

IUJ Alumni News

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Newsletter for the 2,024 Strong World-wide Network of IUJ Alumni 1985-2004

Research Initiatives Launched

The IUJ Research Institute is dedicated entirely to the most fundamental and comprehensive understanding of social, political, economic and managerial challenges of the 21st century. The Institute draws together members of the IUJ research community and extends its collaborative efforts globally in the commitment to envisage and propose solutions to these challenges. Our research activities, grounded in real-world challenges, generate immediate value to the IUJ mission of serving as an educational platform for current and future leaders willing to meet these challenges.

During this winter term, the Research Institute solicited proposals for establishing research centers. We received four proposals, and three proposals were accepted for IUJ seed funding and other forms of support that the Institute can provide. They are:

- Chinese Economic and Business Center
Director: Professor Yuqing Xing
- Center for Organizational Dynamics and Innovation
Director: Professor Ibrahim Kushchu
- Center for Consumer Research in Interactive Environments
Director: Professor Glenn Mayhew

In addition to the usual research and publication activities expected at typical research centers of an academic institution, each Center of the Institute will drive the following efforts in shaping and pursuing its research objectives (*continued in far right column*):

CONGRATS!

The Alumni Association welcomes 52 GSIR graduates and 52 MBA graduates into our membership. In addition, on March 31 five GSIR students graduated, and coming in late August, twenty-nine in the Masters of E-business Management 1-year degree program will graduate.

Currently, our Alumni Association membership total is 2,024 graduates from over 90 countries and territories. Please see the June Graduation 2004 highlights on page 2-3. Featured are this year's Valedictorians Mr. Zubairu Wai (GSIR) from Sierra Leone heading to a PhD in Canada, and Mr. Tomohiko Sasano (GSIM), returning to his company Matsushita Electric Industries.

- **Value Proposition:** Each Center is expected to work closely with a set of external "outreach" organizations to identify and understand their challenges in order to craft research initiatives that will provide solutions or ideas needed by the outreach organization.
- **Collaborative Advantage:** Each Center is to build collaborative advantage globally for synergy and high impact research.
- **Educational Contribution:** Each Center is to create value for professional education through focused studies of today's leadership and management challenges.

Get involved - Become an Alumni Expert volunteer - see article pg. 11 and insert



IUJ's New Bus

A new 34-seat bus debuted on campus Spring Term, replacing the very old 28-seater. Students now enjoy 3 trips to JUSCO every Saturday and continuous shuttle service to and from Urusa Station, bank, shopping and the hospital.

IUJ Bus.jpg

New Van Needed!

Donate online!

<http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/donations/>

Bus Driver Shigeno-san and OSS' Sakai-san show off the new bus

GSIM Announces new Dean and 2 new Associate Deans

GSIM Dean Jay Rajasekera and Associate Dean Akitoshi Ito finished their service on June 30, 2004. Prof. Rajasekera remains on faculty, while Prof. Ito will move on to Canada.

The new GSIM Dean is Professor Chester Borucki with Professors Toshiro Wakayama and Glenn Mayhew serving as GSIM Associate Deans. Professor Mayhew will also assume the responsibility as Director of IUJ Research Institute.

Professor Akita continues as GSIR Dean and Program Directors are Professor Welfield for IRP, and Professor Watanabe for IDP. President Yamazawa continues the Directorship of MLIC.

Graduation - June 2004

M. Zubairu Wai Valedictory Speech - GSIR '04

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The GSIR Class of 2004, friends, family and loved ones, distinguished guests, faculty and staff, the deans of the graduate schools, the president and general secretary of IUJ, Mr. Chairman, all protocols observed:

*What we live with we learn; What we learn we practise;
What we practise we become; What we become has consequences;
Almost always, what we become has little to do with what we were meant to be.*

This poem is my story. Two years ago, I, as well as all of the graduating students of 2004 embarked on an academic sojourn at IUJ. Two years later that sojourn has come to an end and we are about to depart and go our separate ways in pursuit of our individual goals and aspirations. One important lesson I have learnt, that makes the afore-mentioned poem more meaningful to me is the fact that we are responsible for making ourselves, no matter how humble our origins or background. In Africa we say a child that washes its hands well can dine with kings. Today I dine with the elders of IUJ in my capacity as valedictorian of my class because I have washed my hands well. Where did I come from to have reached this far?

Getting to IUJ wasn't easy for many of us and surely being here for the first couple of weeks was even more challenging, if not frustrating. Our initial experience at IUJ was somewhat a culture shock and most of us felt bewildered and lost. No sooner had we arrived than we wanted to leave. For me personally, it was even more difficult given my background and the country that I come from. I arrived two weeks after the Term had begun. I had some family problems and I didn't have any money since I lost all my money in transit to Japan. But more

importantly, I come from one of the poorest countries in the world where education is still a luxury for a privileged few. For six years, after my undergraduate studies, I searched in vain for scholarships to further my education and for six years, until I stumbled on the IUJ website, all I got was disappointment and frustration. But even when IUJ gave me the scholarship, I still had to ask my friends abroad and the Ministry of Education in Sierra Leone to help me with the air fare as I couldn't afford it. Also, my country was, for almost a decade (between 1991 and 2000) engulfed by a debilitating, savage and brutal civil war. This made it even further difficult for me to realise my dream of furthering my education. First, my family lost everything during the war. Second, as a result of the war, even when I gained acceptance and scholarships to study in Britain and the US, I was refused the visas because I was a "potential immigrant" to those countries. The war its-

self was a traumatising and its effects cataclysmic. This is the background that I come from which is why standing here today is of particular significance to me, my family and loved ones.

Tree photo

GSIR Graduates help unveil their tree in the Alumni Forest

It was IUJ that gave me the opportunity to overcome six years of disappointments and frustrations and to realise my dreams. This is why despite its numerous problems, and sometimes its contradictions, inconsistencies, and unfulfilled expectations, IUJ is still a beautiful place. To some of us, especially those from developing and poor countries, IUJ represents hope, the opportunity for us to make something out of our lives. At IUJ, I (and I believe this goes for every one of us), found love and real friendship, even if we were sometimes faced with petty jealousies and envy. This is why I would want to go to Malaysia on vacation, and Rejani Kunjappan could trustingly give me the telephone number of her family so that they could accommodate me while I was in her country. This is why Allen Lewis would invite me to come and spend the summer with his family in Victoria, when he learnt that I was going on a PhD programme in Canada after graduating from IUJ; this is why Ken Owusu, who comes from Ghana, would agree to go see my family in Sierra Leone, after he returns home; and this is why Mark Holley and I can joke about our backgrounds and still feel comfortable.

