies



Ali (03) and his fiancé.



Jon's (03) young family



Abdul (06) on campus with Sakai-san and Abe-san



Riyadh (06) weds



Shota (07) gives a campus lecture



Tamaru-sensei welcomes many recent graduates to her Tokyo home.

\*22 Ebiz graduates will join our Alumni Association in late August.

## “Love” Project

IUJ is involved in a city-wide effort to promote an upcoming NHK drama about a Samurai War-lord from this region, Kanatsugu NAOE. This samurai used the kanji for “Love” or “Ai” on his helmet and would refuse to continue fighting an army that was retreating.

Naoe is also known for his leadership, when a boy, to create a process to irrigate and thus begin to cultivate the fields of our area. Before this time (late 16th century), this area could not grow rice, but today our rice is among the best in the world.

IUJers were asked to get involved by sharing the word for “Love” in their language, and a statement of phrase for what love means to them or to their country. The goal was 50 different nationalities and territories. So far 47 have been collected! Here are a few examples.

**Cambodia:** “Love is devotion with a smile”

**Czech Republic:** “Love is when the happiness of someone else makes you happier than your own happiness.”

**Denmark:** “The word for LOVE stems from the word “honesty.”

**India:** “Where there is great love there are always miracles.”

**Italy:** “Life without love is like a sky without stars.”

**Korea:** “Love gets bigger when you share it.”

**Malaysia:** “Love in the heart brings a thousand happinesses, and that makes the world a beautiful place to live in”

**Kuwait:** “Love can and will bring peace to the whole world.”

**Kyrgyzstan:** “Love is not gazing at each other, but in looking outward together in the same direction.” (Antoine de Saint-Exupery)

**Thai:** “Love is giving without expecting. Expecting leads to misery” (Buddhist principle)

**USA:** “That love exists in a world fraught with turmoil proves that there is always a reason to hope for peace.”



Kanatsugu NAOE (1560-1620), famed for his “Ai” on his samurai helmet. An NHK drama series, entitled Tenchijin, about his life will be filmed in IUJ’s city. For information see <http://www.tenchijin.jp/>



Students were encouraged to provide an image or design of the word or phrase for Love in their language. This is Love in an artistic Arabic script, by Ahmed El Kotb (MBA08) from Egypt.



Vishal Joshi (MBA06) gives career advice to the Finance Club.

## Thank You!



Volunteers to the Info Sessions in Tokyo are much appreciated.



Metete Yazici (MBA96) gives a Conflict Management Workshop.



Aamir Arain (IR99) lectures on the inner workings of the UN.

## Job Hunting??

IUJ Alumni in the job hunt are welcomed to

- Sign up for the Job Hunters Email list
- Join MBAExchange.com under the IUJ umbrella

For more information, please see the Job Hunters Info tab on the Alumni Directory /Profile website.

## Toda-san Retires

Mr. Yoichi Toda, one of the original managers of IUJ, retired in the Spring after serving IUJ from its inception. Many on staff sent him off with dinner a party and Karaoke!



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### FaceBook Network

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