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Knowledge Partnerships for the regional and global public goods: JICA-RI's experience

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1. JICA-RI's Research Approach: nexus of researchers and practitioners



- (1) *Peace and Development*
- (2) *Growth and Poverty Reduction*
- (3) *Environment and Development/Climate Change*
- (4) *Aid Strategies*

As a research institute affiliated with a development agency, JICA-RI's work is both policy- and operations-oriented, carried out **together with various operational and academic organizations and professionals.**

- Established on October 1, 2008. Based in Ichigaya, Tokyo.
- Currently 18 full-time Researchers and 6 part-time visiting fellows



2. Research Partnerships for the Regional Public Goods

- Global Development Network (GDN) & East Asian Development Network (EADN)
- Collaboration with ASEAN + 3 researchers on Human Security
- Research Partnership and Exchange with Korea and China



Partnership with GDN & EADN

Case Study of Resilience in Southeast Asian Countries (2013-2014)

Purpose

To empower (particularly young) researchers in developing and transition countries



Outcomes

- Reporting 4 Case Studies on Resilience from Philippine, Vietnam, Indonesia, and Thailand.
- Sharing the Research Results of the cases of Indonesia and Thailand in the EADN annual meeting in July 2014 in Manila.

N.B. GDN-Japan (based in JICA-RI) and EADN (based in PIDS) are two of the GDN's 11 regional networks.



Human Security in Practice: East Asian Experiences

Collaboration with ASEAN+3 researchers

Exploring the way to further operationalize the idea of human security by identifying good practices in East Asia (i.e. ASEAN +3)

Phase 1 (Nov. 2013 – Mar. 2015)

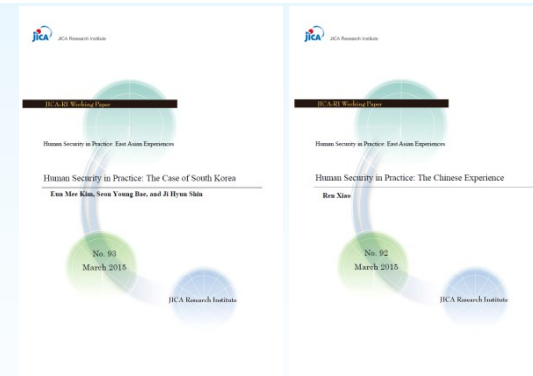
Inquiring into various stakeholders' **understanding of the concept** of human security as well as their **perceptions of threats** to human security in each country and the region.

→ 9 JICA-RI Working Papers published (as of Mar. 2015)

Phase 2: (Apr. 2015 – Oct. 2016)

Case studies to address 3 questions: (1) how to deal with **national sovereignty** when pressing needs arise, (2) how to provide **comprehensive** support, (3) how to promote **bottom-up empowerment** in addition to top-down protection

→ *Research outcome will be published as an academic book*



COLLABORATION with:

ASEAN-ISIS (Institutes of Strategic and International Studies), Univ. of the Philippines-Diliman, Chulalongkorn Univ. (Thailand), Nanyang Technological University (Singapore) Fudan Univ., Zhejiang Univ. (China) Ewha Womens Univ., Sungkyunkwan University (South Korea) Kobe University (Japan)



Research Partnership and Exchange with Korea and China

- ▶ Organizes annual KOICA-JICA joint-workshops (latest one in Tokyo titled “The Nexus of ODA Research and Practice”).
- ▶ Consultations with China Chinese Academy of International Trade and Economic Cooperation (CAITEC) based on MoU.
- ▶ Partnership with China International Development Research Network (CIDRN) since 2013.
- ▶ Presentations at CCER of Peking University, Beijing Normal University, etc.



3. Research Partnerships for the Global Public Goods

- Brookings Institution
- Initiative for Policy Dialogue
(IPD/Columbia U.)
- French Development Agency (AFD)
& Institute for Development Studies (IDS)
- German Development Institute (DIE)
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Research Partnership with Brookings Institution

OUTPUT PUBLICATION:

- 1st phase: “*Catalyzing Development*” (2011)
- 2nd phase: “*Getting to Scale*” (2013)
- 3rd phase: “The Last Mile in Ending Extreme Poverty” will be published in July 2015



OBJECTIVES :

- ▶ Analyze how to promote aid effectiveness in changing aid architecture (*New Players, New Challenges, New Approaches*)(1st phase)
- ▶ Understand how to deliver global development solutions at *scale* (2nd phase)
- ▶ Uncover new evidence and identifying new ideas and solutions for spurring peace, jobs, and resilience in poor countries, to end extreme poverty (3rd phase)

COLLABORATION:

- ▶ Chapter authors include academics and aid practitioners
- ▶ Research outcomes are published in the form of academic but policy-oriented edited volumes from the Brookings Institution Press