Around the world in 80 days? No, at IUJ it's actually in less than a day! This is what IUJ has done for not only me but for all of us graduating today. For this reason, I want to appeal to the founders and sponsors of IUJ never to relent. Indeed there are times, I believe, that you may be asking yourselves whether in fact investing in IUJ is worthwhile, or whether the ideals of IUJ are being fulfilled. My only reply to you is, look at me and how far I have come. I will never be the same again, thanks to IUJ. There are many of us inside this hall who would tell similar stories about how IUJ has impacted our lives. Similarly, there are many out there who do not have the opportunity to realise their academic potential mainly because of the circumstances of birth. They need your support and are waiting for you to reach them. Your cause is a noble one and I lift up my hat to you.

Of course we all have our individual stories and experiences at IUJ. However as we head into our new and separate lives, we shouldn't forget the people around us who added meaning to our lives and made our two years at IUJ worthwhile. We should remember the good times and learn from those that were not so great, and take the knowledge and experiences with us forever. When we arrived at IUJ we wanted to leave the following day, but now that the time has come for us to leave, we find it hard to accept that we have to leave. The countdown to graduation was gruelling as we witnessed a cross juxtaposition of mixed emotions and feelings: excitement became mixed up with anxiety derived primarily from uncertainties about the future. "I always knew that looking back on the tears would make me laugh, what I didn't know was that looking back on the laughter could make me cry." As we graduate into the real world where dog eat dog and where blatant commercialism has replaced the virtues of good neighbourliness, we should remind ourselves that survival in that world is not an easy feat. We should not forget to keep our sanity and sense of humour, so that no matter what situation we find ourselves in, for better and for worse, we can always look back to laugh at ourselves and smile at the scheme of things.

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Zubairu Wai,
GSIR Valedictorian

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Thida photo
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Thida Heng IM Class
Rep, shows off her Diploma

structor, but you are also a wonderful dancer. Maybe if I had seen you dance before like the way you did on the night of the GSO graduation party, I would have registered for the Elementary Japanese Language course. **Professor Watanabe's** nocturnal skills are awe inspiring and fascinatingly admirable. Watanabe-sensei, your dedicated love for your profession is legendary and your students have tremendous respect for you. Keep up the good work. **Tanaguchi-sensei**, I hear you Love Tanzania as if it were Japan. I always say that anybody who has been to Africa would love it. Thank you for your love for Africa. One professor you would love to run into when feeling bored and down is **Professor Welfield**. Whenever you meet him, in the gym or shokudo, he is willing to talk. **Shee-sensei**, too bad we will no longer debate whether China will collapse or become a global hegemon. **Professor Okada**, you are my most favourite Japanese professor and thank you for the okonomiyaki dinner the other day. I save the last for our very own **Buszynski-sensei**. Your professional meticulousness is unrivalled, so also is your time management and knack for perfectionism. I will never forget how you shredded the first chapter of my thesis because it wasn't good enough, or how you made Rejanni almost cry by making her rewrite her second chapter. I guess Chen, Allen, Khagani, Greg, Vee and Aziz have similar stories too. You were always supportive and inspirational. Personally I am indebted to you. Thank you for straining the best out of me.

On behalf of the GSIR class of 2004, I would love to thank the IUJ staff especially Gretchen Shinoda and Masahiro Sakai for all their support to students. We know your job is difficult and we sometimes try to make it even impossible for you.

Let me end with this message to the Class of 2004, with excerpts of Max Erhmann's poem, Desiderata (see the box) ”

To our professors, yours is a difficult one. Many a time we are thankless and we tend to dislike you for pushing us too far for our own good. Of course time will not permit me to say all that I want to, so I have made an arbitrary selection based purely on my own judgement, informed by the numerous gossips we share as students about our professors.

Tamaru-sensei, I hear you are a wonderful Japanese Language instructor, but you are also a wonderful dancer. Maybe if I had seen you dance before like the way you did on the night of the GSO graduation party, I would have registered for the Elementary Japanese Language course. **Professor Watanabe's** nocturnal skills are awe inspiring and fascinatingly admirable. Watanabe-sensei, your dedicated love for your profession is legendary and your students have tremendous respect for you. Keep up the good work. **Tanaguchi-sensei**, I hear you Love Tanzania as if it were Japan. I always say that anybody who has been to Africa would love it. Thank you for your love for Africa. One professor you would love to run into when feeling bored and down is **Professor Welfield**. Whenever you meet him, in the gym or shokudo, he is willing to talk. **Shee-sensei**, too bad we will no longer debate whether China will collapse or become a global hegemon. **Professor Okada**, you are my most favourite Japanese professor and thank you for the okonomiyaki dinner the other day. I save the last for our very own **Buszynski-sensei**. Your professional meticulousness is unrivalled, so also is your time management and knack for perfectionism. I will never forget how you shredded the first chapter of my thesis because it wasn't good enough, or how you made Rejanni almost cry by making her rewrite her second chapter. I guess Chen, Allen, Khagani, Greg, Vee and Aziz have similar stories too. You were always supportive and inspirational. Personally I am indebted to you. Thank you for straining the best out of me.

Go placidly amid the noise and the haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible without surrender be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant, they too have their story. A void loud and aggressive persons; they are vexations to the spirit.

If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain or bitter; for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself. Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let not this blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism. Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment it is as perennial as the grass. Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth.

You are a child of the universe, no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should ... With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams; it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy!

Excerpts of Max Erhmann's poem, Desiderata, as shared by Zubairu Wai, Graduation day June 2004.

"This is the first day of our new IUJ life and the campus moves from Urasa to the Globe. "

Tomohiko Sasano, GSIM '04 Valedictorian, Matsushita Electric Co. Ltd.

