

IUJ Alumni News

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Newsletter for the 2,051 Strong World-wide Network of IUJ Alumni 1985-2004

Campus Rocked by the Chuetsu Quakes

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October 23, 5:55pm with soccer players playing hard in the gym, the first of 3 major earthquakes shook our region, knocking out power supplies and shaking the nerves and confidences of campus. Students evacuated the dormitories and made their way to the gymnasium to await emergency lighting, and to the tennis courts to start a Bonfire. With the aftershocks continuing, students ventured into the dorms to get blankets and warm clothes to share amongst each other. At the Bonfire itself, one 1st year student noticed another standing outside without his shoes on: He had evacuated barefoot. The student who noticed, handed the barefoot man one of his own shoes, and they stood together each with one shoe on. Stories of camaraderie and support surround this unsettling event.

Alumni theses lie in a mess - Oct. 24

As the long night turned into a gorgeous warm sunshining day, students were found eating freely provided foods in the cafeteria and playing soccer and cricket outside. Many students took up residency in the gym for several nights to follow as the safety of the buildings and grounds was confirmed.

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Thankfully, campus experienced no injuries or structural damage: The library was hit the hardest with nearly all books off their shelves and the MLIC staff offices in total disarray. Professionals were called in to check the buildings and the sturdiness of our dorms, classrooms and the actual ground itself was confirmed. IUJ is safe! Classes were cancelled for 3 days due to shaken nerves, continuing aftershocks, and mostly the transportation problem caused by the Shinkansen and local train stoppages. Free meals were provided by IUJ, the community and the company that runs the food services until the normal class schedule resumed. With nerves still on the mend, the busy academic term started again October 28.

Students camp out in the gym

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New Leadership in GSIM

Dr. Chester Borucki becomes Dean

Borucki.jpg

Dr. Chester Borucki became the Dean of the Graduation School of International Management on July 1, 2004. He took over after 3.5 years of service as dean by Dr. Jay Rajasekera. Joining Dr. Borucki in the new leadership structure for GSIM as associate deans are Dr. Glenn Mayhew and Dr. Toshihiro Wakayama. I asked Dr. Borucki (known on campus as "Mr. Gambatte") for his comments on where his new team hopes to take the IUJ Business School, which includes the MBA and the Masters of E-business Management degrees, in the near future, his priorities, and how the Alumni Association can further support IUJ. Below are his thoughts:

Dean Borucki

"It is both a wonderful opportunity for me to serve as the IUJ Dean for GSIM, and also a huge challenge. With increased competition from within Japan, and increasingly more programs overseas for applicants to choose from, reaching prospective students is a very difficult task.

Applicants, with more choices, are looking deeply into the program offerings to compare and contrast.

With this backdrop, my first priority as the IM Dean is to learn from IUJ Alumni and the market to carve out the best revised positioning for what IUJ can offer business students both from Japan and the global arena. I have asked the IM Alumni to answer several questions in an open-ended survey form to help us find our future course. As of late November, 56 of you replied, and I am very appreciative. We are going over your responses now to identify what should be kept in the program, what industry says we need to add and take out, and importantly, what you think IUJ should stand for! Also, thinking of helping businesses solve future problems, I appreciate receiving your feedback on what your company and industry sees coming

Editor's Note: The GSIR leadership is unchanged from the previous academic year. Dr. Takahiro Akita is the Dean, with Dr. Shinichi Watanabe Program Head for IDP, and Dr. John Wellfield Program Head for IRP.

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IUJ Founders' Club Has First Member!

David Namiki (IM00) makes first donation at this level

The Alumni Association Executive Committee began a fund-raising campaign to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of IUJ in 2002. With 6 levels of giving recognized, the EC hopes to raise money to support campus improvements and activities. *This fund-raising drive is separate from the special Earthquake Relief Fund recently launched, and is an on-going campaign.*

Initial donations surpassed expectations with the generosity of those who have contributed to the fund. The most recent major donation came from David Namiki. He became the first **IUJ Founder's Club** member, and put the donation amount over the 2 Million yen mark! We hope that this figure will surge with similar donations of fellow IUJers.

Another recent donation from **Visveswaran Prabhakaran** (IM99) was specifically slated for IUJ promotion and was recently used for IUJ's presence on the *Japan Times* promoted Global Daigaku publications, hard copy directories, on-line profile, and more. Thank you Vis!

Yang Yaoyu's (IM96) initial donation was matched by his former company doubling his contribution. Others that have donated are noted on the Donations Website at <http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/donations>. **We thank you!**

The categories, and number of donations in each are shown below. With your involvement we hope the numbers will sore!

IUJ Club less: than 10,000 yen* - 2
IUJ Honors Club: 10,000-49,999 yen - 17
IUJ Premier Club: 50,000-99,999 yen - 4
IUJ Premier Executive Club:
100,000-499,999 yen - 4
IUJ Presidential Club: 500,000-999,999 yen - 1
IUJ Founders Club: 1,000,000 yen or more - 1

**Not eligible for tax deductions. All other categories are eligible for the tax deduction in Japan.*

In October, the newly elected Executive Committee of the Graduate Student Organization (GSO-EC) was asked by the Alumni Assoc. EC for a prioritized list of recommendations for items that would improve current campus life. They requested several items. The plan is to spend about half of the donations made to date on sports equipment, specifically new balls for the gym, and outside furniture specifically for near the dorms. The list of requested items is longer than this, and will be met when the fund grows larger.

For details, please see

<http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/donations/>
 and PLEASE make your donation today!

Earthquake Relief Fund

A special donation drive to help IUJ recover from and prepare for another emergency

Special Thanks . . .
 to the 70 alumni who made donations ranging from 3,000 yen to 110,000 yen to help current and future dorm residence with emergency evacuation equipment.

1985 – Masataka Jo, Shinji Kaburagi, Meng Pang
1986 – Haruhiko Asama, Shingo Muraoka, Tomohito Shinoda
1987 – Katsuhiko Mori, Tetsuji Nabeshima, Moriyuki Sawa
1988 – Yasuhiro Nishi, Takashi Suzuki
1989 – Takashi Shintani, Gretchen Shinoda
1990 – Masaya and Satomi Hirayama (coordinated the Singapore Group Donation), Kojiro Togo
1992 – Robert Jones, Kiyo Ogushi
1993 – Jun Liu, Hitoshi Miyashita
1994 – Masahiro Harada, Susumu Koyama
1995 – Nachiketa Das, Hisashi Kinoshita, Lei Li, Suparjono Rusly, Tao Yang, Hisashi Yonemoto
1996 – Masahiko Doi, Tetsuya Furusawa, Satoshi Imahara, Ikuko Mori, Yaoyu Yang
1997 – Shuji Inaba, Masaki Kasahara, Mitsuhiko Kataoka, Tomoaki Shimada, Takayuki Suzuki, Takanao and Yukino Tamai, Christian Wahlstrom
1998 – Takayuki Asai, Yasuyuki Kadono, Shoichi Sekine
1999 – Nedeltcho Akov, Koji Ihara, Whitney Jiranek, Katsuya Kagiwada, Anna Mejia, John MacKay, Sunghyun (Noboru) Roh,
2000 – Yuta Kano, Hui Tang, Motohiro Yamada, Masaru Yokoi
2001 – Renee Bajor, Kaoru Hisaeda, Haijun Huang
2002 – THE ENTIRE IM CLASS plus individual donations by Billy Anugerah, Shuhei Kiyota, Yasutake Kojima, Jiye Li, Toshihisa Mine, Ken Takai, Tadashi Yamaguchi
2003 – Qiao Yu Liang, Bulgan Luuzandamba, Sunao Okamoto
2004 – Carson Cheng, I-Huei Lin, Hung Vo

