Re-Inventing Japan Project Kyushu University
Support for the Formation of Collaborative Programs with ASEAN Universities

[Name of project] (Adopted year: FY2012, Category II)

A Spiral Model of Collaborative Education: Balancing Global and Local Values through Legal Mind [Aim of project, Ideals of Global Human Resource on the project]

To foster experts bridging ASEAN and Japan who value universal principles whilst understanding local diversities through the development of a legal mind.

# [Summary of project]

A comprehensive cooperation program with 4 leading ASEAN universities, namely National University of Singapore, University of Malaya, Chulalongkorn University, and Ateneo de Manila University through short and semester-length exchanges and double degree programs, as well as an internship program under the Spiral Model.

# ■Forming the University Network with Quality Assurance

- Japan's pioneering LL.M. --- the basis of the Project
- ◆Launched in 1994 as Japan's first ever LL.M. program taught entirely in English, the LL.M. program has provided high quality legal education at global standards to more than 400 graduates now working in various legal fields around the world. The program also partners with top international law schools through credit exchanges.
- \*Tapping on the success of the current LL.M. course system, the project ensures quality and strengths are shared to the partners through a regular (annual) coordination meeting.
- Installation of the External Evaluation Committee (2014)
- In order to maintain and improve the program, experts from various disciplines were tapped to give feedback and recommendations as members of the External Evaluation Committee.

# ■Contents of the Programs

Short-term Exchange --- Gate Way to the SEND Program





Malaysia Short-term visit 2013

In 2012 and 2013, under the themes of Cultural Heritage and Conflict Management, the following were initiated: 1. Training prior to dispatch (includes ASEAN language and Japanese-language teaching trainings). 2. Seminar classes that focused on the themes. 3. Workshops with students of university partners (Law and Japan Studies). Additionally, workshops with ASEAN high schools and 1-day internships with local Japanese companies were also conducted. For 2014, with Cultural Heritage and Cultural Identity as the focal theme, the "Cool Japan Policy" was also included in the program. Furthermore, on March 2014, students from the 4 partner universities joined Kyushu University students for a special program in Okinawa. From the bilateral exchanges until this point, the

Okinawa program gave the opportunity for multilateral exchanges that fostered deeper understanding on the diverse ASEAN and Japanese cultures. A total of 64 outbound and 35 inbound students have benefited from the program as of 2013.

## Semester Exchange, Internship & Double Degree Program

Customized programs were also created for upper-class students and graduate students. On 2013, 1 student went to NUS and helped introduce Japanese culture to the locals. Likewise, together with the University of Malaya, a long-term internship program for the Asia-Pacific Regional Office for the Hague Conference. Double degree agreements with partner law faculties are now under discussions for the targeted completion in 2014

## **■**Student-Mobility

### Outbound

In 2013, 42 students have participated in the exchange programs. Of the total, 1 was for semester exchange, and another for a long-term internship program. For 2015, a new Global Vantage Program will integrate the law undergrad and the LL.M. through 1. Internationalization and improvement of English language ability of the students. 2. Creation of a Mobility program that can fill the gap between graduation and the entry into the graduate studies or the workplace.

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Outbound	22	42	26	40	40
Inbound	0	35	28	32	36

Note: FY2012 -2013 results, FY2014 -2016 planned

In order to increase students' interaction with our partner Universities, & high schools, we will provide a high-quality exchange program that includes workshops & other activities to be lead by our students.

# **■**Promotion of Student-Mobility Environment

Enhanced "Internationalization" & "English Proficiency"

To enhance the internationalization of the Japanese student, lecture in English for small-group classes, more opportunities to take TOEFL exam, and exchanges with Kyushu University foreign students, will be promoted.

### Staff Development

Provide support and information before, during, and after participation in the program.

## Hosting Students Based on Our Rich Experience

Kyushu University is one of the leading Universities in hosting international students in Japan by providing a "one stop service" support center for foreign students.

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

Website and SNS information integration (http://www.law.kyushu-u.ac.jp/sekaitenkai/)

Through our website, we will distribute information of our program using videos & new tool such as SNS.

### Student's Follow-up Seminars

Presentation of research outcome was conducted with a partner institution (2013 UM) and former participants (outbound program) made presentations about the program to the younger students during follow-up seminars.