Sasano photo
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Sasano-san salutes his fellow MBA graduates

We have an IUJ village here and create a strongly tied community. We study and live together, here. Now I remember a lot of things about a life at IUJ. We discussed the issue of a case study in a study room all the night. We argued against each other when we prepared a group presentation. We sometime shared a joke with each other, and sometime talked seriously about our future. We made a lot of friends and share a lot of memories. Friends and memories are our most valuable asset in life.

“ At last, we come to the last day of IUJ. On the last day at IUJ, I remember the first day at IUJ. I felt that it was too isolated to live in. I remembered that some people called IUJ Isolated University of Japan, or I and You and Jusco.

But soon, I came to know that this is the precious asset for IUJ.

I personally remember the words from Professor Kase. I asked him: "What is the important skill for a CEO?" He answered: "When you listen to a problem from your subordinate by telephone for 5 minutes, you can identify the fundamental problems so that you can decide what you should do." That was my important direction in my study life at IUJ.

Although this is the last day as IUJ students today, we should remember that we are always on the IUJ network all over the world and that the network lasts forever. In other words, this is the first day of our new IUJ life and the campus moves from Urasa to the globe. So please keep in touch anywhere, anytime.

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Computer Facilities and LAN Upgrades, Library Services Enhanced

Early July saw the reconstruction of the IUJ computer network system (IUJ LAN) and an upgrade of the public computers.

Computers.jpg

The MLIC upgraded the entire IUJ LAN system in order to increase network performance and increase campus security. The IUJ Email server was replaced, and now all computers in the PC rooms (R120, R124, SD2, and SD3) are Pentium4 computers with LCD monitors. The LCD monitors were donated by Samsung Japan Corporation. IUJ staff members, too, received these new monitors. In addition, Samsung also donated TV sets and new refrigerators for the dorms. The value of the donation is 30 Million yen. Thank you!!

40 new stations are in the old Mac Room

Classroom 120 (the old "Mac" room) now features 40 computer stations, while the Classroom 124 in the back of the corridor has 20 new stations. In total, 10 additional work stations were added with the new services.

Library New Board.jpg

The Library too has much to announce as services were added and the book collection grows. The MLIC staff now offers a series of Workshops and How-To sessions for both online services, library use services and computer usage techniques.

Some of the latest books added to the Library collection - many of which students directly requested - are highlights in the library entrance.

Among the newly introduced resources are:

The Center for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) -Discussion Paper -- a non-profit, non-partisan network of nearly 600 of the world's top academic economists.

IMF -Government Finance Statistics (GDF) -- The CD-ROM provides data on budgetary operations, extra budgetary operations, social security transactions, and consolidated financial operations of central governments.

World Bank -Global Development Finance -- contains statistical data for the 138 countries that report public and publicly-guaranteed debt to the World Bank Debtor Reporting System.

BankScope -- a comprehensive financial database containing information on over 11,000 world public and private banks with a financial analysis software program.

Stata - an interactive statistical package for data analysis and data management with unique graphics capabilities. It is programmable and is for manipulating and analyzing data using statistical and graphical methods.

International Trade Statistics - developed specifically for use in market research.

EIU Country Reports - All current students' countries are available either on EIU country Report or EBSCO host-Country Report..

MagazinePlus - is the largest bibliographic database on Japanese academic journals, research papers and general magazines. 5.2 million citations from over ten thousand journals and magazines are included.

IUJ and GLOCOM Increase Cooperation

The GLOCOM Platform (www.glocom.org) is working with IUJ to develop a mutually beneficial relationship between the two institutions. The following are some of the recent examples:

1. "IUJ page" on GLOCOM Platform (www.glocom.org/iujindex.html) This page has been open since last November, and is being used to post IUJ faculty papers, abstracts, event news, etc.

2. IUJ-GLOCOM Platform Joint Seminar Series
The first IUJ-GLOCOM Platform Joint Seminar was held on April 9 (Friday), where Mr. Motohiro Ohno gave a presentation on Iraq. The seminar was well attended and his talk was well received. The second joint seminar was held on May 10 (Monday) 16:00 - 18:00, where IUJ Presi-

dent Ipeei Yamazawa and Tokyo University Professor Takashi Inoguchi talked about the Asian community concept and reality. For a summary of this seminar see the following: www.glocom.org/special_topics/activity_rep/20040517_miyao_iuj/

Announcement of the next joint seminar can be found at: www.glocom.org/seminar/

3. Student internship at GLOCOM
IUJ student, **Allen Lewis** (IR04), was an intern student at GLOCOM last summer, contributing his own article to GLOCOM Platform: www.glocom.org/debates/20030811_lewis_afghanistan/
This summer another IUJ student Chad Smith (IR05) will visit GLOCOM on the internship program.

Student-Faculty Academic Papers presented at Conference

Five papers by IUJ faculty and students were accepted for and presented at the European conference on e-government held on 17th-18th June at The Trinity College Dublin (ECEG 2004). The conference had significant participation from the European Commission and the Irish Government as part of Ireland's EU presidency.

Three E-business students, Betty Wu, Farshid Ghiasi and Younus Awan, and one exchange student (Demir, fall term, from KOC University) worked hard with Professors Ibrahim Kushchu and Chester Borucki on the papers. "We believe that having 5 papers accepted and presented in person gives IUJ important visibility and we aimed to represent IUJ to the best of our abilities at the conference" said Prof. Kushchu.

Dublin Paper Presenters.jpg

Below is the list of paper titles and authors. The conference web site is <http://www.academic-conferences.org/eceg2004/eceg2004-home.htm>

List of Papers accepted at the ECEG 2004

1. *The Value of Mobility for e-Government*, by Betty Yu and Ibrahim Kushchu
2. *Global Acceptance of Mobile ID Card*, by Younus Awan and Ibrahim Kushchu
3. *E-Government and m-Government: Concurrent Leaps by Turkey*, by Demir Cilingir and Ibrahim Kushchu
4. *m-Government Adoption: Cases of Developing Countries*, A. Farshid Ghiasi and Ibrahim Kushchu
5. *Impact of Mobile Technologies on Government*, by Ibrahim Kushchu and Chester Borucki

Alum helps get Media Coverage for IUJ in Thailand

In June, Kringsak "Tong" Tangpradubkiat (IM97) coordinated a delegation to IUJ from the Thai media with specialists on MBA program reviews and publications. He brought to campus for a 3-day visit, interviews, tours: the CEO of Good Media Co., Ltd. and Editor-in-chief, Corporate Thailand Magazine; Contributing Editor, MBA Magazine; Senior Writer, Corporate Thailand Magazine; and Co-producer, Modern Biz T.V. program. Thanks Tong!