The donations were collected via credit card, cash and bankwire transfer between Nov. 1 and Dec 10. The goal was to reach 1,000,000 yen to provide emergency kits for the dorm rooms consisting of a helmet, flashlight, gloves and a few no-battery radios for each dorm. The donations came in quickly and the students were kept informed along the way. **The goal was surpassed!** Donations/pledges reached 1,123,832 yen!

Donations from other organizations and individuals came into campus and are put to good use for other emergency and disaster preparedness equipment and goods. Also, emergency evacuation drills will be implemented along with increased preparation for other types of emergencies on campus such as sudden illness or accidents/injuries in the gym.

“We turned the Earthquake trauma into a positive by better equipping and preparing for possible future crisis situations” said Secretary General T. Takahashi.

Those still wishing to make a donation are encouraged to donate to the Campus Life Improvement category of the on-going fund-raising campaign. We need your support.

Earthquake cont. from pg. 1

When work started on Monday, many staff were unable to report to campus because of damaged homes, road closings, and train stoppages. The concern from the alumni began pouring in via email and telephone calls. Numerous suggestions for a fund-raising drive were received, and IUJ put one in place. With an initial goal of One Million yen to help with dormitory emergency needs, small and large amounts flowed into the fund, received by a very appreciative campus (see related story).

Donations from alumni included 3 boxes of Halal meats sent from Tokyo by **Erol Emed** (IR89), Head of Alternative Investments at SG Yamaichi Asset Management. One of the boxes was contributed by Nurettin Albay, the Halal meat store owner. He is Turkish but not an IUJ alumni. Upon learning the situation he wanted to contribute too. (see related story below)

Other alumni donated money directly to the harder hit areas, and **Yoshihiro Iwai** (IR98 - Hokkaido Electric Power) donated a week of his time volunteering at the Emergency Relief Centers of Ojiya and Kawaguchi.

Iwai.jpg

*Iwai-san at his
volunteer post*

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Halal Food Donation Helps Quake-hit Ramadhan Worshippers

Special thanks to **Erol Emed (IR89)**
from **Amzul Rifin (IR05)**

“It was the ninth day of the fasting month of Ramadhan when the earthquake happened. We were just breaking fast at that time. We never imagine this thing could happened especially in the month of Ramadhan, when Muslims usually increase the intensity of worship. The first and second days after the earthquake were the hardest for us since we have to eat outdoors before sunrise.

“When we received the news that Erol Emed, a Turkish IUJ alum, had sent a halal food donation for Turkish and Muslim students, we really appreciated the care and thoughtfulness from an alum especially in the holy month of Ramadhan. We decided to cook some of the food for ifhtar (breaking the fast during sunset) and at the same time distribute the donation. In Islam, we believe that those who give food for breaking the fast will be rewarded from God as much as the reward given to the person who is fasting.

“On behalf of the Muslim students, I would like to thank Erol Emed and friend for the donation and may God reward them greatly. Thank you.”

Dean Borucki cont. from pg. 1

in the next decade so we can create course offerings to better prepare talent to address those issues.

In addition to your input, market and competitive analysis is underway and will serve as the basis for helping us determine where we are going and how we will get there. At the end of the process, we plan to generate several key alternatives to take to the IUJ board for further discussion. We hope we can begin the implementation process during the 2005-06 academic year to give new life and innovation to IUJ's MBA and Masters of E-business programs with features called for by industry and attractive to applicants both from industry and the private sector.

This analytic process is scheduled to take us through February. The target? To have alternatives identified related to our vision, mission, and strategic positioning for the near and short-term future, maintaining flexibility to further adapt to what is called upon from industry in Japan and overseas, while nurturing the “uniquely IUJ” features that so enrich the academic offerings, such as our rich multicultural environment (and you thought it was SNOW!).

I do welcome further input from you all as this is an ongoing project. I look forward to reviewing your emails, survey responses, and to having the chance to chat with you at IUJ Fridays and other informal settings. I believe that the future of IUJ requires the involvement of our Alumni both from GSIM and GSIR, and it will be my pleasure to work with you to realize the IUJ potential. Somewhere someone said: “The only way to predict the future is to invent it!” and that's our goal for the GSIM at IUJ.

To those who have already responded with their insights, observations, and experiences, I thank you – your help is valuable. If you haven't yet participated please ask Gretchen in the Alumni Relations office to email the survey to you again, and respond by e-mail.

I personally hope to build stronger bridges to our alumni and better leverage our network than has been done in the past.

In closing, I send a special thanks all those who assisted me, and Associate Dean Glenn Mayhew on the MBA and MA Tours this past Fall. Your involvement made lasting positive impressions on future applicants. You are:

Kenjiro Yuge (91)	Ken Takai (02)
Peter McColgan (95)	Tony Hsieh (02)
Youngbin Cho (97)	Vineet Singhal (02)
Esther Jihyun Jeon (99)	Faun-Yee “Fannie” Yang (IR02)
Neil Hagan (99)	Cartoon Tipwateamorn (03)
Kaoru Miyamoto (99)	Bogdan Alexandrescu (03)
Sajjad Cheema (99)	Chengjun Shan (03)
Weihong Ding (00)	Carson Cheng (04)
Daiki Shibuichi (00)	Nick Rossiter (04)
Thuy Hagan (Le Thi Thu) (00)	Tsuyoshi Noda (04)
Renee Bajor (01)	
Yuhai Zhao (01)	Special thanks for the efforts of
Chengen Fan (02)	Pascal Allouard (99)
Kazuhisa Kamiyama (02)	Ciprian Marin (00)
	Lara Klingman (03)

IUJ BANZAI !!!

GAMBARIMASHOU !!!

August 6 - GLOBAL IUJ Friday Events

Response to this major world-wide IUJ event was wonderful! Due to space constraints caused by coverage of recent events, everyone's great write-ups could not fit! Please visit the Alumni homepage for full stories, and names of alumni who attended, what they are doing, and more.

