

A newsletter for the 3,248 members of the IUJ Alumni Association, from over 110 countries, 1985-2012

New 1-year MBA Program Established

In response to the acute need of Japanese corporations to nurture global managers, GSIM has

ically caters to the Japanese business world, and students are expected to be **nominated by their employer to come to IUJ, have at least 5 years of corporate experience, and slated for international business leadership positions when they return to their hosting companies.** This program will serve as a tool to quickly and effectively strengthen the abilities of Japanese company personnel to lead

and manage international teams and cross-border projects. Through the 1-year MBA, IUJ hopes to significantly contribute to the true globalization of Japan, crucial for Japan to continue to be a strong and confident player in Asia and beyond.

IUJ President Masakatsu Mori shares his goals for the new fast-track MBA: *"This will be the number one program for quickly developing global business leaders!"*

グローバル人材パートナーシップ

～国際大学をグローバルリーダー育成の再重要拠点に～

詳しい内容はバナーをクリック!



The new 1-year MBA program was first announced to IUJ Global Partnership companies and HR Network Conference participants in May.

launched a One-Year MBA and will start accepting students in September 2013. The program specif-

ICT Specialization and New Institutional Ties

The recently implemented MA in Public Management degree in the Public Management and Policy Analysis Program will have a new offering from next year: a track focusing on ICT management skills for large public organizations. The track aims at increasing IT savvy among government staff in the developing world.

GSIR also recently signed a Technical Academic Agreement (TAA) with Syiah Kuala University to develop a new linkage program for Indonesian officials of the Banda Aceh region still affected by the tsunami that hit in 2004.

GSIM has signed an MoU with The Mongolian University of Science and Technology (MUST) for an

upcoming linkage program, and with IIM Bangalore for an exchange program.

Many more tie-ups for both schools are in the works. Watch for more announcement and check the IUJ News Page.

<http://www.iuj.ac.jp/news/>

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3 University Project Launched

IUJ, Meiji University, and Rikkyo University signed an agreement on academic collaboration to nurture young people to contribute to international cooperation. Together, the 3 universities will develop academic programs to train personnel contributing to international cooperation and the construction of a human network. As part of this agreement, the EPIC Program will launch this September: *English Pro-*

gram for International Cooperation. This program, jointly developed, will be of-

ferred for 9 days at IUJ to not only foster English communication skills, but also enhance in the undergraduate students a more global understanding.



(From left) IUJ President Mori, Meiji President Miyafuku, and Rikkyo President Yoshioka

At the signing ceremony, IUJ President Mori said *"There is more and more demand for global leaders who can solve problems in*

harmony with the international community. I hope that this summer program will be useful toward our aim of training such leaders, and that some of them will join IUJ in the future to further their expertise."

“The Alumni Association is **our** association. All of us are expected to play our own role.”

**Celebrate
IUJ's
30th
Anniversary:**

**Attend an IUJ
WorldWide Fri-
day nearest you
September 7.**

See back page for details.

A Letter from the Chair of the Executive Council

Dear Fellow Alumni,

Hope you are all well as the summer heats arrive. I am Ken Takai newly elected Chair of Executive Council (EC), Alumni Association. I would like to share with you what is on my mind regarding “my understanding of the Alumni Association and the EC”, and “my determination as the Chair and my expectation to all alumni.”

Before moving forward, I thank you for your generous donations to help current IUJ students who are in need of emergency stipend support. For your participation to the fund raising drive promoted recently, eight students will be able to continue their studies at IUJ. Details about the campaign are reported in a separate article, but please let me appreciate your cooperation.

Arigato Gozaimasu.

It is my honor to work for the association in the memorable time for IUJ. I promise you that I will put my best effort in order to deliver something new and something better to you all.

As you may be aware, it is IUJ's 30 years anniversary this year and the same anniversary for the association will follow next year. I am more than happy to celebrate a course of anniversaries with you. At the same time, I would like to revitalize the Alumni Association which consists of about 3,300 alumni in 112 countries and territories

around the world. The unique nature of IUJ alumni association is its diversity. However, it causes a big

challenge for EC to serve such diversity. I believe that EC should be a hub for the whole alumni association. But the diversity gives EC some difficulties like hearing individual expectations of the association, prioritizing events led by EC, and providing benefits that meet a variety of demands. The history of EC



The newly elected Alumni Association Executive Council, servicing through March 2015, with IUJ Pres M. Mori. From left to right they are: N. Teramachi, Y. Takagaki, K. Takai, Nikola, Jason, Judy, S. Sonoda and T. Inagaki.

had been to try to tackle the challenge. I greatly appreciate the continuous efforts done by past members of the EC. What I think I should do is to add something new in my three years service upon what previous EC had accomplished.

