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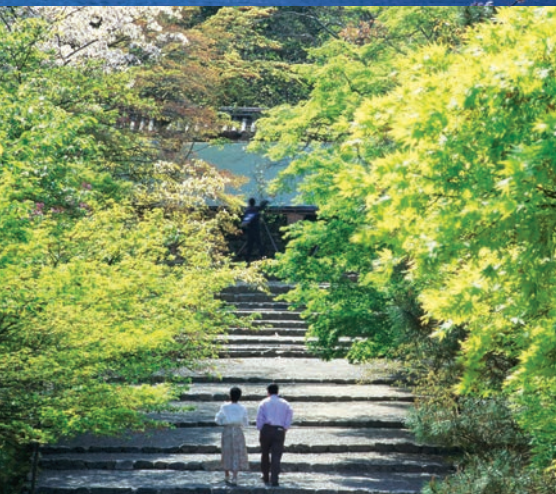


Utilizing Japan's Knowledge  
and Experience

by Policy Research Institute

# International Cooperation 2023





## Policy Research Institute



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### Preface

The Policy Research Institute (PRI), as the think-tank of the Ministry of Finance of Japan, is responsible for fundamental and comprehensive research and studies on fiscal and economic matters, the compilation of the History of Fiscal Policies in Japan and performance statistics of the Ministry of Finance, management of the Ministry Library, statistical research, and training for officials. The Office of International Research and Cooperation was established in July 1992 for the purpose of enhancing the PRI's international cooperation activities, and renamed as the International Cooperation Division through the organizational restructuring in May 2015. The PRI's international cooperation activities include intellectual support for developing countries (e.g., the acceptance of trainees and dispatch of experts to support reforms in fields such as fiscal policy, tax policy and policy-based finance) and research exchanges with foreign research institutes (e.g., holding joint workshops and accepting foreign researchers who study Japan's fiscal and economic affairs). The PRI will contribute to further economic development in developing countries through these international cooperation activities.

We hope that you will find this brochure useful to better understand our international cooperation activities.

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# COOPERATION



## Technical Cooperation

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# Intellectual Support

## Seminar on Economic Policies

## Intellectual Support

This annual seminar is aimed at helping participating countries develop their human resources, through the dissemination of knowledge and experiences regarding Japanese public finance and its economy to young executive candidates from finance ministries of developing countries, especially those in Asia, with which Japan has close social and economic relations. The seminar is also expected to contribute to the development of a network among fiscal authorities. The total number of participants up until now since the initial seminar in 1992 has reached more than 500.



### The 31st Seminar on Economic Policies 2023

Dates: May 18 to June 9, 2023

Number of participants: 12 Venue: Japan (Tokyo)

#### Policy Lectures

In order to pass on Japan's policies and experiences in economic activities across a wide range of fields, such as the economy, tax policy, and finances to the participants, lectures were delivered by scholars and experts.

##### Lecture topics

- The Japanese Economy: An Overview
- Public Expenditure Management
- Recent Developments of Japan's International Taxation
- Japan's Monetary and Fiscal Policy and others



#### General Lectures

With the aim of deepening participants' understanding of Japan, lectures on the Japanese language, culture, history, and society, were delivered by scholars and experts in each field.