Tang.jpg

Kimura-sensei's book published

A collection of essays by Dr. Yui Kimura, a former Dean of GSIM who passed away in 1999, and his colleagues has been published in his memory. Several IUJ-affiliated faculty are contributing writers. The book, with Japanese and English essays, is highlighted below.

Kimura-sensei's book published

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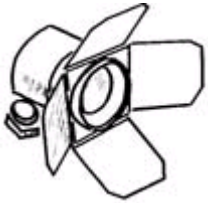
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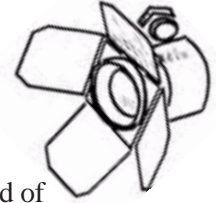
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Alumni Spotlights



Josh Huck IR98

Prior to my arrival at IUJ in 1996, I had never been to Asia and never dreamed of making a permanent home here. But eight years later, I find that I have spent six of those past eight years living in four different countries in Asia, and I have every intention of remaining here for many years to come. Not only did my experience at IUJ awaken a deep and abiding interest in the people, the cultures and the economies of the Asian region, it also provided me with the skills and the network to begin a professional career here.

Through IUJ connections, I was able to secure an internship at the United Nation's ESCAP (Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific) office in Bangkok while I was still a student. When I graduated from IUJ's International Development Program in 1998, I was able to use connections established during my internship period to land jobs with the UN in Thailand and later with a small grassroots organization in Vientiane, Laos.

I returned to the United States in 2000, primarily for family reasons, and found a job with the State Government of Maryland's Department of Business and Economic Development covering Japan and East Asia. The training and skills I developed at IUJ (especially knowledge of Japan and Japanese language) were crucial to obtaining this post. I applied to join the United States Foreign Service in 2001, and again my Japanese language skills and the experience of being educated in IUJ's international and multicultural environment were key to my successful admission into the US State Department.

For the last two years, I have served as a US diplomat to China, working out of the US Consulate General in Shanghai. Shanghai is a wonderful city and China is a dynamic and invigorating place to work. I hope that IUJ will continue to expand its contact with this great country through academic exchanges, student recruitment and China-related course offerings.

I am happy to say that six years after graduating from IUJ, I will be returning to Japan for an extended stay. I have been assigned to work in the political/security policy section of the US Embassy in Tokyo, starting in autumn of this year. I look forward to the chance to reunite with old classmates and professors and to meet the many new generations of IUJ graduates that have no doubt been making waves throughout Japan since I left. But perhaps more than anything else, I am looking forward to returning to Urasa to see the university itself, its mountains, its rice fields and its cherry blossoms – to remember how it felt to live and study in one of Japan's most beautiful locations.

To all IUJers in Japan, I look forward to seeing you soon, and to all IUJers spread throughout the world, good luck in all of your endeavors and I hope our paths will cross again.

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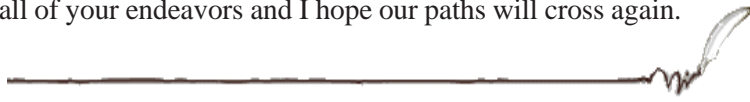
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USAID / JORDAN

Kenana Amin IR93

I am currently working with the Jordan Office of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). You may already know that they are the U.S. government agency through which U.S. economic assistance is channeled. Jordan ranks pretty high on their scale, being the third or fourth largest recipient of funds per year — about \$250 million.

We have recently completed our 5-year strategy for 2004-2009. We will continue our work in improving the primary and reproductive health care services for Jordanians, improving the management capabilities of the scarce water resources, and increasing the investment and job opportunities for Jordanians. In the new strategy we will also expand our work to include expanding access to early childhood education and improving the secondary school education to correspond with the job market demands. We will also be working on the rule of law, improving the status of women, enhancing transparency and anti-corruption efforts, and liberalizing the media.

As for myself, I work in the Program Management Office. This is the office that oversees the general development and implementation of these various projects. We work with the technical offices to make sure that they comply with USAID regulations, U.S. foreign policy goals, and that their projects are meeting the intended results. We also work with our head offices in Washington to request and justify our annual budget, provide the necessary reports, and keep them aware of any issues pertaining to the implementation of our program. My job also includes public relations efforts in publicizing the work of USAID both in Jordan and in Washington.

It was nice to have some snow in Jordan because it meant staying at home and sleeping late! It brought back memories of IUJ Winters!

I miss my IUJ days. I really had fun and got to meet interesting and wonderful people. I think my days at IUJ have shaped my life!

ClassNotes

1985

Hideyuki Nagatake can now be found in Nagoya in his new capacity for his company, Shimizu Corporation in the PFI Projects Department. He is hoping to connect with others in Nagoya soon, and finds Nagoya a rather interesting place to live in. **Kazunori Yumoto** was promoted to the General Manager of the Business Development Department of TEPCO, Tokyo Electric Power Company last October. **Jo Masataka** has relocated to Hong Kong with Fuji Xerox operations there as their Managing Director. **17 alumni among 33** members of Class

1985 Group
3 photos

'85 gathered and enjoyed talking, drinking and eating at a "Welcome-home Party" for **Korendo Shiotsuki** of Fujitsu on June 4. Shiotsuki-san is back from five years in New York and two years in London. Those welcoming him back were (See Photo): (Mr.) **Shiotsuki, Abe, Amino, Kobori, Kato, Sato, Tsuchiya, Yonemitsu, Shirakawa, Nagatake, Shishido, Yoshida, Anegawa, Kano, Koide, Hayama and (Mrs) Sakurai (Hideko Iwai)** What is everyone doing now? See the Online Directory at <http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/directory> and search for their names!

1986

Masahiko Inoue received a new assignment in January taking him to Sendai where he is now the Deputy General Manager for Mitsubishi Trust & Banking Corp.

1987

Junichi Kikuchi has joined Tokyo Shoseki Co. Ltd. as of April. **Katsuhiko Mori** is an Associate Professor at the International Christian University in the Division of International Studies. He says he sometimes bumps in to IUJ alumni there on THAT campus.