In order to make myself clear, I establish a 3A policy as a guiding principle for the current EC, which I declared at the last general meeting.

The 3As are:

Active:

be more **Active** to increase awareness

Accessible:

be more **Accessible** to alumni around the world

Appealing:

be more **Appealing** from a view point of the alumni

I will work with my fellow EC members following the principles above. I would

appreciate your feedback to our activities at any time. Please feel free to write a few lines and send it to recently opened new e-mail account of the EC stated at the end of this message. Another area which I would like to focus is to foster two dimensions of networking among the alumni.

As you know, one of fundamental objectives that the association has is to encourage friendship among the alumni. Imagine what does the words “among the alumni” mean. We have in fact two dimensions of relationship. One is horizontal relationship such as batch mate and/or friends from the same graduating year. Another is vertical relationship like alumni whose year of graduation is much different. I firmly believe that the vertical relationship gives us much value. In fact IUJ has

30 years of history. Our range of alumni is from class of 1985 to class of 2012. Why don't we encourage networking across classes?

The Alumni Association is our association. All of us are expected to play our own role. I promise you I devote myself as the Chair of EC. So, please help me to get things done. Your opinions, ideas, and participation to the events of the association would be highly appreciated. You can reach me at

alumni-ec@iuj.ac.jp

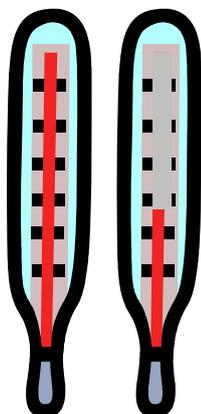
Thank you in advance for your input.

Kind regards,

Ken Takai
Chair, Executive Council
IUJ Alumni Association

- Member, IUJ Board of Councilors
- 3-term EC member
- Former IM Council Member (2001-2002)

Alumni Respond to Help 8 in the Class of 2013: ThANKS Fund update



As of July 30, we reached the urgent goal, and are 28% of the way to our ThANKS Fund goal. Please be involved.

In April this year, IUJ received news from JASSO that the number of scholarship slots allocated to IUJ would be decreased from 35 to 11. This put several 1st year students in crisis for funding their living expenses until the next JASSO application time in October.

To help, IUJ decided to try to create a 1-time urgent allowance fund by asking alumni for support. We hoped to raise enough money to offer special scholarships for a few months. In cooperation with the EC Chair, Ken Takai, an urgent message was emailed out. Within a few days the alumni responded with generous support, and enough money was raised to help 8 stu-

dents with expenses in Japan through next October (we are confident they will be again awarded the JASSO stipend)!

THANK YOU.

The 2nd part of the urgent fundraising campaign could then begin.

We alumni have been providing a scholarship to 2nd year students who have been contributing to improve campus life and international integration through the ThANKS Fund, The Alumni-NaKayama Scholarship Fund. Donations had stopped coming in, and the ThANKS Fund only had enough money to provide for 1 more academic year (through June 2013).

Alumni continued to give in this new drive, and as of July 30, we stand at 28.2% of our target of 6,000,000 to allow us to offer this stipend scholarship for 3 more years.

If you can be involved with even a small donation to help reach our goal, please donate online or ask for bank wire information.

For a list of donors, to watch our progress, and to donate please see www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/donations/

"I am feeling proud to support the school that provided very useful knowledge and analyzing skills for my career and a unique living and cultural experience.

To all alumni, IUJ has provided us an opportunity to improve our lives. Please help IUJ to give the same opportunity to other students."

Sethy You,
GSIR 2005 from Cambodia

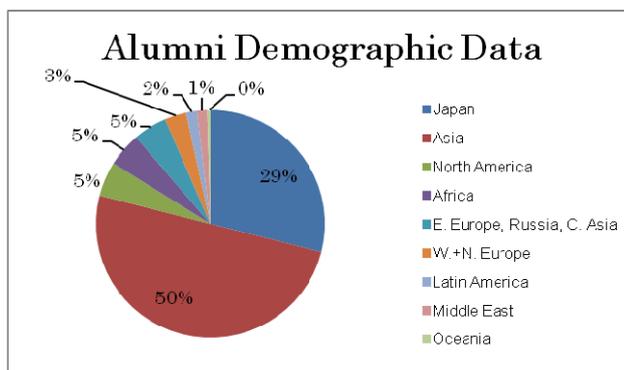
Alumni Demographics

In June, our association grew by 185 alumni members representing 35 countries—this is the single largest group to graduate from IUJ ever.