##### Lecture topics

- Japanese Life and Society
- Japanese Language and others



#### Group Work

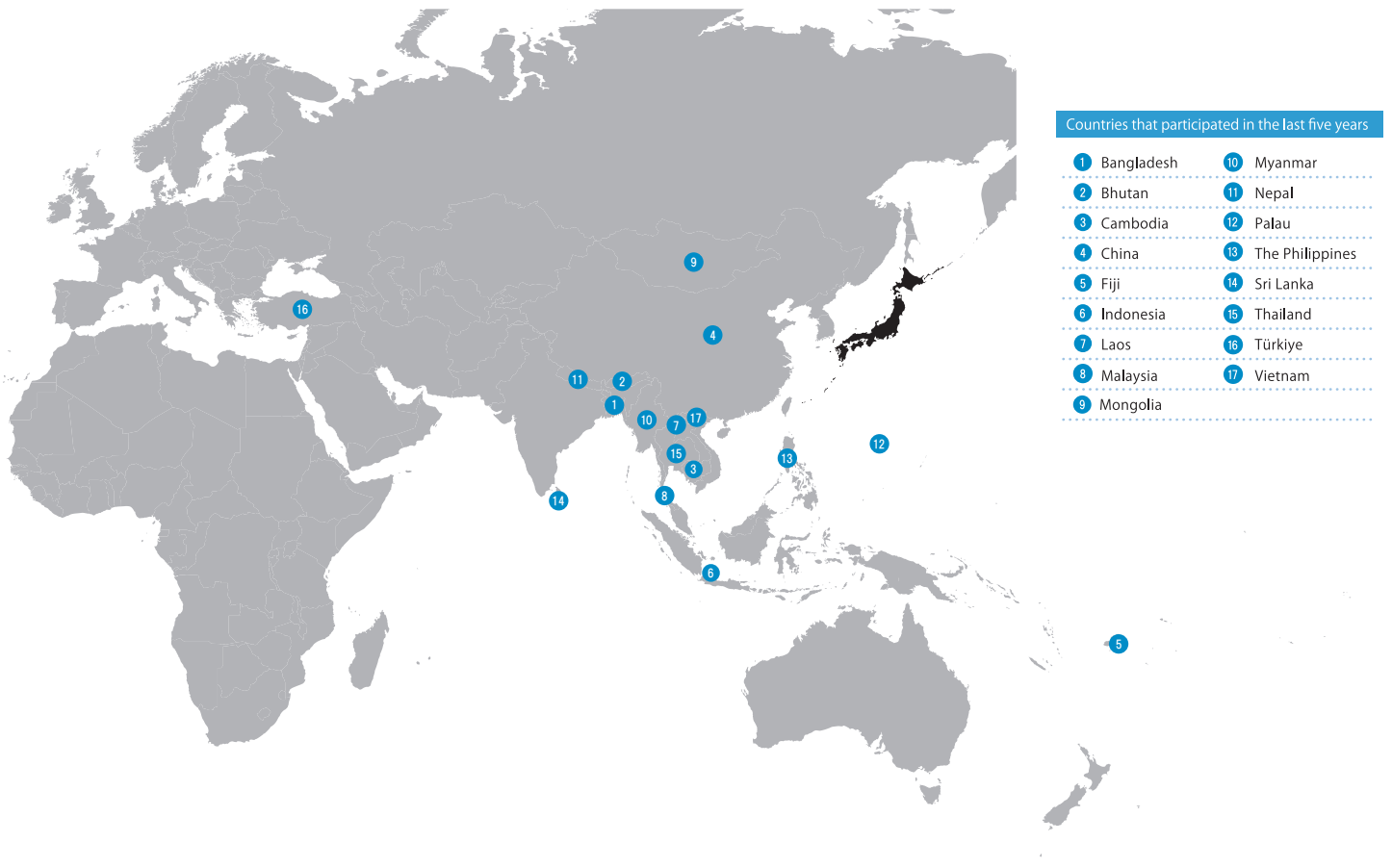
The participants formed several groups according to the topics they chose in light of their respective national policy issues. Each group identified common issues among members, discussed policy recommendations for their own countries under the guidance of a scholar or expert, and presented their group policy papers as the outcome.

## Field Trips

The participants visited major relevant institutions around Tokyo and the Kansai Region to understand Japan's economic and social circumstances.

Places visited

■ National Diet ■ Bank of Japan ■ Japan Mint and others

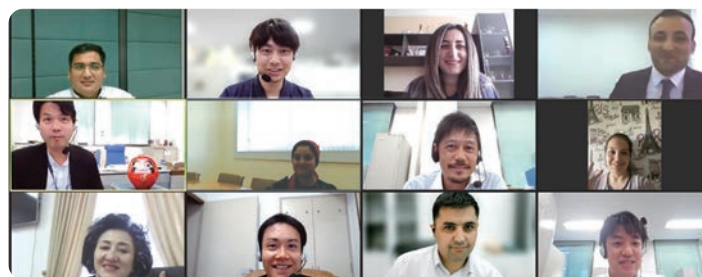


## Seminar for Central Asian and Caucasian Countries

As part of Japan's intellectual support for countries with transitional economies, this seminar aims to contribute to human resource development in Central Asian and Caucasian countries. Accepting promising young officials from their ministries of finance, tax authorities, and so on, we provide them with knowledge and experiences regarding Japanese public finance and its economy. The seminar is also expected to contribute to the development of a network among fiscal authorities.

This seminar was developed from the Summer Seminar for the students of the Banking and Finance Academy of the Republic of Uzbekistan (BFA), which was held every year from FY1997 to FY2005. It has been held, basically, every year since FY2006.

\* The Seminar for Central Asian and Caucasian Countries in 2021 and 2022 were organized online due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The August 2023 seminar was held in person in Tokyo.