1988

Yasuhiro Tanabe is President of Solac Corporation in California. Solac helps Japanese companies start up operations in the US, provides varying consulting services and HR solutions. Check it out at www.solac.net **Malik, Mohammad Waheed-Ul-Hassan** was transferred in February from the Tokyo operations of the Embassy of Pakistan to those in Tehran Iran. **Takashi Suzuki** is now the Senior Executive Managing Director of Homepro – a joint project of Osaka Gas.

1989

Yukiya Oda is now in Australia with KDDI where he is Managing Director. **Tomoji Matsui** is back in Japan from Brussels, and now manages the Licensing in the Law Department for the new Hitachi company, Hitachi Display. **David Kaput** and **Lisa D'Angelo** (Exchange) adopted a little girl from Russia. They now have 4 gorgeous kids (photo). David is with SAP and commutes between NYC and Germany frequently.

Kaput Family.tif/
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Looking for an interpreter? **Masaaki Hatagami** might be able to help you. He is running his own conference and broadcast interpreting services.

IM90

Mitsuharu Nakano is now on assignment from Marubeni to Advantage Group. **Masaya Hirayama** has been in Singapore for 3 years with his family (photo), having been sent there when his company, Sumitomo Bank, merged with Sakura Bank and became Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corp. This is his first overseas assignment. He writes: "After I graduated from IUJ, I returned to my company and was engaged in the treasury business. I am now in charge of treasury planning in our Singapore center which is the regional center of our Southeast area business." Masa-san is coordinating the Singapore August 6 gathering!

Hirayama.jpg

IR91

Qing (Wang) Gabbour and **Jeffrey Gabbour** (IR92) are in Ohio, USA. Jeffrey is the Vice President at Prestige Enterprise International Inc. and Qing is a busy mom of two! **Naonobu Minato** continues to teach at IUJ, and has also been promoted to Acting Director at FASID in Tokyo. **Tsutomu Tamanouchi** is back at his company HQ as the deputy manager in the Financial Planning Office for Kajima. He had been on loan to the New Japan Philharmonic for several years. **Kang Ho** is now the Coordinator for Security Trade Management Center in Seoul. **Pouapinya Waravuth** continues her work in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Thailand, and now in the Office of the Permanent Secretary for Foreign Affairs

IM91

Takashi Izuhara is now the Manager at Nipponkoa Insurance Company in charge of their Investment Planning Department. Has anyone heard from the following alumni? Please have them contact campus: **Bing Shui, David Keay, Mike Ando and Zheng Ming Zhang.**

IR92


Joel Lim is in New York City with Lainiere de Picardie, Inc., a US subsidiary of the French company Chargeurs

Interlining, H.K. We are also missing information for the following. Please ask them to contact campus. Suwarn S. Nepal Vajracharya, Md. Aminul Islam, Jessica Ward, Juthatip Joseph, Nirparaj Katwal, Christoph Anagbonu, Yao Mawuli Jones, Fariba Shahnazari, Ryousuke Yoshioka, Masatoshi Satani, Dichen Hua, Siddig Elamin.

IM92

Robert Jones merged his company with another, creating Alps Advisory (HK) Ltd., and investment advisory firm where Robert is the Managing Director. **A.K.Z. Ahmed** is now the General Manager for Marketing for Bangladesh Jute Mills Corp. (BJMC).

IR93

Zhang, Xiao Fan announces the birth of his son, Kohei last November. He and his wife Keiko are in Yokohama. **Harda Wahana** has a new posting in Cairo for the Indonesian government. He is the Industry and Trade Attache for the Indonesian Embassy in Cairo, Egypt. **Agus Sudrajat** and **Meily Djohar** (IR02) announce the birth of their second child Muhammad Raqi Fadhlillah on April 24. **Martin Phiri** updated campus with the news that he is the Program Planner at the Democracy Consolidation Programme in Malawi. He and his wife have 2 children, Vitumbiko 8 and Mwabi 3. **Hiroshi Shichiku** visited campus to share his experiences in Cambodia, meet Cambodian students (photo) and interview an IUJer for an internship. Thanks Shichiku-san 

IM93

Keisuke Uchiyama became the Manger of the Structured Finance Section for Sumitomo Life Insurance Co. **Joseph Tjong** is now in the Technical Director at Alfa Goldland Realty in Indonesia.

IR94

Matthew Saltmarsh is in Belgium and was promoted to "Daddy" on Dec. 27 to Isabelle Mary! On his side job, Matthew works for Market News in Bruxelles. **Takayuki Miyauchi** has become an Internal Auditor for Mazda Corporation in Hiroshima HQ.

IM94

Koichiro Mikuriya has returned from Singapore to Japan and is now in the International division of his company Shell Oil. **Toru Oguchi** is back in Asia, now in Hong Kong where he is the Director of the Japan Tobacco operations. **Hideo Watanabe** has much new news! He is now in LA, having moved there from Malaysia. He is now working at Mizuho Banking Corp. as the Vice President & Department Head of the Los Angeles Agency, Japanese Corporate Banking. PLUS he has a 6 month old baby boy, Hajime! Congratulations!

IR95

Doug Carey has been in Haiti since October 2003 (except for a three-week evacuation during the political violence in February) with the US Foreign Service, and will be there until the end of 2005.

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NYC Gathering December 2003

IM95

Congratulations to **Kazuto Amano** on his promotion to Manager of the Marketing Department, Market & Product Planning division for Audi Japan! **Jens Hohenberg** is back in Tokyo and back with Deutsche Bank. Now he is in a very finalizing position as VP of the Absolute Returns Group

IM96

Kiminori Iwasaki joined Vantec Corporation a year ago and is their Manager in the Management Planning Department. Vantec's core business is providing export services of Nissan cars. **Yoshiro Toura** is in New York City with Toyota Motors as their Executive Coordinator for Investor Relations. Former IUJ Exchange Student **Bjoern Blank** is in New York as the Director for Asset Management at the Deutsche Bank operations there. He recently rejoined the IUJ family as an Honorary Alumni!