In our 30th Anniversary year, IUJ alumni now totals 3,248 alumni members from 112 countries (9 more will join in late August with the Ebiz graduation)

Men 2,430 : Women 818

GSIR 1,917 : GSIM 1,331



Hats off to the June Graduates



The ceremony took place in a packed hall with guest speaker Mr. Ken Shibusawa, President of the Japan Center for International Exchange. He described a new world order where businesses contribute to society along with striving for a profit: this is a shift from the theories of Nobel winner M. Freedom, which focuses exclusively on businesses making money, to the theories by Nobel winner M. Yunus, Grameen Bank, where the two goals are mutually inclusive. Businesses now have the responsibility of not only working for shareholders but contributing to world development and thus peace. "You are well prepared, trained and able to build on this new business model in your area of professionalism." He closed his remarks by saying, "Stay connected. Lead for peace."

Showcase: Leading their Companies

IUJ boasts 3,248 graduates from 112 countries and territories. Of these alumni, 2,200 are working in the business sector. Within the business sector we have identified about 200 alumni, or about 9% who are at the top of their respective companies, be it a large multinational, a major company in their country, or their own start-up companies. Below, we highlight some of those company leaders (by year of graduation), with their permissions and support.

See the IUJ Alumni Homepage for MORE Showcased company leaders from 1992 on: www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/

Mr. Tsutomu Shirakawa, Chairman Astomos Energy Co., Ltd. (Tokyo) MA 1985			Mr. Masataka Jo, President & CEO Greater China Operations, Fuji Xerox China Limited (Shanghai) MA 1985 - Japan
Mr. James Gollin, President JDG, Inc. (New Mexico, USA) MA 1985 - USA			Mr. Toshihiro Uchiyama, Director, Member of the Board of Directors NSK Ltd. (Tokyo) MA 1985 - Japan
Mr. Yasuhiro Kamio, Executive Officer, CEO and President of Subsidiaries NSK Ltd. (Singapore) MA 1986 - Japan			Mr. Takashi Saeki, Chairman of the Board TOHO GAS Co., Ltd. (Aichi) MA 1988 - Japan
Mr. Kazuhiro Akitomo, President Hitachi Metals Europe, GmbH MA 1988 - Japan			Mr. David Kaput, Senior Vice President & Chief HR Officer ACCO Brands Corporation (IL, USA) MA 1989 - USA
Mr. Ignacio Sison, CFO Del Monte Pacific Ltd. (Manila) MA 1989 - Philippines			Mr. Toshiya Ishibashi, President SS Pharmaceutical (Tokyo) MA 1989 - Japan
Mr. Yin Chuanli, CEO and Chairman Worldwide City Holdings Ltd (China) MA 1989 - USA/China			Mr. Katsuaki Furutachi, Chief Fund Manager, Asahi Life Asset Management Co., Ltd. (Tokyo) MBA 1990 - Japan
Mr. Masanobu Ohsaki, President Asia-Pacific Business Links (Tokyo) MA 1990 - Japan			Mr. James Fiorillo, CEO (Founder) eXcape Entertainment Group (Tokyo) MBA 1990 - USA
Mr. James Biolos, President Launch Publishing and CFO/COO Farylrobin Footwear (NY USA) MBA 1990 - USA			Mr. Hideyuki Kawashima, President Mizuho Securities Asia (Hong Kong) MBA 1990 - Japan
Mr. Theodore Lo, Head of Debt Capital Markets - Japan RBS Securities Japan Limited (Tokyo) MBA 1990 - Taiwan			Mr. Paul Consalvi, Managing Director WebMarketing (Tokyo) MA 1991 - USA

See more online!