### The 25th Seminar for Central Asian and Caucasian Countries 2022

Dates: September 26 to 30, 2022

Number of participants: 9 Method: Online

#### Policy Lectures

In order to pass on Japan's policies and experiences in economic activities across a wide range of fields, such as the economy, tax policy and finances to the participants, lectures were delivered by scholars and experts.

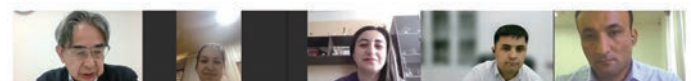
Lecture topics

- The Japanese Economy: An Overview
- Public Expenditure Management: Japan's Experience and International Comparison
- Recent Developments of Japan's International Taxation
- Japan's Monetary and Fiscal Policy
- The COVID-19 Crisis, the Russia-Ukraine War, and Economic Challenges for Central Asia and the Caucasus

#### Brief Presentation

The participants introduced themselves and his/her country's economic situation.

#### ■ Central Asian and Caucasian Countries



#### Unemployment Rate (%)

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Japan	2.8	2.4	2.4	2.8	2.8
United States	4.4	3.9	3.7	8.1	5.4
Euro area	9.1	8.3	7.6	8.0	7.7
China	3.9	3.8	3.6	4.2	4.0

Source: IMF World Economic Outlook Database (April 2022)

# Support for Banking and Finance Academy of the Republic of Uzbekistan

Intellectual Support

Upon request by the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan, the PRI has been providing the Banking and Finance Academy (BFA) with various forms of assistance since the BFA's establishment in 1996, as a part of intellectual support for human resource development in Uzbekistan. This has included accepting BFA students for seminars held in Japan, as well as dispatching the Honorable First Vice-Rector of the BFA (part-time).

## 1. Support in Japan

The PRI accepted five students to the 25th Seminar for Central Asian and Caucasian Countries 2022.

\* Seminars in 2021 and 2022 were organized online due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## 2. Support in Uzbekistan

Dates: February 13 to 17, 2023 Venue: Uzbekistan(Tashkent)

Mr. Ono, the Executive Vice President of PRI and the Honorable First Vice-Rector of the BFA, was dispatched to Uzbekistan to visit the BFA, high-ranking government officials, and others to exchange views on the further development of cooperation with them for the first time in three years and eight months.



# Support for SME Finance in ASEAN countries

Intellectual Support

The PRI has conducted a technical cooperation project on SME Finance for Vietnam, Malaysia, Laos, and Myanmar, and are currently providing the same assistance to Cambodia, in conjunction with the Japan Finance Corporation (JFC). We support SME Finance, which is tailored to their needs, and conduct follow-up activities through exchanges of views to understand the current situation of SMEs in each country and to maintain the accumulated know-how and network.

## Seminar on Support for the Development of SME Finance in Cambodia

Dates: June 20 to 21, 2023 Venue: Cambodia (Phnom Penh)

In order to support SME finance in Cambodia, the PRI, in conjunction with the JFC, conducted a seminar for the SME Bank of Cambodia on loan screening and debt management.





# Research Exchange

## Research exchange with think-tanks in China

## Research Exchange

The PRI has been promoting research exchange with leading think-tanks in China, including the Chinese Academy of Fiscal Sciences (CAFS), the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), the Development Research Center of the State Council (DRC) and the China Center for International Economic Exchanges (CCIEE).



### 1. The 6th PRI-CAFS, Japan-China Think Tank Forum on Finance Policy

Date: June 8, 2023 Venue: Japan (Tokyo)

We held the joint seminar "Japan-China Think Tank Forum on Finance Policy" with CAFS, which is under the Ministry of Finance, China.

The theme was "Policy Responses towards a Sustainable Society."

### 2. Meeting with Leading Research Institutes in China

Date: June 14-17, 2023 Venue: China (Beijing)

The PRI visited National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC), CCIEE and CAFS to discuss China's economic situation.

### 3. Meeting with the DRC

Date: May 22, 2023 Method: Online

The PRI has conducted joint research about "Macroeconomic Consequences of Demographic Transition and Countermeasures" with DRC since April 2018.

In May 2023, the PRI and DRC held an online meeting and exchanged views on the economic situation and issues in both economies. The two parties also agreed to continue research exchanges by inviting each other to meetings to be organized by the PRI and DRC.



## Trilateral Workshop of PRI-CASS-KIEP

## Research Exchange

The PRI has been holding the Trilateral Workshop with the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS) and the Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP) in order to study Asia's common economic and fiscal issues.