IR97

Adam Bergman is now an Associate with Jefferies & Company, an investment bank focused on middle-market companies in New York City. He and **Julia Parton** announced their engagement in March, and their wedding bells will chime in October! Congratulations. Julia continues her work at UBS Warburg from New York. **Ted Dreger** has moved on from the World Bank and is now a Governance Specialist / Analyst with the Africa and Middle East Branch of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), in Ottawa

IM97

Takanao Tamai has become the Franchise Controller for Johnson and Johnson, Japan in the Ethicon Division. **Mahmud Hussain** has moved to London earlier this year. He is still with Citigroup there. **Nobuhiro Nakanishi** is the Liaison Engineer for his company, Chubu Electric Power Co., – on loan to Institute of Nuclear Power Operations based in Atlanta Georgia since October.

IR98

Jesse Szeto was "terminated by the Terminator." How many people can say that! When Arnold Schwarzeneger took the governorship in California, Jesse's job was cut! **Paul Chacko** became Vice President of Affinity Equity Partners in Singapore.

IM98

Kentaro Murohashi has relocated with his family to London to take up a role with his company Mizuho at Mizuho International PLC. **Gopal Ohri** has risen to the management level of the Nissho Iwai affiliated Sojitz Corporation in the IT Service Sect., IT-Digital Contents Dept., New Business Development Group

IR99

Konrad Maz is the Second Secretary at the Polish Embassy in Beijing. **Dian Prodanov** his wife and 2 year old girl have emigrated to Canada. Dian landed a job at Medical Council of Canada which is the only institution in Canada that has the authority to administer exams for graduates of Canadian and international medical schools who want to practice in Canada. And Thanks Dian for the great words and for sharing fond memories about IUJ!! **Sunar Dwiantoro** now

works for Asset Management Company in Jakarta. **Ebinezor Florano** received his PhD in June from the International Christian University. He will return to the University of the Philippines to teach in the political sciences field.

IROO

Naoya Takigawa is on-loan to the Vermont USA operations of NSK, NSK Steering Systems America, Inc. as their Finance Manager having been there for about 1.5 years already! **Emmy Parnichkun** and **Kiril Nikolov** (Exchange 99) announce the birth of their son Arthur Oliver in February! Congratulations. **Zulqarnain Hussain Anjum** was reassigned to Abuja, capital of Nigeria for the next two years with the UNHCR operations there. He had been serving in Sudan as a Finance Officer. **Monica Blagescu** continues her PhD studies at the University of Bath, but is also working part-time at One World Trust, a small charity based in the Houses of Parliament. She works on issues of accountability of organizations that have impact at the global level. As if that is not enough, she is also teaching for the University of Bath and at the same time and doing bits of consultancy work.

IM00

Motohiro Yamada became the Vice President in the Operations Planning Department for his company Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation!

IM01

Andrew Shilletto is now in New York with LEH Treasury – Lehman Brothers. **Kashem Taleb** got married! He is in Tokyo as the manager for Karmen Ltd., in Business Development.

IRO2

Yulia Surya has received two recent promotions! She is now both Head of Customs Section for the Surakarta Customs Service Office, and now mother of two beautiful kids! Bara-chan was born in October, joining her family of husband Dayu, also a customs high official, and little Diaz. **Anastasiya Turdieva** has become an Analyst for the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development in Tashkent, on the Banking, Russia & Central Asia Team. **Suppakit Limboonsong** is now the Senior Client Service Executive for ACNielsen (Thailand)!

IM02

Muslim Gunanta was promoted to the Head of the Section for Directorate of Income Tax in the Indonesian Government. **Kazuhisa Kamiyama** became the CFO of Ushio America, operating in California taking up the role in December 2003.

E-biz2002

Naoki Shida's project was featured in a Japan Times article in early June. He was quoted saying "All they have to do is live normal lives using electricity, dipping in the bath or taking a shower." Shida-san is promoting experimental fuel cells currently being tested in 32 homes across the nation, including the one Shida-san overseas in Nagaoka on behalf of the Niigata Prefecture Government Industrial Development Division. "We suggested that we should participate in the experiment to find whether fuel cells can be used widely even in snowy areas." Congratulations!

IRO3

While completing his mandatory Military Service **Tutku Inam** passed the exams to enter the Turkey Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and started his new diplomatic career in June! **Kazuyoshi Inokuchi** (photo) recently visited campus. He is now working for Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd. in new products and marketing. **Nermeen Abdel-Latif** is now the Economic Researcher at the Center for Project Evaluation and Macroeconomic Analysis (PEMA) in Cairo. **Nemka Sundui** announces the birth of his first child in April! Welcome little Emujin. Nemka is with the Ministry of Industry and Trade, Mongolia as a project officer. **Nick Priola** took a position in credit sales with Morgan Stanley in NYC, after working for Commerzbank also in New York.

Inokuchi.jpg

IM03

Dewan Karim joined a JICA Study Team, Social Division for a special assignment in his homeland of Bangladesh last December. **Mary Wanyonyi** is involved in research and analysis into poverty issues for the Central Bureau of Statistics in Nairobi. **Tadahiko Ishikawa** was promoted to "Bucho" – the Division Manager for Siam-JUSCO's Marketing Sales & Promotion division in Bangkok, but is already being relocated back to Japan this summer. **Ing Leng** is with the Cambodia-Japan Cooperation Center affiliated with the Royal University of Phnom Penh, and a JICA project.

E-biz2003

Miyuki Horie is now in Tokyo in a new position with EVA Airlines. **Gigi Figueroa** is now an IT Consultant at Personal Advantage, an IT Consulting Firm in Peru.

Karasuyama.jpg

Class of 2004

We welcome 57 GSIR graduates and 52 GSIM graduates of the Class of 2004 to our Alumni Association! Their ceremony was featured on NHK news! In late August another 29 from the E-biz program will graduate to bring our total Alumni numbers to 2,053

Takayo Karasuyama was a guest speaker on campus

Editors note: For highlights of the June graduation, please see the page 2-3. The GSIR Valedictorian speech was so well received, several from the audience asked me to print the entire speech - not just excerpts - in this newsletter. Please share with them the experiences and thoughts of Zubairu Wai from Nigeria.

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Business Connections

Alumni entrepreneurs, businesses introductions, calls for collaboration, and professional networking



James Fiorillo (IM90) Managing Principal, Ottoman Capital Japan

James is about to launch his own equities fund in Tokyo.