Tokyo

About 45-50 alumni trickled in and out of the event, with a few surprise visitors such as Yuko Sakai (86) based in London with Mizuho, and Akira Aoki (87) of Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation coming to an IUJ event for the first time in many, many years! Also, Gary Wong (IM95) was there to meet many of the current students interning at Lehman Brothers – an internship he helped inaugurate! Niina-san was The Host.

IUJ Tokyo Friday

IUJ OSAKA Aug 6.jpg

Okuda (IM01) for arrangements, and Tanimura-san for the support. The Tokyo group was able to call the Osaka group that night!

Sapporo

Four of our 10 alumni in Sapporo, all with HEPCO (Hokkaido Electric Power company) got together for a fun dinner. Thanks to event organizer Satoshi Arai.

Manila

"In what I think is the first Alumni gathering in Manila, five IUJ alumni met at Greenbelt, Makati in the Philippines last August 6." Thanks Edwin and Deo!

IUJ Manila Friday
Aug 6.jpg

Hanoi

IUJ Hanoi Friday Aug
6.jpg

Hanoi event was great with 15 IUJers including alumni/spouses, current students of Class 05 and incoming students of Class 06 joining. Chatting, laughter and Karaoke filled the room. Thanks to Maisan and his wife for arranging things JUST before their son was born – two days later!

Jakarta

Just 6 of the alumni in our largest group besides Tokyo could gather on August 6. But the fun and friendships were true. The group is looking forward to a bigger reunion soon. Special thanks to Agus Sudrajat for the organization!

IUJ Jakarta Aug 6.jpg

Bangkok

13 had a great time together in Bangkok. Fannie Yang - thanks!

IUJ Bangkok Friday Aug 6.jpg

Laos

"We all gathered at IUJ's worldwide day at the Japane

IUJ Laos Friday.bmp

nese Restaurant in Vientiane Capital, Laos. We also invite one visiting Japanese instructor who has been teaching Japanese course in IUJ (you can see her picture to see who she is)." Kesone

Soulivong coordinaed things - thanks!

Phnom Penh

"It is indeed my great pleasure to share with you on behalf of all IUJers in Phnom Penh our gathering last Sunday. It was a wonderful gathering and really enjoyable opportunity to meet and get to know each other. With good food, wonderful conversation and even Karaoke, we had an evening to remember. Although some of us could still recall some tough days at IUJ, we all miss it and will never forget it. It remains a beautiful place in our lifelong memory." Thanks to Vandy Hem - event organizer.

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Hong Kong

Seven IUJ alumni, spanning the entire years of IUJ graduates (1985-2004) enjoyed a Chinese dinner at Ning Po Residents Club in Lan Kwai Fung of Hong Kong on Friday evening. All seven of us proceeded to the exclusive Kee Club, which is a members only club where many of the jet set hang out when visiting HK such as Michael Jordan and the Rolling Stones. "We didn't see anyone that we could recognize though!" Robert Jones was busy this year for IUJ -thanks again Robert!

Shanghai

9 enjoyed catching up with each other over a fun dinner, including Si Ning who traveled from Nanjing to make the event. Ripple, with lots of help was the organizer! Thanks

IUJ Shanghai Aug
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Beijing

Gathering at the Goose & Duck restaurant in Beijing were 3 IUJers, one current student and one incoming student. Tan Liang, Shan Chengju - thanks!

IUJ Beijing Friday Aug
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Singapore

International University of Japan

Nearly 30 Cities Toast IUJ World Wide!

Stories on a few events were not available at time of printing

"It was the 6th of August at 7pm when Mr. Kaburagi, one of the first graduates of IUJ (IR85), noticed a beautiful non-Japanese lady entering a restaurant. At first he felt it strange because it was a Japanese Izakaya-style restaurant, but a few minutes later, he found out that the lady, Suraiya Abdullah-san (IR90), was a member of the IUJ alumni, and she was at the restaurant for the same purpose of attending the IUJ Friday gathering in Singapore."

IUJ Singapore Aug
6.jpg

In total, 15 participants attended the party

-- See Masaya Hirayama's [full](#) story on the IUJ Alumni Website! And thanks Masa-san for the organization!!!

Canberra

IUJ Australia Friday
Aug 6.jpg

"The dinner was a great success and we are raring for another one. It was the first time Yaw Osei-Amo had seen another IUJer since he graduated in 1988!" Thanks to Lyma for arrangements.

Brisbane

the Central Java Government), Mala (IR99, now studying at the University of Qld for her Ph.D.) and myself Ken Kikkawa, (IR86, now working for the Qld State Government - Thank you Ken!) met each other for the first time over Aussie style BBQ party in Brisbane."

IUJ Brisbane
Friday.jpg

Melborne

Andrew Fried (IM93) and Ichita Fujiwara (IM93) played golf together in the IUJ Friday spirit on Saturday morning in Melborne.

Mumbai

Two IUJers were able to get together for dinner – one current student Vishal Girish enjoyed meeting sempai Deva Dubbey.

Ulaanbaatar

Class of 2003 and Class of 2004 gathered. "Perhaps, our sempais were not aware of this event, but 6 of us had dinner and a long chat." Thanks Nemka!

IUJ Ulaanbaatar Fri-
day Aug 6.jpg

Cairo

5 gathered in the last city to join the events, Cairo: "Hardasan and Amel-san remembered each other, and enjoyed catching up. And with Nermeen's help, they discovered that IUJ has a new dorm in SD3, and that Sakai-san and Toda-san are still on campus!" Event organizer Nermeen - Thanks!

London

8 alumni shared a fun evening. Pascal writes in with a great summary: - "Kayoko Tatsumi (87), getting up everyday at

4am to write her thesis (still more than one year to completion); Kentaro Murohashi (IM98), working for Mizuho Bank, whose Chairman founded IUJ; Solo Mara (IR99), our famous diplomat of the Fiji Islands; Cip Marin (IM00), who recently changed his job function in the highly complex analyst world (not sure I understood even his new title); Mukharram Mirbabaeva, our charity business expert, interested in very generous people (please be back to her with your donations); Kerry (Cross) Mara (IR99), who made the effort to come to the party just two weeks to go to her due date for baby number 2.; Mark Wells (IR97), banker at the Abbey National (if you need a mortgage) and Pascal Allouard recently moved to Capgemini (if you need some consulting work)."

IUJ London.jpg

The party continued in the Cuban Club.

California, Bay Area

The 'big' Bay Area gathering was just organizer Stephen Pierce (IR92 - Thanks!) and John de Boer (IR96), but they had a great 3 hour chat before the live music broke that up. Others not able to attend this first event in the Bay Area are looking forward to the next chance.