### The 15th Trilateral Workshop

Date: November 17, 2022 Method: Online

- Session 1 Multilateral Trade Agreements
- Session 2 Fiscal Situation of each country



## China Workshop

## Research Exchange

The China Workshop, established in 1993, aims to survey and research China's political/economic situations, fiscal and monetary policy, etc.

### China Workshop

October 13, 2022 (28th term/year • first workshop)

- China's economy reaches a turning point in the chaotic Japan-U.S.-China relationship
- The impact of China-ASEAN (2022 Special Edition)

December 23, 2022 (28th term/year • second workshop)

- The 20th National Congress of the Chinese Communist Party and macroeconomic management in the near term
- Evaluation of the 20th National Congress of the Chinese Communist Party and prospects for the third term of the Xi Jinping administration

March 23, 2023 (28th term/year • third workshop)

- Development strategy of China's digital economy and the light and shadow of Chinese innovation
- China's agricultural policy, rural policy and food security



## Research exchange with think-tanks in India

## Research Exchange

The PRI has been promoting research exchange with leading think-tanks in India, including the Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations (ICRIER) and the National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER).

### PRI-ICRIER Workshop

Date: March 17, 2023 Method: Online

The PRI held the PRI-ICRIER Workshop as a joint event with the Indian workshop held by the PRI. Dr. Mishra, Director & Chief Executive, and other distinguished speakers from ICRIER gave presentations on the "Outlook for Indian Economy" and "India-Japan Trade & FDI".



## India Workshop

## Research Exchange

The India Workshop, established in 2011, aims to deepen understanding about India's economy and policies, etc.

### India Workshop

December 7, 2022 (12th term/year • first workshop)

- Electricity Reform in India: Current Status and Challenges
- India-Japan bilateral economic relation on 70th anniversary of diplomatic relations

March 17, 2023 (12th term/year • second workshop)

- Outlook for Indian Economy
- India-Japan Trade & FDI

April 27, 2023 (12th term/year • third workshop)

- India's External Relations 2022-2023 Focusing on the "Global South"
- Digital India – Finance as a concrete example –



## Research exchanges with research institutions under the Ministry of Finance in ASEAN countries

Research Exchange

The PRI has been conducting research exchange activities with research institutions under the Ministry of Finance in ASEAN countries.

### Renewal of Memorandum of Intent with National Institute for Finance (NIF), Ministry of Finance, Vietnam

On June 10, 2022, the PRI renewed the Memorandum of Intent (MOI) signed initially with NIF in 2010. The PRI invited Dr. Nguyen, the president of the NIF, to the international conference held by the PRI and held a meeting with the delegation from the NIF to exchange views. We are making a close relationship with the NIF based on the MOI.



### International Conferences and Symposia

As part of its research and study activities, the RAD holds symposia and conferences usually once or twice a year in order to exchange views with Japanese scholars and economists as well as those from overseas.

Since FY2015, the RAD has been organizing an international conference ("Tokyo Fiscal Forum") in partnership with the IMF and ADBI. The Eighth Tokyo Fiscal Forum (Building Resilience and Reshaping Fiscal Policy in Asia and the Pacific Region) was held in June 2023.



## ASEAN Workshop

Research Exchange

The ASEAN Workshop, established in 2016, aims to deepen understanding of ASEAN economies and policies, etc.

### ASEAN Workshop

November 8, 2022 (seventh term/year • first workshop)

- Macroeconomic risks in ASEAN from the situation in Ukraine and capital flows from emerging economies
- Changes in the supply chain surrounding ASEAN
- Financial Inclusion and Financial Digitalization in ASEAN

February 28, 2023 (seventh term/year • second workshop)

- Trends and Highlights of Green Finance in ASEAN
- Asian Megacities and the Informal Economy: The Case of Thailand

May 17, 2023 (seventh term/year • third workshop)

- Industrial Trends in Recent Direct Investment in ASEAN
- Financial and Trade Digitalization in ASEAN



# Research Exchanges

## Visiting Scholar Program

## Research Exchange

The Visiting Scholar Program invites government officials and researchers of any nationality to commission studies on specific themes.

The PRI invites researchers from developed countries with specialized knowledge of the current economic conditions in developing countries, or those from developing countries who wish to study Japanese fiscal and economic policies.

Also, the PRI invites officials from ministries of finance and central banks in developing countries, or those from developed countries with specialized knowledge of the current economic conditions of developing countries. The visiting scholars are required to submit a research paper and give a presentation at a workshop. Their research papers have been utilized as important resources for PRI projects.