Showcase: Academic Researchers



DR. KATSUHIKO MORI
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Professor, Department of Politics and International Relations

Specializes in Global Governance, Global Environment and Sustainable Development



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Specializes in Market Research, Social Research, and Environmental Impact Assessment in Myanmar



DR. M. MATSUMOTO
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Academic work on Chinese national integration: Islam in China, the Sino-Japanese War and post-colonial situations, non-formal education and empowerment of Muslim women in China



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HNIN NU HLAING
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Alum's Start-up Awarded Major Contract



Farshid (Ebiz04), with former faculty member Kuschu to lead the way for e-Government in Afghanistan through advisory and training programs.

The Ministry of Communications and IT, Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, under a grant from the World Bank awarded the **Mobile Government Advisory Services** contract to **Mobile Government Consortium International (mGCI)**, UK in association with **NETLINKS Ltd**, Afghanistan.

Under this consultancy contract, the team will be responsible for providing m-Government advisory services to mainstream m-Government in Afghanistan. In addition, mGCI will train over 140 Afghan Government Professionals on m-Government issues.

The consultancy services will also include formulating the m-Government strategy for the government of Afghanistan.

About MGCI

mGCI evolved from mGovLab research group in IUJ back in 2003 founded by Prof Ibahim Kuschu, Farshid Ghyasi (eBiz 04), Betty Yu (eBiz 04), Mohammad Yunus Awan (eBiz 04).

mGCI is a leading non-profit organization re-inventing the ways public organizations and the society use mobile technologies. As a consortium of institutions and professionals from public sector, private sector and research institutions, it serves to develop, promote and monitor mobile services and applications that benefit the various societies in the world. mGCI's major operations include research & development, training, conferences and educational events.

www.mgovernment.org

About NETLINKS

NETLINKS Ltd is the largest software development and ICT consultancy company in Afghanistan. NETLINKS serves a wide variety of clients including the government, private sector, international organizations and NGOs. NETLINKS Ltd was founded by Farshid Ghyasi (eBiz 2004) in the year 2004 after returning back to Afghanistan after IUJ.

www.netlinks.af



IUJers Supporting Women's Cottage Industry in Manipur India



Binapani "Devi" Kongbrailatpam, IDP2012

Unlike other parts of India, women have always played a very important role in the socio-economic life of Manipur. They work hard but still live in poverty. They are semi-skilled and produce their products from locally available resources, handing down the skills from generation to generation.

The products they produce, like mats, baskets, trays, bags, etc are used in every household and it is a part of the deep rooted tradition and culture of the people of Manipur. Yet, the challenge they face is reaching a market where they can sell more and get a better price. They are facing much competition from the inflow of products from neighboring Myanmar as

well. This has highly affected the local producers, not only in handicraft sector but the handloom sector too.

With the help of my IUJ friends, we met some of the local handicraft dealers around IUJ, including the IUJ Shop, and they expressed interest in these products. The Global Concerns Forum of IUJ, along with other volunteers and support from the local people, are helping establish a small business to promote these products in Niigata.

The support I got from my friends, especially my Japanese friends for this project is simply amazing. Attending meetings, researching potential partners such as Fairtrade and Motherhouse, helping me to meet buyers in Nagaoka, and potentially

creating a website, are just a few ways they are supporting. We created a company called MaNippon Global <https://www.facebook.com/ManipponGlobal> ! We will be participating in Earth Day Market in Tokyo on 5th Sept., 2012 It is so very touching because this is all for the people of Manipur.

Manipur (with Imphal as the capital) is very historically important to many Japanese as the Japanese soldiers fought against the British during the second world war here. Still today, many Japanese visit Manipur every year to pay their floral tribute to their forefathers. There is a Japanese War Memorial Park - a must-visit spot in the state.



Aflatoun Seeks Partners for Child Education

Nancy Refki, IDP05

I recently joined a company close to my heart. **Aflatoun** is a secretariat for a global network of partner organizations in over 80 countries, that implement social and financial education for children and youth, in schools and non-formal education settings. The program involves child rights and education, and practicing saving and enterprise. We have been looking for potential partner organizations based in Japan, and we are happy to promote our organization and program in the IUJ alumni newsletter.

The secretariat involves its partners in capacity-building (training of train-

ers and teacher training, with emphasis on child-friendly and participatory learning methodologies), curriculum development, and regional and international meetings for networking and sharing of programmatic experiences. We also assist partners with monitoring and evaluation of their Aflatoun program.

The Aflatoun books and learning materials are in regional sets in English, French, Spanish, and Arabic. Some materials have also been developed in Russian and Portuguese. These are open source and can be freely used by Aflatoun partners. In a diverse

region like Asia, the regional set in English is further translated and contextualized by Aflatoun partners to suit the local context. Since Aflatoun is not a funder, we present our program as content that can complement existing programs, and we have a preference to partner with strategic organizations that can implement with scale.