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Research Partnership with Prof. Stiglitz -led Initiative for Policy Dialogue (IPD)

OUTPUT PUBLICATION:

- 1st phase: “*Good Growth and Governance in Africa*” (2012). Oxford Univ. Press.
- 2nd phase: “*Economic Transformation of Africa*”(2013). JICA-Columbia Univ. Working papers
- 3rd phase: New Perspectives to Industrial Development (to be published 2015)
- 4th phase: Quality Growth in Africa (tentative)



<3rd Phase: New Perspectives to Industrial Development>

OBJECTIVES :

- ▶ Analyse regional difference in “Learning Society”
- ▶ Propose how to make industrial policy more effective
- ▶ Propose role and design of development agencies and banks to promote industrial policy

COLLABORATION:

- ▶ Work both with academics and aid practitioners in taskforce meetings
- ▶ Publish outputs to contribute to policy discussions



Research Partnership with French Development Agency (AFD) & Institute of the Development Studies(IDS)

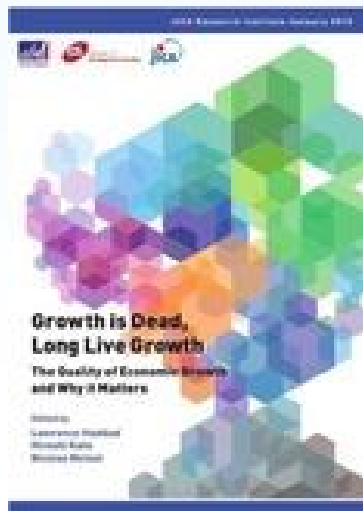
OUTPUT PUBLICATION:

“Growth is Dead, Long Live Growth: The Quality of Economic Growth and Why it Matters “

launched at Open seminar in AFD, Paris (Jan. 2015)



Photo: IDS



OBJECTIVES :

- ▶ Seek a desirable development model and growth in the 21st century
- ▶ Examine what type of grow quality we should care about
- ▶ Analyze how to measure growth quality
- ▶ Propose what kind of policies and approaches should be taken to ensure growth quality

COLLABORATION:

- ▶ Joint team composed of researchers from AFD, IDS and JICA
- ▶ Publish outputs to contribute to policy discussions; presentation in Parliament in France and the overview published on the Guardian in the U.K.



Research Collaboration and Exchange with Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE)

- ▶ Personnel Exchange between JICA-DIE (in Dec. 2013 and Feb. 2014)
- ▶ Organized JICA-DIE joint-workshops (in Feb. 2014 in Tokyo titled “The Politics and Impact of Non-Coordination in International Aid”)
- ▶ Organized JICA-DIE joint-symposiums (in March. 2015 in Tokyo titled “the Role of Emerging Economies and OECD Countries in the Post-2015 Era”).



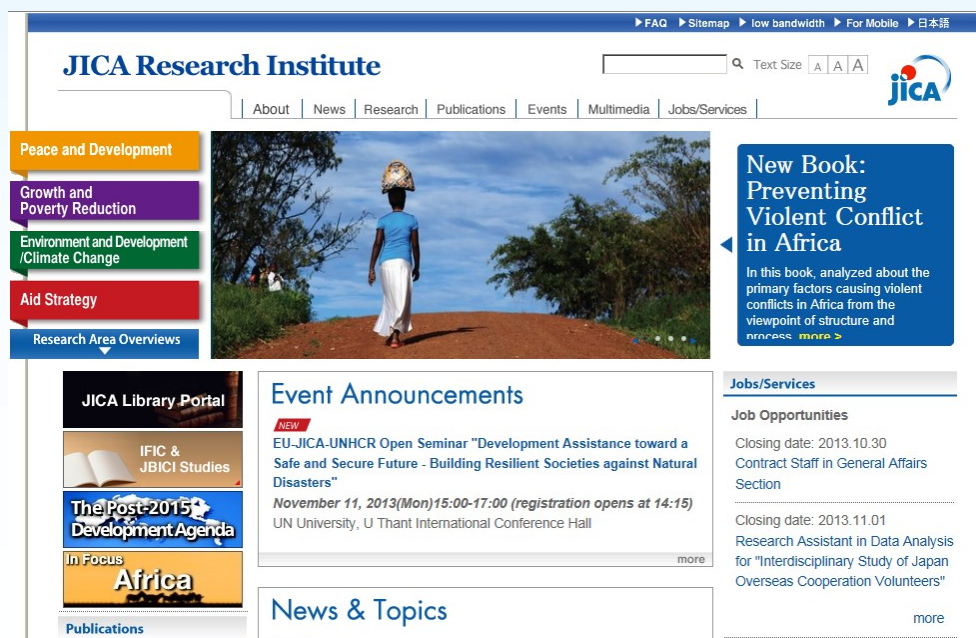


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