### Recent Visiting Scholars (From April 2017 to March 2019)

\*This program was temporarily suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic from FY2020 to FY2022. Acceptance resumes in FY2023.

Swe Zin Maw

Deputy Director, Budget Department, Ministry of Planning, Finance and Industry, Myanmar

**Theme:** How Can Myanmar Enhance Its Aggregate Fiscal Discipline from Medium Term to Long Term?

Sivay Vilaihan

Director, Fiscal Policy and Law Department, Ministry of Finance, Lao PDR

**Theme:** Improving Domestic Revenue Mobilization in Lao PDR

Shamshad Ahmad Khan

Assistant Professor, Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi University

**Theme:** India-Japan Economic Partnership: Potentials, Promises and Prospects

Nguyen Thi Thuy

Researcher, Public Finance Policy Division, National Institute for Finance, Ministry of Finance, Vietnam

**Theme:** Fiscal Sustainability in Some ASEAN Countries: Evidence from a Panel Data Analysis

Vilyna Sisa-Ad

Deputy Director, Revenue and Expenditure Policy Division, Fiscal Policy and Law Department, Ministry of Finance

**Theme:** Improving the efficiency of government expenditure in Lao PDR

San Thida

Deputy Director, Budget Department, Ministry of Finance, Myanmar

**Theme:** How to Strengthen PFM System in Myanmar

Duangchay Keomixay

Deputy Director, Fiscal Policy Department, Ministry of Finance, Lao PDR

**Theme:** Value Added Tax in Lao PDR: Agenda for the Future

Dilshod Nurillokhonovich Murodov

Lecturer (Head Teacher), Banking and Finance Academy, Republic of Uzbekistan

**Theme:** Output Growth Volatility and Inflation Uncertainty: Empirical Evidence from East Asian Economies

Spanun Chumjai

Economist, Fiscal Policy Office, Ministry of Finance, Thailand

**Theme:** Fiscal Policy for a Sustainable Healthcare and Pension System in Thailand under an Aging Population: Case Study from Japan

# The PRI's Recent International Cooperation Activities

This table summarizes our international cooperation activities in recent years, including those mentioned on previous pages.

2022/4 – 2023/6

Date(s)	Activity	Countries
2022.5.13	China Workshop	China
5.19	ASEAN Workshop	ASEAN
5.23-6.1	The 30th Seminar on Economic Policies 2022	Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Fiji, Thailand, Vietnam
6.2	The 5th PRI-CAFS, Japan-China Think Tank Forum on Finance Policy	China
6.9	PRI-IMF-OAP Joint Seminar	Japan
6.10	Renewal of Memorandum of Intent with National Institute for Finance (NIF), Ministry of Finance, Vietnam	Vietnam
6.13	India Workshop	India
8.8-9	The 1st PRI-Ministry of Economy and Finance-BFA Joint Seminar	Uzbekistan
9.26-30	The 25th Seminar for Central Asian and Caucasian Countries 2022	Georgia, Kyrgyz, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan
10.13	China Workshop	China
11.8	ASEAN Workshop	ASEAN
11.17	The 15th Trilateral Workshop	China, Korea
12.7	India Workshop	India
12.23	China Workshop	China
2023.2.14-15	The 2nd PRI-Ministry of Economy and Finance-BFA Joint Seminar	Uzbekistan
2.28	ASEAN Workshop	ASEAN
3.17	PRI-ICRIER Workshop	India
3.23	China Workshop	China
5.17	ASEAN Workshop	ASEAN
5.18-6.9	The 31st Seminar on Economic Policies 2023	Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, Palau, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam
5.22	Research exchange with DRC	China
6.8	The 6th PRI-CAFS, Japan-China Think Tank Forum on Finance Policy	China
6.14-17	Meeting with Leading Research Institutes in China	China
6.20-21	The 1st Seminar on Support for Development of SME Finance in Cambodia	Cambodia

# Other Intellectual Support provided by Ministry of Finance

## MOF: International Bureau

### Intellectual Support

The International Bureau has been carrying out technical cooperation activities for the development of the local currency bond markets in Asia for mainly the CLMV countries (Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, and Vietnam) via Japanese consulting companies based on the request from the recipient countries, through the Japan-ASEAN Financial Technical Assistance Fund in the ASEAN Secretariat, to which Japan has contributed.

With the purpose of developing financial and legal systems for the development of the bond market in each country, to date, Japan has provided assistance to the officials of the Ministry of Finance and the Central Bank, etc. of each country with regard to the development of a roadmap for the issuance system of long-term government bonds and the draft regulations on government or corporate bond trading, etc.

