

## Global COE Program, Selection Results for FY2009 Grants

For FY2009 grants, JSPS received 145 applications from national, public and private universities in February. The Subcommittee established under the Global COE Program Committee conducted document and panel reviews.

In the selection process, document reviews were conducted using as reference the overall evaluation and comments of Japanese ad hoc reviewers (about two per application; total of 261 researchers) to screen the applications and select those to be forwarded for panel reviews.

The panel reviews were conducted using as reference the overall evaluation and comments of the overseas ad hoc reviewers (about two per application; total of 32 researchers) to evaluate the proposed COE programs' potential for building a more internationally competitive university.

Based on the above process, the final decision on grant selections was made by the Global COE Program Committee at its 27 May meeting. The results were as follows:

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		Universities	Applications
Applications		85	145
Hearings		13	21
Selections		9	9