New York

Soon-to-be newlyweds Julia Parton (IR97) and Adam Bergman (IR97) hosted the event in their home. THANK YOU! "As befits an IUJ gathering, we were a multi-cultural crowd, representing Japan, USA, Canada and England."

IUJ New York
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Washington, DC

Eddie Zormelo, Cigdem Akin, Brian Yang, and a guest Kim Crow, joined for dinner at the National Press Club in downtown DC.

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In Other Locations . . .

Other IUJ Friday events took place throughout the world, including Istanbul, Kuala Lumpur, Tashkent, and Ottawa (see full story on page 7). Stories and photos were not available at time of printing.

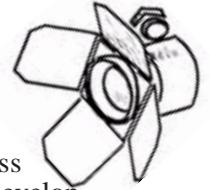
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Bulgan Luuzandamba (IR03), UN Population Fund (UN FPA)

Since coming back to Mongolia, I have been trying different things. I always wanted to do policy related work either at the government or international organization, but at the time of my arrival I could not find such a position.



So, I accepted an offer from Newcom LLC, which I got to know from IUJ to work as a business developer. This job entails feasibility studies of business concepts to see if the concept is workable, develop a project, business plan, look for potential investors, and launch that business. I was responsible for the real estate project and that was very complex concept involving at least two sectors. I had a team of professionals to help me with various aspects of the project, and together we were able to give it the shape of an independent business. At the end of the project, I could either move on from this business or switch to the next concept, which could be tourism for example. Despite the fact this was quite interesting work and my colleagues there were extremely friendly and nice people, my real interest lay in the social field and I decided to pursue it.

I applied and got the position of Research Officer at the Save the Children Fund (UK). I was mainly engaged in a big research project, which studied implications of migration on the education attainment of children. We were trying to link the results of the research to broader poverty issues and depending on these findings, to move to advocacy and policy work in order to draw attention of policy makers on childhood poverty. My other responsibilities included assessment of different projects and certain programme areas and creation of baseline database for monitoring and evaluation purposes. I liked this job, as it was good preparation for the activities I wished to do.

Just recently I was selected to work as a Programme Officer at UNFPA Mongolia Office, which I started in September. This is the job I always dreamed about. Basically I will participate in managing and implementing entire programmes, do lots of policy related studies and come up with some solutions.

Now I can definitely say that all the quantitative courses in IUJ are worth every minute and ounce of effort that I put in to them and truly developed the ability to grasp the situation presented in data. Exposure to the multicultural and bilingual environment was fun and enjoyable, and sharpened my language and communication skills, which now give me considerable weight in any situation as a rule.

Ottawa Alumni Celebrate IUJ Day

A second gathering this year to launch the Ottawa Chapter

The IUJ Ottawa Chapter celebrated IUJ day this past August, the second such event this year to firmly establish the Ottawa Chapter! Although 2 alumni were unable to attend this time (Vicky Edgecombe and Dian Prodanov), Julie Boyer, Shannon-Marie Soni and Manuela Popovici had a wonderful time catching up - and just before Shannon-Marie headed for New York and the UN HQ.

Dian Prodanov: I currently live in Ottawa along with my wife and 2-year-old daughter. I work as a Coordinating Agent at the Medical Council of Canada.

Julie Boyer: Hello ex-IUJers, I miss all of you especially the '99 graduates! Since I left IUJ, I moved from Toronto to Ottawa to pursue a career in the federal government. I am now the Manager of International Bilateral Relations of the Department of Canadian Heritage. I got married last year to Robert Lee (some of you may remember him - he visited IUJ) and we recently moved into a new home. We love to have our friends over so don't hesitate to get in touch with us if you are planning a trip to Canada's national capital.

Shannon-Marie Soni: Hello friends! I'm still working at Foreign Affairs Canada and just received my first diplomatic assignment at the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations in New York: Third Secretary, International Security and Disarmament. I'm moving at the end of August 2004 and will be there until at least 2007 so let me know if you'll be in the Big Apple; I found a great sushi place already....!

Manuela Popovici: A big hello to all my friends, and a short update: I worked for two and a half years as a U.N. Volunteer in Kosovo, Serbia, between 2000 and 2003. Since September 2003, I've been greatly enjoying full time studies for a Masters degree in Social Work at Carleton University in Ottawa. I'm interested in refugee & human rights law and in the impact of the 'war on terror' on civil liberties, and would like to return to international work after graduation in 2005.

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*Shannon-Marie Soni, Julie Boyer, Dian Prodanov,
Manuela Popovici and Vicky Edgecombe in April at the
first gathering before August 6.*

Lito's Friends Share Their Feelings and Hopes

Angelito "Lito" Nayan, IR99, was kidnapped in Afghanistan on Oct. 28, 2004 by a shadowy offshoot of the Taliban. He was there as a UN staff to help oversee the landmark elections. After 27 days of captivity, he was released and returned to his family in the Philippines.

Upon his capture, his IUJ family shared their thoughts and memories with Lito's immediate family

Aamir Arain (IR99), Electoral Adviser, United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL)

With Lito I share not only IUJ but our work together in United Nations Peacekeeping operations. Lito first joined me in Kosovo and we worked together for almost a year. We lived together, cooked together and endured severe cold and other difficulties of Kosovo together. During our weekends we traveled together to Macedonia, and Greece. When Lito was leaving Kosovo, I could not say good-bye to him and followed him up to Italy where we had his farewell. Since his ordeal, I am looking at those pictures and praying that all three of the UN workers will come back safely.

All three who got kidnapped are from my section. I have left Afghanistan for my next assignment in Liberia but the three were with me in Afghanistan and Kosovo. Let us all pray for their safety.

Joshua Huck IR98, U.S. Embassy in Japan

At IUJ Lito was an inspiration to all of his classmates, and he remains an inspiration to this day. He has always been intelligent and diligent, courageous and compassionate. He was not afraid to go to the most dangerous places on earth in order to do good work. Please know that he remains in our thoughts and our prayers. May God speed him home.

Jesse Szeto IR98, Bioterrorism Preparedness Project Administrator, UC Davis

As fellow classmates and friends of Lito, we have been keeping him constantly in our prayers and comb the Internet for news and anxiously await his release. We know that God is with him and with you all during this ordeal, and please be assured that our love and our support stretch from all around the world, even as God's presence and His love is with Lito in Afghanistan. May He bring healing and hope to all situations, and especially to reuniting Lito with his family.

Yoshihiro Iwai, IR98, Hokkaido Electric Power Co., Inc.

I was really shocked to hear that Lito's was still being held somewhere in Afghanistan. My wife and I remember his beautiful voice singing Carpenter's song and performing bamboo dance together at IUJ Open Day. I also remember his clear thought and enthusiasm for his studies. We hope he will be released as soon as possible and would like to enjoy Lito's wonderful songs again.