## MOF: Customs and Tariff Bureau

### Intellectual Support

Japan Customs organizes and implements the Capacity Building Program in conformity with the needs of Customs administrations of developing countries, in cooperation with the World Customs Organization (WCO), the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), and other agencies. The Program includes the acceptance of customs officers from developing countries and the dispatch of experts of Japan Customs, some of whom are Accredited Customs Experts of the WCO.

To improve the capacity of customs in developing countries, these efforts contribute to the facilitation of international trade, and the implementation of appropriate customs procedures as well as the strengthening of the relationship between Japan and developing countries.

#### Main recent activities

September 2021 to June 2024

JICA/WCO Joint Project Master Trainer Program for the Pacific Islands

March 2023

JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program on Customs Administration (A)

February 2023

Workshop on Authorized Economic Operator for the Cambodia Customs

## National Tax Agency

### Intellectual Support

The National Tax Agency (NTA) has been providing training courses as technical cooperation for the tax officials of developing countries under the framework of Japan's Official Development Assistance. The aims of the training are to improve the tax administration of developing countries and to foster foreign tax officials who understand Japan's tax administration.

The NTA has also played a core role in the operation of the "OECD Asia-Pacific Academy for Tax and Financial Crime Investigation." The purposes of the academy are to promote international cooperation and to strengthen investigators' capacity for international tax and financial crimes. The first program was held in May 2019 at the Wako Campus of the National Tax College.

#### Main recent activities

November 2022 to June 2023

Practicum at the NTA

September 2022

International Seminar on Taxation (General)

May and November 2022

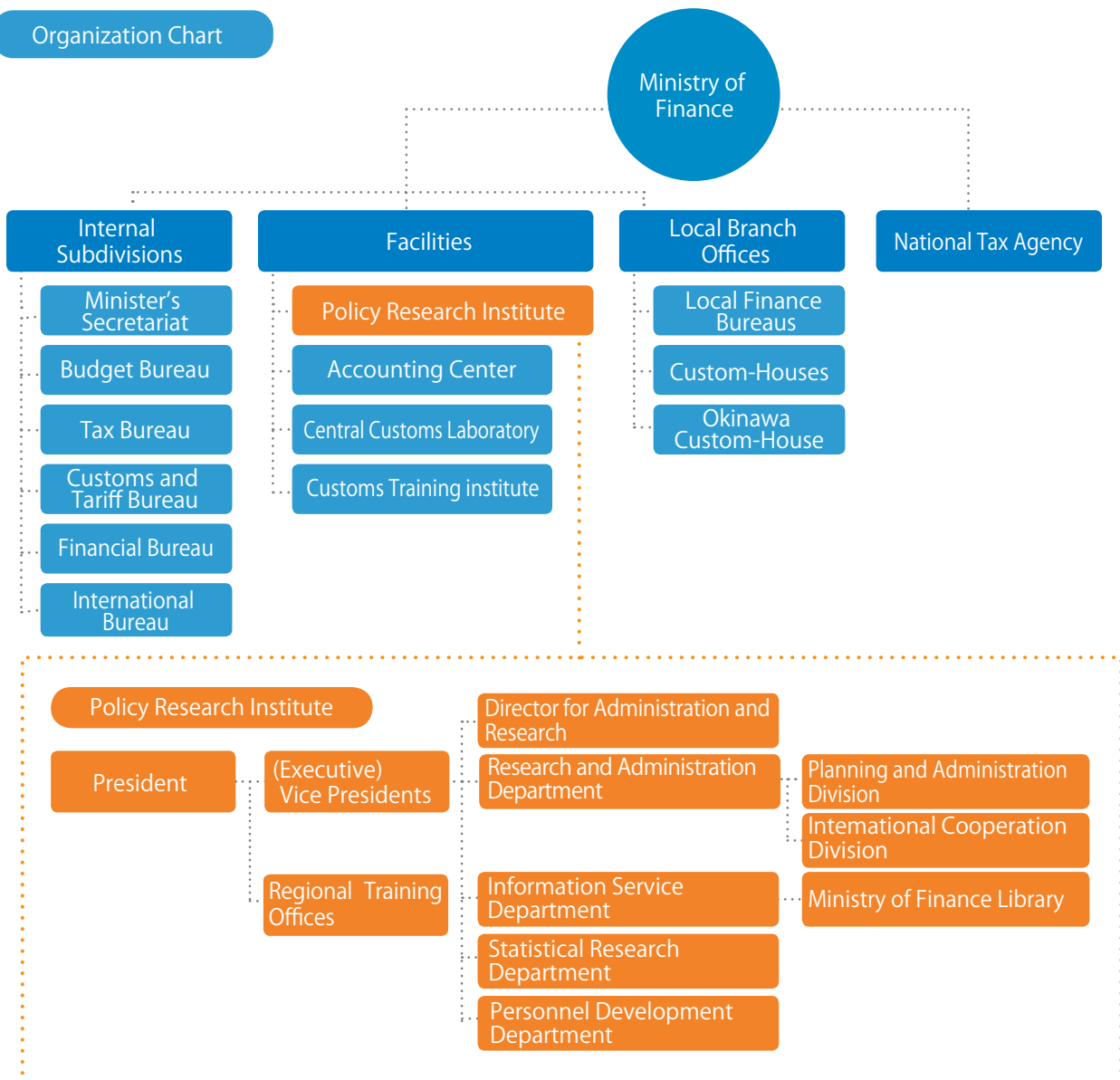
OECD Asia-Pacific Academy for Tax and Financial Crime Investigation

