

Re-Inventing Japan Project

Support for the Formation of Collaborative Programs with ASEAN Universities

[Name of Project] (Adopted year: FY2012, Category I)

Program to Foster Pioneers to Transform the Populations-Activities-Resources and Environments (PARE) Chain

[Aim of project, Ideals of Global Human Resources on the project]

This Program is intended to support the establishment of a collaborative educational system involving Hokkaido University's six partner institutions in Indonesia and Thailand in order to foster global leaders who will be active in resolving challenges related to populations, activities, resources and environments (PARE) in ASEAN countries. This Program is intended to foster individuals with four specific characteristics (field research capacity, cross cultural capability, a frontier spirit and problem-solving competency) that are essential for practical resolution of issues in the PARE chain.

[Summary of project]

This Program is expected to produce leaders and create a network to support development in Asia. To this end, collaborative education in conjunction with the PARE consortium will be provided to ensure quality in multidisciplinary teaching, to create an educational collaboration model incorporating coordination between academic fieldwork and lab work, and to establish a PARE alumni network that will bring together experts and research results from different fields.

■ Forming the University Network with Quality Assurance

- An operational and management system has been realized through the establishment of the Steering Committee and the Working Group for Educational Content. Through the above committees, the policy for implementation structure and for developing the content of the educational program has been determined.
- The Faculty Development (FD) Workshop was held on March 25, 2013, with the attendance of the Steering Committee members in order to discuss quality improvements to the program content.



〈 National Steering Committee 〉



〈 FD Workshop 〉

■ Contents of the Programs, Preparation for the Start of the Programs



○ Contents of the Programs in JFY2012

In the preparatory phase of this program, the dispatch/acceptance of students to/from the partner universities was carried out on a trial basis from January through April 2013. On April 20 and May 7, 2013, debriefing sessions of dispatched students were held. The Certification of Program Attendance was awarded to those who participated in this program.

○ Preparation for the Programs in JFY2013

- The implementation plan for summer school, including application procedures, the recruitment schedule, the content and so on, has been discussed and determined by the Steering Committee. Recruitment of students has started.
- The implementation plan for semester-long dispatch/acceptance of students from/to six (6) partner universities in Indonesia/Thailand has also been discussed by Steering Committee, and the recruitment of students has started.
- Preparations have begun for the Spring School, which will be held at Kasetsart University (Thailand) in March 2014.



〈 FY2012 The debriefing session of dispatch students 〉

■ Students-Mobility

○ Outbound: The dispatch of Japanese students to partner institutions

- Group discussions held in English during summer/spring school
- Classes provided by member institutions, and field work at host institutions for the students going abroad for one semester or one year

○ Inbound: The hosting of international students from partner institutions

- Group discussions during summer school
- Enrollment in HU classes, and research activities for students coming to Japan for one semester or one year

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Outbound	17	30	30	30	30
Inbound	18	30	30	30	30

*Note FY2012 : results, FY2013-FY2016 : planned

■ Promotion of Student-Mobility Environment

- HU' s Central Office and the Liaison Offices of member institutions will provide a one-stop service for academic and daily life matters for students.
- A range of employment support programs will be organized (discussions with corporate recruiters, establishment/hosting of Hokkaido University International Strategy Information Sessions (tentative name)).

■ Visualization of the Content of Education, Dissemination of the Outcomes

○ Visualization of the Content of Education

The program curriculum guide will be available soon at the PARE website: <http://www.4pare.org>.

The program progress status is available at our website: <http://www.hokudai.ac.jp/international3/ryugaku/pare/view/>, and at our blog: <http://pareproject.blogspot.jp/>

○ Dissemination of the Outcomes

The international collaborative educational system will become a model case that will not only be shared throughout the campus, but also applied and developed in other fields and regions.