Utoomporn Ampaivit (Cook, IR98), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Thailand

I remember him well; his energetic and kind character. When I learned that he was sent there on a U.N. Mission, I felt so proud of him. He is a real hero. And his name, 'Angelito' ... now I am sure he will be OK; God will help him, since he went there for helping.

Felix (Mankata) Quartey IM98, Australian Prudential Regulation Authority

I am usually surprised to hear about non-military personnel going to work in areas of armed conflict, but when I saw Lito on my TV screen, I knew that he was the type of person who would do what he could to improve others' lives. I wish Lito's family well and I pray for his early and safe release.

Whitney (Smith) Jiranek IM99, CSFB, NYC

Lito and I were classmates at IUJ and I cannot think of a more kind, gentle, selfless individual. His good work with the UN reflects the incredibly giving spirit he always spread, and it is absolutely horrific and unjust what he is enduring, and what you are enduring by relation. Lito's energetic altruism is a gift to the world and I hope his captors recognize his pure good and how wrongly directed are their actions. All of my thoughts and prayers are directed towards him and towards you at this time.

Joanna and Pascal Allouard (IM99), Booz Allen & Hamilton, London

Lito and all his classmates are good examples of what international relations should be and not what the captors are now in Afghanistan. We are confident that things there can not and will not stay as they are today.

Eva Bernardo-Baginski, IM00, Calif. USA

Lito is not only a great person, he also has a magnificent singing voice, is a great dancer, a great cook (he used to invite me for dinner knowing that I don't know how to cook), a voracious reader, and most of all, a person of strong faith. Oh, he is also a great writer. Many didn't know that Lito won an essay writing contest (sponsored by a US-based organization) while he was at IUJ.

Kaoru Miyamoto IR99, Intellectual Property Bank, Ltd., Tokyo

Lito and I often got together, ate out, and sang in Karaoke house in IUJ day. I really know that he is willing to devote himself to the peace of the world. It is easy for me to understand why he is in Afghanistan. He just would like to help the people and contribute to reestablish the country.

Narunobu Ota IR98, Resona Holdings, Inc., Tokyo

I firmly believe Lito will come back to us safe with a good smile on his face. His dedication to peace and his sympathy for Afghan people are genuine. I'm really proud of him. Afghan people will never allow the kidnappers to harm those who came to their country to help them.

Shannon-Marie Soni, IR99, Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations in New York

I don't even know where to start. Lito is one of my best friends; like a brother to me. We are looking forward to one day having a diplomatic assignment at the same place (perhaps the UN HQ!). I am here, and I expect Lito to keep up his end and join me soon! I want to share one of Lito's favorite songs which has provided me comfort these past few weeks:

"I the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who shall bear my light to them? Whom shall I send? Here I am Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart."

Lito, my prayers and thoughts are with you and your family now and forever. Call me when you get home.

Lito2.jpg

Lito

AFP photo file by Romeo Gacad.

IR96

Fumitake Shu (Zhou, Binyan) was promoted to Manager at SAP Japan, in charge of SRM Solutions. **Zhigang Wei** took a new positions in Sydney with the Law and Justice Foundation of New South Wales. **Yuan Bai** is a Visiting Professor of International Economics at the University of Northern Florida

IM96

The Watanabe's are overseas! **Yasuaki Watanabe** is on a 2 year visiting Professor assignment at Haas school, UC Berkeley. **Takeshi Watanabe** was transferred to London in October as the Chief Representative for The Bank of Yokohama, Ltd. **Yaoyu Yang** is starting a new company called Advast Media Capital. Watch for more news! Congratulations to all 3 of you!!!

IR97

Julia Parton and **Adam Bergman** got married in early October. They wed in England, and are making their home in New York City. To commemorate their wedding, they made a generous donation to the Alumni Fundraising General Campaign. **Mitsuhiko Kataoka** finished his PhD at Nagoya University and joined JICA in Indonesia on training programs for mid-career professionals in development issues. Before joining this program, he was engaged with the regional development project in Indonesia. He has met several Alumni in Indonesia and hopes to meet many more before March when this project ends.

Bergman
Wedding.jpg

IM97

Takanao and **Yukino Tamai** announced the birth of their second child in November. Tamai-san is in New York on a one-year assignment with Johnson and Johnson Japan, and Ethicon Inc. **Seigo Ishimaru** returned to Japan from New York City after a 7-year assignment to Tokio Marine Management, Inc.

IR98

Shoichi Sekine got married! He is working at Fujikoshi in the International Trade Division. **Jesse Szeto** is back (after being terminated by the Terminator – get it?). He is now the Bioterrorism Preparedness Project Administrator at the University of California at Davis. **Katsuhiko Yoshida** got married!!! He is now with the Bandai Sociological Research Institute in Niigata. **Yuji Kano** moved from NYC to Washington, DC and is

IR98Yoshida.jpg

Yoshida gets married

working for the International Finance Corporation – IFC! **Chen Zhonglin** sent to IUJ an important reference book “English-Chinese Chinese-English WTO commerce dictionary” which he helped compile. He is a full professor of International Affairs Management, and a proud father of a daughter recently admitted to the number 1 Biology School in China, Fudan University. Congratulations! **Elysa Coles** paid a surprise visit to IUJ to check her email! She was in the area to attend a wedding with her homestay family.

Coles-2.jpg

Elysa checks her mail on our new computers

IM98

Kaysee Cardinez-Hermoso took up a new positions in Baltimore USA, as the Senior Financial Analyst for Citifinancial. She had taken time off from outside-the-home work with the arrival of her baby Anton Joseph.

IR99

Faith Kazembo is now in the Foreign Service for her country Malawi! See her full Spotlight - pg. 6! **Shannon-Marie Soni** too is with the Foreign Service for her country Canada, and is on assignment to the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations in New York. She recently had the chance to speak at the UN General Assembly in the Fourth Committee on Special Political and Decolonization, and was quoted in the subsequent press release! **Daisuke Yamada** got married in early October! **Zainal Sanusi** was awarded a Doctoral Degree from Waseda University in September. From October he started a fellowship at United Nation University Institute of Advanced Studies in Yokohama – a 10 month assignment. After that he returns to start teaching at the University Science Malaysia, Penang, Malaysia.

Shannon2.jpg

IM99

Whitney Smith is now Whitney Jiranek, as wedding bells rang for her on May 8. She continues on a Credit Suisse First Boston as VP for Japan Equity Sales in New York. **Anna Lea Mejia** and **John Mackay** (IR98) had a baby boy in October. Welcome little Hugo! They are in Tokyo, Anna with Guidant as Director of Branding and Organizational Development and John with Mizuho as Vice President of the Project Finance Division.