# Outline of the Policy Research Institute

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Policy Research Institute  
Ministry of Finance

## Organization Chart



## History of Policy Research Institute

## History

- July 1979 : Office of Fiscal and Monetary Policy was established within Research and Planning Division of the Minister's Secretariat.
- May 1985 : Institute of Fiscal and Monetary Policy (IFMP) was established.
- July 1990 : Statistical Research Department was established within IFMP.
- July 1992 : Office of International Research and Cooperation was established within Research Department.
- July 2000 : IFMP was reorganized as Policy Research Institute.
- May 2015 : Policy Research Institute implemented an organization restructure.
  - Research and Administration Department was established.
  - The name was changed from Office of International Research and Cooperation to International Cooperation Division.



# Research and Studies (Research and Administration Department: RAD)

The RAD is engaged in fundamental and comprehensive research and studies on domestic and international issues in fiscal and economic fields, including policy matters under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Finance.

## (1) Research and Studies from a Medium to Long Term Perspective

With regard to various fiscal and economic issues, the RAD conducts fundamental research and studies from a medium- to long-term perspective and holds research conferences or workshops.

In particular, the RAD not only develops economic models for medium- to long-term economic and fiscal forecasts and policy analysis, but also engages in the establishment and improvement of analytical methods for fiscal sustainability making use of such models.

In FY2022, the RAD held research conferences on “Productivity, Income and Value Added.”



## (2) Research and Studies in Collaboration with the Internal Subdivisions of the MOF

The RAD conducts research and studies in collaboration with the internal subdivisions of the MOF. For example, the RAD has conducted research on social security and local finance systems.

## (3) Lunch Meetings

The RAD holds lunch meetings for MOF officials during lunch breaks, inviting experts or knowledgeable people in various fields from within and outside MOF as lecturers, in order to provide such officials with opportunities to obtain useful information for their future study or work (during FY2022, 37 lunch meetings were held).

Themes of lunch meetings vary, including fiscal, financial, and international economic issues. These meetings are good opportunities for MOF officials to obtain high-level expertise as well as broaden their views.



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## (4) Editing and Issuance of Academic Journals and Other Publications

The academic journal Financial Review has been edited and published four times a year since its founding in 1986, and the current issue is No. 151. We also publish the English journal Public Policy Review. In FY2022, we published Analysis of Government Debt and Debt Management in Japan (Vol.18 No.1), The Role of Fiscal Investment and Loan Program in Macroeconomy and Social Capital Development (Vol.18 No.2), and The Reality of Over- and Under-Provision of Health Care in Japan: Financial Impacts (Vol.19 No.1).

Additionally, the results of research and studies have also been made publicly available as discussion papers, which have been issued since 1998, with the current paper being No. 368. Since 2020, we have also published research papers (currently reaching No.12) and staff reports (No.26).



# Compilation of the History of Fiscal Policies in Japan, and Management of the Library, etc. (Information Service Department: ISD)

The ISD is responsible for collecting, maintaining, compiling and providing materials, information and books regarding policies under the jurisdiction of the MOF, including the compilation of the History of Fiscal Policies in Japan (HFPJ), the publication of a statistical data book and management of the Ministry of Finance Library.



## (1) Compilation of the HFPJ

### Series on the History of Fiscal Policies in Japan

The ISD compiles and publishes the HFPJ, which covers activities of the MOF by policy field as well as by period. So far, "HFPJ during the Meiji Era (1868-1902)" to "HFPJ during the early period of the Heisei Era: From FY1989 to FY2000," have been published. Currently, the ISD is editing "HFPJ during the late Heisei Era: From FY2001 to FY2019," which is the 8th volume in the series.