Ottoman's new event fund looks for troubled Japanese equities

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Continuing with the trend towards more specialized investment strategies in the Asia-Pacific region, Ottoman Capital Japan is a new company looking to launch a long/short Japan equities 'troubled company' event fund. The fund, which will focus on TSE 1 companies, is expected to have a capacity of \$250 million in the present Japanese economic environment and will be launched in late August. The firm is fronted by James Fiorillo, who is undertaking the venture with a yet to be disclosed partner, also understood to have long-standing experience in the Japanese markets. Other team members are also expected to join in the near future.

As the 'troubled company' title suggests, Ottoman's Japan Natural Selection Fund will be focusing upon listed stocks with 'troubled' aspects to their operations and balance sheets, and experiencing legal and/or other business or management problems. Fiorillo who will act as director of research, has 14 years of credit, equity, political and regulatory analysis, private equity, distressed debt and lending experience in the markets, most recently at ING Barings. He has been a top-ranked bank analyst in Asia for several years. The team is looking for a gross annual return of about 25%, with maximum 15% fund volatility (target Sharpe Ratio = 1.2).

Christopher Stamos (IR97) COO, Sterling Stamos Ltd.

Christopher relocated to New York City from Taiwan in December 2003 to join Sterling Stamos Capital Management, L.P. as a Partner in its New York office. Here is a corporate profile.

Sterling Stamos Capital Management, L.P. (the Firm) is an investment firm that was originally founded in July 2002. Sterling Stamos currently operates multiple hedge fund-of-funds that offer high net worth families and institutional investors the opportunity to invest in a wide variety of return strategies. The core investment objective of the Firm is to produce consistent absolute returns regardless of market conditions, while protecting the principal of investors. Peter S. Stamos, the Chief Executive Officer, is responsible for all operational and investment decisions.

Before founding Sterling Stamos, Peter Stamos founded Stamos Associates Inc., a health care consulting firm that was acquired by Perot Systems. Mr. Stamos also served as the Chief of Staff and Chief Economist for U.S. Senator Bill Bradley.

The Firm currently has approximately \$2 billion in assets under management and represents more than 150 different investors. Although presently focused on investing in the hedge fund industry, Sterling Stamos is dedicated to expanding its reach into other alternative investment areas such as venture capital and private equity, in addition to creating a research institute, The Sterling Stamos Institute. The guiding principle of the Firm is "doing well by doing good." Accordingly, the partners of

the Firm also plan to create an independent foundation for charitable giving and expect to contribute 10% of all profits to the foundation. With this independent source of capital along with the intellectual capital of the research institute, Sterling Stamos will strive to have a significant impact on society. The entire focus of the foundation will be on global health issues and, in particular, eradicating infectious diseases in the developing world. There are two reasons for choosing this topic. First, there is the humanitarian crisis in which preventable diseases currently claim the lives of 10 million

children every year in the developing world; and second, there are convincing pragmatic arguments for combating infectious diseases as a crucial initial step toward economic development. The foundation will not run programs but analogous to the Firm's investment strategy, will seek out and support the most innovative organizations in the philanthropic world who share their mission.

IUJ Alumn Christopher Stamos has long-term plans to work in the newly forming Institute and hopes to involve IUJ in that initiative.

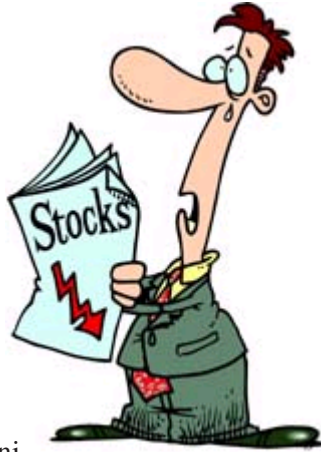
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Left to right: Chris, Adam Bergman, Seigo Ishimaru, and Peter Stamos at the Alumni event in NYC on Chris' Birthday!

Offer your Expertise to Campus

New Volunteer Program

A new volunteer program was launched in March by the Alumni Association Executive Committee to bring the Alumni network into closer interaction with campus. Through research collaboration and campus guest speaker series, we hope you will join as an Alumni Expert.



Remember when you were a student and hoped to meet and learn from your Sempai – upper classmates? Please help fill that gap by offering your knowledge, experience and insights in whatever field or special talent you can offer.

From working with faculty or student groups on joint research from wherever you are in the world, to offering a special lecture or professional panel in a classroom, to giving a full keynote speech to campus, you are needed.

Volunteer by returning the enclosed flier, or on the Online Profiles pages in the newly added Experts Volunteer box (available early August). We look forward to learning from you.

Questions, contact Alumni Association Chair, Tomohito Shinoda (tshinoda@iuj.ac.jp) or any EC member.

Internship rates peak at 103% and counting . . .

Career Services is happy to report that with the cooperation of many alumni and traditional as well as new recruiting companies and organizations, Career Services placement rates are back on track. This year, for the MBA and E-business candidates seeking an internship, the placement rate was 103% with 6 students receiving 2 internships over the summer, and 3 failing to find an opportunity (at the time of printing, several chances were still in process). For MA candidates actively searching 85% found opportunities.

On the Employment side, the picture - while far better than in the past 2 years - was still a bit tight. By early July 65% of MBA candidates had job offers. Information and updates are still coming in at the time of publication. For MA candidates, the rate is traditionally lower due to the nature of the positions MA candidates try for and the timing of graduation, and was at 55%. *Statistics are for those actively registered with Career Services for assistance, and do not calculate those ineligible due to scholarship or sponsorship regulations.*

Internships hosts this summer (including internships found outside the CC&S Program) are: ADB Institute, All Nippon Airways*, Bloomberg, Capital Servicing*, Costco, DaimlerChrysler, Depfa Bank, Ford Motor Company - Hiroshima, Fuji Xerox Ltd.*, GLOCOM, Lehman Brothers*, Matsushita Electric Co. Ltd. - Osaka, Mercedes Benz, Mitsubishi Oil and Gas, National Kidney Foundation – Singapore, NIFCO, * PNP Paribas, Reliance Industry Ltd., - India, Robert Walters, Sanyo Group – Osaka, Gumma, Shikoku Denryoku,* Syngenta, Taylor Rafferty, Tokyo Electric Power Company, Toyota Motors, UNHCR, Nagoya, University of Malaysia, UN regional offices (several), Uniclo, World Youth Peace Summit* (December internships). * - Indicates Alumni involvement
For a full Placement report, see the Career Homepages in late August.