IR2000

Tim Aron became a Barrister in October. Congratulations! For those as naïve as I am, a Barrister is: “a “courtroom lawyer” who practices out of an office called a “chambers.””

IM2000

Yuta Kano wrote in: “I visited UK on biz from the end of October thru the beginning of November. When I entered a Japanese restaurant in London, I ran into **Sumanee Tharapatn** and **Tim Aron** (IR00). It is really a small world! They seemed as good a couple as they were in IUJ days. It is good to see IUJ friends in such an unexpected way.” Sumanee is with Lehman Brothers, Yuta is with Chubu Electric Power. **Weihong Ding** is in Shanghai running a new corporate training company called Shanghai Linzi Counseling. She received great help from IUJers in Shanghai, including **Milly Ng** (IM01) who is managing the Shanghai office of Abeam Consulting and had Weihong's company provide training to them. Also, **Masataka Jo** (1985) provided helpful advice before he left for his new role in Hong Kong for Fuji Xerox. **Hui Tang** is in Tokyo working for Bank of America, Securities, Japan. **Cip Marin** took up a new post with an institutional money manager in London, State Street Global Advisors – SSGA.

IR01

Zhang, Dian Mei (Cho, Dembai) is now in Hong Kong working as the Director for Laservall Asia Co., Ltd.

IM01

Dwi Amiardsih is on a leave of absence from her work with the Indonesian Government in order to be with her husband

and IUJ Alum, **Sudarto** in Australia. Sudarto is a PhD candidate in Economics at the University of New South Wales, which he began a year ago. Dwi is taking care of their two little ones, and supporting a very busy PhD student. **Mansur Akbutin** announced the birth of his second son in July, AND a new job with Merrill Lynch in Tokyo. **Federico Silfa** got married in October to Ayumi! Several might already know her as they met before IUJ days. Congratulations to you both!

IR02

Hilman Satria took a new post for the Indonesian Government in the Customs section as Head of Intelligence – Prevention and Enforcement. **Tungalag Ulambayar** is now a Policy and PRA specialist in Environmental Conservation & Community Development for the New Zealand Nature Institute working in cooperation between New Zealand and Mongolia from a base in Ulaanbaatar.

IM02

Tadashi Yamaguchi moved from the ODA department to Environment business section at Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu. He is in charge of starting up the CDM (Clean Development Mechanism) and GHG emission trading businesses. Two days after the IUJ event in Hanoi in August, event organizer **Mai The Cuong** and his wife who also joined the party, welcomed the arrival of their son. His name is Mai Nhat Nam. ‘Mai’ which is his Daddy’s last name, stands for the name of a flower. “Nhat Nam” has two meanings: (i) Southern sun; and (ii) Japan - Vietnam. ALSO joining the world in August is Christopher, **Michael Wierzbinski** and Ariko’s baby boy (in the Photo). Congratulations new parents!

Wierzbinksi
baby.jpg

The Wierzbinski Baby!

Ebiz02

Miki Numata is the Project Leader at Dai Nippon Printing Co., in the RFID project, Communication & Information Operations.

IR03

Ha Phan joined the Office of Vietnam National Assembly in the Project Management Division, Sweden-Vietnam Cooperation Project. **Innocent Shiyo** attended the 59th session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York this Fall representing the Tanzanian government in his post with the Ministry of Foreign affairs and International Cooperation. **Ryoji Ito** is the General Manager of Human Resources and General Affairs for Nojima Corp. in Tokyo – running a staff of 2000 plus, and traveling to China on special assignments.

IM03

Tod Su snatched a position with Commerzbank Securities in Tokyo in Financial Control. **Muhammad Touriq** and his wife Elda welcomed their second baby, Aghna, in September! Congratulations. **Dewan Karim** is in Toronto Canada pursuing a degree in Financial Planning while working at Fiera Foods Inc. as the Inventory Manager. He will be in Toronto through Fall 2005 and hopes to meet IUJers while there. He was recently in Korea participating in a conference and training on e-government initiatives arranged by Development Gateway Foundation-Korea Training Center and sponsored by Ministry of Information and Communication, Korea

K a r i m i n
Korea.jpg

Karim recognized at the conference

Ebiz03

Abdulbaqi ID (Tola) Ibishomi recently returned to Nigeria to launch an Internet Café! It is in operation now, with a bright future ahead. **Miyuki Horie** is now with EVA Airways in Tokyo.

IR04

Georgi Kocharkov is in Hungary at the Central European University. **Zubairu Wai** is settled in at York University, but writes: “I miss IUJ in ways I never imagined possible: the scenery, the rice paddies, the trees, Sakura in spring, the mountains; in fact everything. Being enrolled at a big university now, I have come to realize the importance and richness of the interpersonal ties and the community life that we shared at IUJ as students. Those are qualities that are not easily found at universities anywhere else. I love and miss IUJ!!!!” **Duc Vu** has already changed jobs from working at the UNDP to now serving as a Program Director for Vietnam Education Foundation – a foundation promoting education and science exchange between the US and Vietnam. **Aziz Bebitov** started a PhD program in November at The University of Birmingham, Centre for Russian and East European Studies.

IM04

Thant Sin is in Florida at the Chapman Graduate School of Business, Florida International University starting on his PhD in MIS, AND will soon be teaching online courses. **Andreas Sollund** landed an IT position with Nokia in Tokyo. **Lukman Aroean** is still a student – this time in the UK as PhD student of Marketing at University of East Anglia. **Trung Hong** finds himself busier than ever in a new career with IBM. He is the Country Manager in Vietnam for the Personal Computer Division of IBM Vietnam & Indochina. **Thida Heng** is a Business Analyst for an IFC/World Bank Group-run project in Cambodia, Mekong Private Sector Development Facility.

Ebiz04

This group JUST graduated but rumor has it they are already planning a reunion in Bali!

Faculty Notes

Prof. Y. Asakawa is now a Visiting IUJ professor, and recently became an outside board member of Takeda Pharmaceutical Company, the largest pharmaceutical company in Japan, as one of its corporate auditors.

Ibrahim Kuschu is the conference chairman of a major mgovernment conference:

The First Euro Conference on Mobile Government

The EURO mGOV, 2005

10-12 July 2005, Sussex University

<http://www.icmg.mgovernment.org/euro.html>

Several IUJers are involved including IM Dean Borucki, and recent E-biz grads Betty Yu and Farshid Ghyasi.

Earthquake - cont. from Page 3

Students, too, wanted to contribute back to the town’s people that were so generous to them during the crisis. In this light, it was decided that Open Day would go on as scheduled, despite the risk of strong aftershocks, to thank the city and help re-energize the area. JICA provided a generous donation to the event and town’s people participated at no charge. A small collection was taken up for the victims in Ojiya. TV crews came in to film the event for news spots.

