

ASEAN-Japan ICT Work Plan for 2007-2009

Progress Report

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Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications
JAPAN

Action 1-1

Facilitate high-speed connection among all national information infrastructure by 2010

Proposal	Japan to invite ASEAN Member Countries to participate in the training workshops and/or seminars on Disaster Prevention and Management Communications
Progress	In Jan. 2008, ASEAN informed MIC that the Republic of Philippines would host this workshop. MIC passed this information to APT Secretariat. APT Secretariat dispatched the Invitation for this workshop on July 9, 2008.

Action 1-2

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Proposal	Japan to assist ASEAN Member Countries in conducting pilot projects in rural areas by making use of its extra budgetary contributions to APT
Progress	<p>APT, in consultation with MIC, selected the following two projects for Year 2007.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Pilot Study to Support Rural Education by Wireless Link (Thailand)- Pilot Installation of e-Health System in Kandai Province by Wireless LAN Network (Cambodia) <p>APT sent invitations for Year 2008 Projects on July 2, 2008.</p>

Action 1-3

Facilitate high-speed connection among all national information infrastructure by 2010

Proposal	Japan to assist ASEAN in developing the Practice Guidelines for the Management of USO Fund
Progress	<p>The workshop on the Technology Assessment for Universal Service Obligation Practices in ASEAN Member Countries (tau-project) was held last September in Indonesia.</p> <p><u>This project was successfully completed last December.</u></p>

Action 1-4

Facilitate high-speed connection among all national information infrastructure by 2010

Proposal	Conduct seminars on Next Generation IP based Network (NGN) taking into account the importance of promoting coordination and cooperation between Japan and ASEAN countries
Progress	Japan hosted the APT Training Course on Strategic Planning and Development of NGN in February 2008. Five officials were invited from the ASEAN Region with the APT's fellowship sponsored by Japan.

Action 2-2

Promote international cooperation on collection, share and analysis of incident information concerning information security

Proposal	To convene a high-level meeting on ICT security issues
Progress	A tentative concept paper of the ASEAN-Japan Information Security Policy Meeting, drafted by the National Information Security Center of Japan in coordination with MIC and METI, was circulated to ASEAN members.

Action 3-2

Encourage the participation of all stakeholders (i.e. people, communities, enterprises and public administrations) in utilization and development of ICT applications and services on the regional information infrastructure

Proposal	Japan to support ASEAN capacity in research and development concerning a Multilanguage Translation Technology
Progress	National Institute of Information and Communications Technology (NICT) Japan held “the third ADD school” to give a series of lectures on applied Natural Language Processing from Feb 25 to March 3, 2008 in Thailand.

Action 4-1

Deepen regional policy and regulatory framework to deal with the opportunities and challenges in the area of Next Generation IP based Network, including the interoperability of products/ services, information systems and networks in the convergence environment

Proposal	Japan to assist ASEAN in reviewing the Radio and/or Telecommunications Law to ensure the ICT legal infrastructure is in line with the market demands and the results of technological advances by providing information and organizing a training course
Progress	Japan hosted the APT Training Course on Competition Policy in March 2008. Three officials were invited from the ASEAN Region with the APT's fellowship sponsored by Japan.

Action 4-2

Deepen regional policy and regulatory framework to deal with the opportunities and challenges in the area of Next Generation IP based Network, including the interoperability of products/ services, information systems and networks in the convergence environment

Proposal	To convene a meeting between Japan and ASEAN back-to-back with the 14th ASEAN Telecommunications Regulators Council (ATRC) Meeting in Singapore in mid 2008 to exchange information on regulatory regimes, especially in NGN era
Progress	The first ASEAN+J meeting was held on June 19, 2008 in Singapore during the 14th ATRC meeting. Two Japanese experts participated in this meeting.

Other Actions

Action 2-1	To strengthen coordination between Telecom-ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) in Japan and network operators in ASEAN Member Countries and to establish a regional liaison mechanism for exchanging information concerning security incident in the field of information and communications
Action 3-1	To conduct an ASEAN-Japan Workshop on ICT applications
Action 5	To study the possibility of exchanging information and opinions between ASEAN and Japan on mutual recognition of telecom equipment at the sideline of another meeting in 2008
Action 6	To study the possibility of convening an ICT Business Forum between Japan and ASEAN