Online Profile pages upgraded

By early August, the Alumni Profile registration pages will have added features and improved information registration features. You will be able to volunteer for the Experts section along with the other Volunteer Programs, such as A-CAN, use Online Bulletin Boards to exchange messages, ideas, and look for information, AND send a personalized message or question to campus on those forms.

As you bound around the world, remember your IUJ network is just a few clicks away. You can find emails and telephone numbers to see if they are available for dinner at the last minute during your world-wide travels.



New Interactive Webpage under consideration

We ask for your feedback . . . Would you like a more interactive Alumni Homepage that would feature

- an interactive calendar of events
- the ability to see who else in the IUJ alumni community is online for chatting and networking
- job boards that campus and YOU can add to
- photo albums
- surveys/polling
- Japan news updates
- links to GLOCOM platform
- blogs, etc.



The site would be password controlled for only Alumni and Student use, and would run parallel to the Official Alumni Website. For official information, contact info, etc. the current website would be the place to go. But for unofficial interaction, the new site would be added and accessed from the official one.

Please send your thoughts, wishes, etc. on the new site proposal to alumni@iuj.ac.jp with the Subject Line “Interactive Site Thoughts”

Special thanks to those who helped!

World-wide IUJ Friday

RSVP to an event nearest you! 7:00pm Aug. 6

Not listed here? Let me know and I will help you get a gathering going.

Note: Some contacts could not be confirmed by press deadline. Check with the Alumni Office for updates.



Osaka

Contact sunao-okamoto@osakagas.co.jp and atsushi-tanimura@osakagas.co.jp Location: the Wine Bar, <http://r.gnavi.co.jp/k002131/>

Beijing

Contact Liang.Tan@geahk.ge.com if you are available in Beijing

Shenzhen

If you can attend an event, RSVP to William Gang <wg3939@vip.163.com>

Shanghai

Contact (TBA) Ayuzawa-san <ayuro2001@hotmail.com>

Hong Kong

Contact Robert Jones <rjones@alpshk.com>

Bangkok: TBA

Seoul

Contacts (TBA) Lee-san <hd25@dreamwiz.com>, and Cho-san <yb_cho@ds-kr.com>

Singapore

Contact Hirayama-san Masaya_Hirayama@sg.smbc.co.jp. Location is WARAKU orchard (previously called SENTO) 51 Cuppage Rd #01-12 Starhub Centre (65) 6721-112

Phnom Penh

Contact Vandy Hem <vandy@hotmail.com> or Thida Heng <hengthida2003@yahoo.com> Location Amok Restaurant & Cafe #2, Street 278, Phnom Penh. Vandy's mobile is 855 12 667 234.

Tashkent

Contact Aziz Makhmudov <azizmahm@globalnet.uz> Location "Sharshara" (Waterfall) cafe.

Mumbai

Contact Deva Dubbey <dd.dubey@idbi.co.in>

Brisbane Queensland

Contact Kiyotsune Ken Kikkawa (1986) <ken.kikkawa@sd.qld.gov.au> Stamford Plaza Hotel Brisbane, Cnr Edward & Margaret Streets, Brisbane CBD Ph: 07-3221-1999

Johannesburg or Pretoria Contact Qwame Homawoo <QwameH@nissan.co.za> if you are in the area.

Sapporo

Contact Satoshi Arai. satoishi-arai@epmail.hepco.co.jp

Nagoya

Contact Akihiko Moriya akimoriya@nifty.ne.jp Location: Shojin-un" (www.un-club.com) - close to the Hilton Hotel Nagoya

Hiroshima

TBA

Don't Forget

August 6, 2004 7pm
in a city near you!

Manila

Contact (TBA) Edwin Mendoza edwin53@hotmail.com

Hanoi

Contact Ha <ha_iuj03@yahoo.com> or Mai <cuongmai2001@yahoo.com> Van Tue Restaurant (same as last year). Restaurant Address: 16 Lang Ha, Ba Dinh Hanoi <http://www.vantue.com/about.asp>

Jakarta

Hanafi Guciano <hguciano@yahoo.com> Sari Kuring restaurant, SCBD, near the Jakarta Stock Exchange

Kuala Lumpur

TBA Possible contacts Munsch Lam mclam@pacific.net.sg and Jega Muniandy <mjegathesan@yahoo.com>

Laos

Contact Kesone Soulivong <kesone_s@hotmail.com> Location Sakura Restaurant, Vientiane

Istanbul

TBA

Dhaka

Contact (TBA) Rakib Mahmood <mahmood_rakib@yahoo.com>

Tokyo

Contact Niina-san epigonen@amber.plala.or.jp and the Alumni Assoc. EC. alumni@iuj.ac.jp. Location is Trading Places in Roppongi. Map at <http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/events/>

New York City

Adam Bergman and Julia Parton will host the event at their home - 342 East 67th St, Apt 3D, between 1st and 2nd Aves from 8 p.m.: <bergman72@yahoo.com> and <jhparton@hotmail.com>.

Pennsylvania

Contact Andrew Doren <andydoren@hotmail.com> if available

Washington DC

Brian Hongxin Yang <hxyang_98@hotmail.com> Location. National Press Club, 14th Floor of National Press Building, 524, 14th St, (between F St and 14th St). The Metro stop is Metro Center.

California, Bay Area

Contact Carol Lin <tocarol@yahoo.com> and Stephen Pierce <sgpierce@att.biz>. Location: Fanny & Alexander's in Palo Alto

London

Contact Pascal Allouard <pascal_allouard@yahoo.com> Meet at the Cuban restaurant/club called Fiesta Havana (<http://www.toptable.co.uk/details.cfm/qs/rid|1351/>) located on 17 Hanover Square, close to Oxford Circus.

Copenhagen

Thomas Christensen <THHCHR@um.dk> and "C. Thygesen" <chrthy@hotmail.com>. Contact them if you are in the area

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Students in the Class of 2004 and 2005 volunteering to help stuff the Alumni Newsletter into envelopes for mailing in January 2004. Thanks

Next Newsletter Deadline is December 3, 2004!