One newspot featuring IUJ’s contribution to the region was aired nation-wide on Dec. 2 and featured the African team who not only danced at Open Day, but traveled to a few local community groups to perform for them, and provide words of support and encouragement. The SnowFlakes club facilitated.

New Initiatives and Alumni

1

IUJ Ambassadors

The IUJ Ambassadors program was launched 8 years ago aimed at helping IUJ reach out to a world wide audience through word-of-mouth information sharing. Several statistics show that one of our strongest PR tools is indeed our alumni.

This year, the program was greatly expanded to include new initiatives and a more proactive approach. New Ambassadors from the most recent graduating classes were encouraged to sign up, and the response was very exciting! They are asked to help with some or all of the following activities:

- Email exchange with prospective students if that candidate asks for an introduction (an on-going program)
- PROACTIVE email and telephoning of those who expressed interest in IUJ and/or attended one of the MBA or MA fairs.
- Informal Information sessions, like Tea Parties, in 15 key cities organized by the Ambassador and inviting those interested in IUJ.
- Poster and Brochure distribution to key locations to attract an audience interested in Japan and a global education chance.
- Institutional Relationship Building - The Ambassadors are asked to find 1 or 2 membership organizations in their area interested in Japan and help IUJ build a relationship with them.
- Online chatting/conferencing with students and prospective students.

2

Alumni Experts

The effort to identify Alumni interested in contributing to the academic offerings and research efforts of campus continues. See the online profile section for details.

Alumni Discussion Boards Re-opened

Job Alerts Posted here

Thanks to creative solutions from the MLIC Computer staff, Alumni Relations is happy to announce the re-opening of the Online Discussion boards for IUJ Alumni.

Currently, 3 topics are featured

- **Job Hunters Information Sharing**
- **International Organization Networking**
- **Business Connections**

Alumni may access the Discussion Boards through the Alumni Directory pages. Note the **tabs** at the top of the page which include:

- **Instructions** (how to use the directory)
- **Profile** (Your contact info, Volunteer options, etc.)
- **Alumni Search** (Find friends, others in your city)
- **Discussions** (Exchange ideas, see job info)
- **Global Workplace** (For mid-career job hunting)

Please add topics of interest to you, and participate in the information sharing and online dialogue with fellow Alumni. Know of a job opening? Please post it!

If you have not already registered for access to the Online Alumni Directory, you must first do that.

Get started at <http://www.iuj.ac.jp/alumni/directory>

MBA Students in Entrepreneurial Contest Against 81 other Schools

Five 2nd year students compete in the Thunderbird-sponsored

Global Innovations Challenge '04

<http://www.innovationchallenge.net/>

The team of Jamshid Khayrullayev, Seda Arat, Raafat Hamze, Madeleine Pinod and Manu Bansal had one week to prepare a business plan for the company named Sunbeam Kitchen Appliances. The competition was highly competitive with over 240 teams participating from 81 top MBA schools in the world all submitting business plans online in the first round.

“Our team was given the gruelling task of coming up with an innovative idea to improve the existing or to create new kitchen appliances for Sunbeam. The team spent days and nights and came up with an innovative idea of 'Style Cocons': Stylish Shells for Your Sunbeam Appliances and prepared a business plan on the above theme. The experience gained in the whole process was really great” explains Manu. The Stylish Shells idea would allow owners to change the color scheme and atmosphere of their kitchen to correspond with a holiday or party theme.

“I hope IUJ will continue supporting students and encourage them to participate in similar competitions in the future.”

The final results gave the top prize of \$20,000 to Spain's Instituto de Empresa, 2nd place to Vanderbilt, and 3rd place to Michigan State. IUJ is planning to give it another try in Fall 2005.

Business Connections

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

MBA 2004 alum Nick Rossiter, now a consultant in Shanghai, has recently written a series of articles on outsourcing to China and accessing the China market. A synopsis of one of those articles appears below.

Outsourcing to China

Article at a glance

Already the "World's Factory", many analysts now predict China is poised to carve out a significant slice of the IT and business process outsourcing market. China's IT outsourcing exports of US\$400 million in 2004 are expected to reach US\$2.5 billion by 2008, the majority being from Japan. This growth has spurred the entry of major global IT firms such as IBM, Cap Gemini, and Bearingpoint; Indian players such as Infosys and TCS, and a host of local Chinese startups.

Key take-away

Offering cost advantages over other outsourcing destinations, and access to a huge domestic market, there are powerful reasons for some companies to consider outsourcing to China. However a number of cultural and market-development factors need to be considered when assessing whether China - or a particular provider there - is the right fit for your company's needs.

The potential pitfalls

- ▶ Intellectual property protection
- ▶ Lack of experience in management of large-scale projects
- ▶ Talent shortcomings
- ▶ Quality
- ▶ Communication
- ▶ Cultural differences
- ▶ Variable capabilities and services levels

And how to avoid them

- ▶ Ample evaluation prior to selection
- ▶ Long-term investment
- ▶ Minimizing risks
- ▶ Vision and leadership in management
- ▶ Setting performance goals
- ▶ Managing relationships

Full-text of the article:

<http://tinyurl.com/3tgj7>

This article was originally published in EuroBiz magazine.

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Art Gallery in Cambodia

Vanndy Hem (IR02)

When not an Economics and Finance Officer for the Asian Development Bank in Cambodia, Vanndy is running a unique Art Gallery out of his home at #50, St. 432, Phnom Penh

"Sunrise Gallery

V a n n d y
Front.jpg

Vanndy's Art Gallery entrance

was established with the ideal of presenting the best of Khmer paintings in an environment of comfort, appreciation and satisfaction. We offer a variety of painting from oil paintings to watercolor, to acrylic, to impasto to pencil sketch. We offer a selection of Khmer renowned artists. Our gallery sells at fixed prices to make customers' purchase more comfortable. Our original paintings are also made by our master artists to meet the standard international size and preference.

Within our facilities, we also offer a venue for appropriate art exhibitions. Please view our website at www.cam-sunrisegallery.com. I am building it with the support of my friends in Japan. It will contain all paintings available at our gallery. For online orders, our first phase is to make international order available with the local payment arrangements. Our next step is to make online order and payment available. We need sometime to secure the system and make it run properly.

*Vanndy and JP
Ambassador.jpg*

*Vanndy with the Japanese Ambassador
at his art gallery's grand opening*

We are pleased to welcome our Alumni and IUJers who will be visiting Phnom Penh to our gallery. You can enjoy our paintings accompanied by soft background music. We will exhibit a series of paintings about Krama (khmer craft) in the near future. You will have the opportunity to see its benefits and how it is used in various circumstances in Cambodian society."