Interested? Please contact me, or my colleague,

Ms Bernice Roldan,

Program Manager - Asia, at bernice@aflatoun.org.

www.aflatoun.org



Aflatoun is a fireball from outer space who teaches children about their rights and about money.

“The program involves child rights and education...”

Because you asked . . .

Recently, an IUJ alum from the '80s expressed surprise to Gretchen about the number of students sponsored by JICA and other organizations. I provide this info to help you all catch up with our many generous sponsors.



Scholarship Partners Today

IUJ campus today highly benefits from associations with major scholarship providers. We are both honored and humbled to provide graduate education to help these organizations' missions.

Just less than 1/3rd of our students are sponsored by JICA in the JDS program: **Japanese Grant Aid for Human Resource Development Scholarship (JDS)**.

The **JICA PEACE Program** and the **World Bank SPIR-IT** program brings government officials from Afghanistan and Indonesia, respectively, to campus in increasing numbers.

The Japan-IMF Scholarship Program, in a new 7-year contract with IUJ, first entrusts IUJ to provide a summer program to all their scholars, government officials in their countries, After the summer, some stay at IUJ and the others go to their respective schools: GRIPS, Waseda or Hitotsubashi.

The **Asian Development Bank, World Bank** and **MEXT** continue to sponsor IUJers every year.

Our corporate partners are highly valued for their generous scholarship sponsorship. They include **Konosuke Matsushita Me-**

morial Foundation (KMMF, Formerly MIF) of Panasonic, **Mitsubishi UFJ Trust Scholarship Foundation, Sojitz Foundation, AEON 1% Club**, and new sponsors concluding agreements at the time of writing.

Niigata prefecture, too, began offering scholarships through the **Niigata International Association (NIA)** with the mission of creating stronger ties between IUJ students/graduates and Niigata prefecture.

Another scholarship provider is YOU through the **ThANKS Fund** donations!

www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/donations

“We are both honored and humbled to provide graduate education to help these organizations' missions.”

Celebrating the 30th Anniversary World Wide



IUJ World Wide Friday is Sept. 7 near you!

As of July 30, the following Chapter Leaders have sent in their plans:

Tokyo, Japan: Contact Ken T. and Norimasa T. and Nikola I.

Nairobi, KENYA: Contact Joseph S.

Accra, Ghana: Contact Ama

Istanbul, Turkey: Contact Ilgin

Dhaka, Bangladesh: Contact Quazi

Mumbai, India: Contact Vikram G

Gardena, CA, USA: Contact Allen W. (Yaobian)

Singapore: Contact Bogdan and Desiree

Chapter Leaders, please reply to Gretchen with event info in your area.

Details and updates at www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/events/

Who is your chapter leader? Please see the list at <http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/association/>

IUJ Videos with Easier Access

Revisit campus online through our upgraded Video Presentations at

<http://video.google.com/a/?tab=cv&pli=1#/Home>

You need a Google account to view them, but we hope you come back to campus virtually and share in the graduation ceremonies, IUJ Memories videos, and upcoming campus events, speakers and more.

Alumni Sharing Special Moments



Visiting campus: Shamim Ahmed (IR90) to play, Yangyang Xu (IDP08) showing campus to her parents with Makusu Hashiba (IDP08), and Felix Langenbach (Ebiz04) recruiting for his company, Nespresso

IUJ Fridays in Tokyo are a growing success thanks to the leadership of EC members Nikola and Teramachi-san



Wedding celebrations for Anki Winkler (IPSP10) and Katsushi Yamauchi (MBA10)



Andreas Renfer (center, MBA08) organized an IUJ gathering in Zurich with Jouni Harjunmaa (IUJ exchange student fall 2006 from Finland), Mai Nguy (MBA 2008) Christine Palacpac (E-Biz 2007) and Pradipta Parhi (MBA 2008)



Naresh Makhijani (Lower Left, MBA93) and Iggy Sisson (Lower Right, IR89) continue to



Naresh Makhijani, CEO of OTI, receiving the award from Director General of Ministry of Trade, Indonesia

receive awards for their roles in their companies, and keep strong ties with their classmates Robert Jones (Upper Left, MBA92) and Hanafi Guciano (Upper right, IR89).