Business, Security, and the Environment

Kenzaburo Mogi, Kikkoman

IUJ Entrance Ceremony (September 28th, 2004)

// Let us consider for a moment what the purpose of your study at IUJ is? You may be dreaming of developing a professional career in international organizations such as the United Nations, the OECD, the International Monetary Fund or the World Bank. You may be considering becoming successful in the business world or in academic circles. That's fine and try hard to accomplish it.

I would like to remind you, however, of one important factor. And that factor is necessary for success and happiness in your future life. That is, **to establish a sound vision for the "entire human society"; a society which is 1) peaceful, 2) comfortable and 3) sustainable for all human beings on earth.**

An individual's long-term happiness and success are not possible without the entire society striving toward a united vision. The society must be at peace in order for an individual to have any chance of happiness on a long term basis. I believe a healthy and sound society and an individual's happiness are closely connected and interdependent.

In today's world we are facing serious and difficult problems which are obstacles to our peaceful life. I see two major problems. And taking this opportunity, let us think about them.

First is the problem of security. The cold war is over but the regional wars and the acts of terrorism are creating many tragedies one after another. It is time that we must gain the wisdom to create a peaceful and safe society. We need mutual understanding and respect for our differences. There must be a way of learning to go beyond the racial and religious differences and to create a world devoid of suspicion and hate. Problems must be solved, not by violence but by negotiation and mutual understanding.

Second is overcoming environmental problems. The implicit premises of the GNP growth-oriented economic theory hold that the population will keep growing, natural resources will continue to be found, and technological progress will keep advancing. I am fully aware that economics and economists have made a great contribution to the development of human society and welfare. As a matter of fact, I graduated from Hitotsubashi University in 1960 along with President Yamazawa majoring in economics. But, I wonder whether the economic theories can stay as they are today.

I am afraid we have put such a burden on Mother Earth that she will not be able to tolerate us much longer.

Although there are many schools and theories from time to time, the basic analytic tools of macroeconomics are still ones provided by John Maynard Keynes in his "General Theory" of 1936 when there was no necessity of considering today's environmental problems. The world population in the 1930s was about 2 billion and it was about 3 bn in 1960, compared to the 6.3 billion today. Now we

face the problems of global warming, destruction of the ozone layer, pollution of the air and water and how to feed the increasing world population. I am afraid we have put such a burden on Mother Earth that she will not be able to tolerate us much longer. Economics should develop new paradigms in the face of an entirely different world today from that of the 1930s.

Many things have to be done in order to cope with the environmental problems and they should be done on the basis of interna-

tional cooperation. The mere repetition of international competition will create even more serious problems. The invisible hand of God will not work here despite the hope that Adam Smith expressed back in the 18th century. It is of vital importance and urgent necessity to think about how we can secure and maintain world peace and any decent life for future generations.

There must be a way of learning to go beyond the racial and religious differences and to create a world devoid of suspicion and hate. Problems must be solved, not by violence but by negotiation and mutual understanding. . . . think of what you can accomplish on an individual basis and as a group.

To achieve these goals, international cooperation is essential. I really wish that you will become capable of contributing to achieving this international cooperation. If 50 different countries are indeed represented here on this campus, I would like all of you to think of what you can accomplish on an individual basis and as a group.

Whatever you learn from each other will be a great asset in creating a peaceful, sound and sustainable global society in the future. I do hope that your studies, your friendships and your interactions at this university will be instrumental in solving the many difficult problems we face in today's world.

Thank you and I wish you good luck! //

Mr. Kenzaburo Mogi

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Bank of Tokyo, Ltd. 1960 - 1962
Kikkoman Corporation 1962 - present
Vice Chairman 2004 June - present

OUTSIDE AFFILIATIONS

Tokyo Employers' Association
The Foundation for Children's Future
English Speaking Union of Japan
Nippon-Keidanren International Cooperation Center
Japan Association of Corporate Executives
Central Child Welfare Council

EDUCATION

Hitotsubashi University, BA, Economics
Harvard Business School, MBA

Alumni Annual Meeting 2005

March 15, IUJ Tokyo Office 2F

6:30 General Meeting 7:30 Buffet Dinner for Alumni and Faculty

RSVP to alumni@iuj.ac.jp

Message from GLOCOM Platform

Our GLOCOM Platform (<http://www.glocom.org>) is closely working with IUJ to post the following information:

1) **IUJ Page** (www.glocom.org/iujindex.html)

Ippei Yamazawa (President, IUJ) "Speech at the Graduation Ceremony for GSIM's E-Business Management Program"

2) **Video Series** (www.glocom.org/videoindex.html)

Ippei Yamazawa "Japan and East Asian Economic Integration"

3) **Seminar Series** (www.glocom.org/seminar)

Tomohito Shinoda (IUJ) "Practice of 'Kantei' Diplomacy"

4) **Yotario Kobayashi** (Chairman, IUJ) "A New Profile for Japan"

5) **Chadwick Smith** (IUJ Class of 2005) "Japan and a Constitutional Court: The Path for the Future?"

6) **Newsletter** (Monthly) in Japanese

Please join us online:

GLOCOM Platform (www.glocom.org)

Takahiro Miyao, Professor, GLOCOM

Exciting line up at Fall Convocations on Campus

IUJ Convocation series 2004-2005 brought distinguished guest speakers to the campus so that students, faculty and staff members can gain fresh information and insights outside of regular class sessions. It is organized twice or three times each term by IUJ President, Dr. Ippei Yamazawa.

A full-time faculty member whose field is closest to that of the lecture topic serves as commentator. The President introduces the guest speaker, chairs the convocation and moderates the question and answer time.

This Fall term the following Convocations were enjoyed by active audiences:

Dr. Kwan Chi Hung, Senior Economist, Nomura Institute of Capital Markets Topic: "China Participates in Global Economic Management"

Ambassador Hisham Badr, Arab Republic of Egypt, on "Prospects for Peace in the Middle East."

IUJ's New Address! Yamato-machi and Muikamachi merged to become Minami Uonuma City!

On November 1, IUJ's address became:

**International University of Japan
777 Kokusai-cho
Minami Uonuma-Shi
Niigata, 949-7302 Japan**

Kokusai-cho, or International town, was selected from ideas submitted by students, faculty and staff. Three people suggested Kokusai-cho: 2 current students (one from India, one from Japan) and staff member I. Abe. The Prefecture approved it to replace 777 Anaji Shinden!

Editor's Note: *The Alumni Network really proved itself effective these past few months as support for campus and for Angelito Nayan poured in from across the globe, as well as the huge interest in the Worldwide IUJ Friday, the new Ambassador's initiatives, and the Business School survey. Reports of lasting friendships and a strengthening network come in regularly. Please continue to keep in touch, call upon each other for business and pleasure, and work together as a collective whole for a better tomorrow (see page 15).*

This issue of Alumni News is dedicated to Lito - may we all be so giving.

The next "Alumni News" newsletter deadline is June 3, 2005 for the July edition.