## (2) Publication of Statistical Information, etc.

### Compilation and Publication of Ministry of Finance Statistics Monthly

The ISD edits and publishes the Ministry of Finance Statistics Monthly, which consists of a statistical data book mainly containing the MOF's business statistics, with additional comments as appropriate (it has been issued since 1949 and is on its 850th issue as of March 2023).



## (3) Ministry of Finance Library

The Ministry of Finance Library houses approximately 170 thousand books, primarily concerning the fields of fiscal and economic affairs, for the use of MOF officials and so on for their jobs as well as for their individual research and study.

Also, the Ministry of Finance Library, being a branch of the National Diet Library (NDL), supplies books to the NDL and works as a contact for the mutual use of books between ministries and agencies.



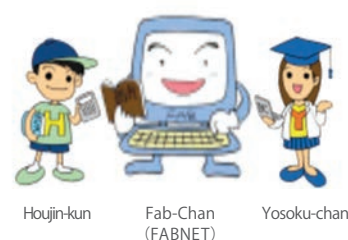
# Implementation of Statistical Research (Statistical Research Department : SRD)



## Implementation of Statistical Research

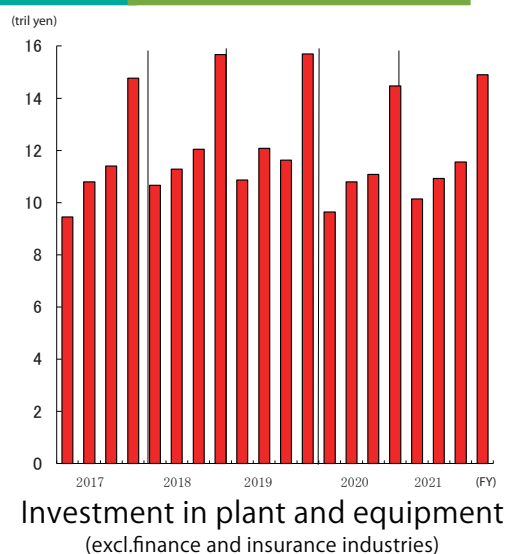
The SRD implements Financial Statements Statistics of Corporations by industry, which aims to assess the current status of business activities of profit-making corporations that have their headquarters in Japan on the basis of their financial statements, and the Business Outlook Survey, which aims to keep track of business leaders' assessments of and forecasts for the economy through Local Finance Bureaus and other means. The collection of questionnaires can be done online.

The results of the statistical research are used as basic data for the Preliminary Quarterly Estimates of GDP, the Monthly Economic Report, and other publications. They are also widely used by private economists for their economic analyses.



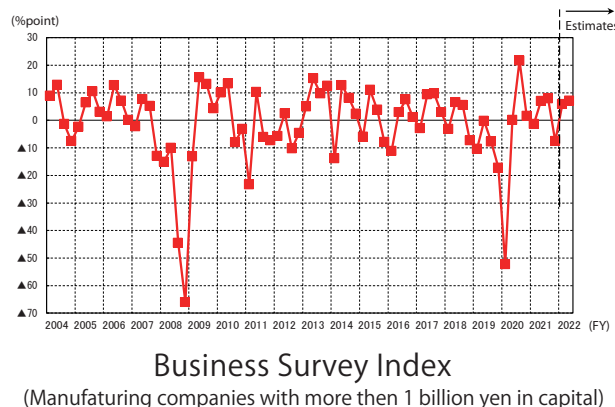
### (1) Implementation of Financial Statements Statistics of Corporations by Industry.

- Survey items include corporations' assets, liabilities, sales, profit and loss, etc.
- The survey covers profit-making corporations with capital of JPY10 million or more. Approximately, 32,000 of those corporations are sampled and surveyed, and results obtained are then published quarterly (in addition to this, annual statistics are published in September every year, which survey about 38,000 corporations sampled from all profit-making corporations).
- The results are used as basic data for publications such as the 2nd Preliminary Quarterly Estimates of GDP (Private Non-Residential Investment, Change in Private Inventories, etc.) and the Monthly Economic Report.



### (2) Implementation of the Business Outlook Survey

- Survey items include qualitative items including business conditions and levels of employment and capacity, as well as quantitative items such as actual and estimated ordinary profits, plant and equipment investment, and others.
- The survey covers corporations with a capital of JPY10 million (JPY100 million for corporations in electricity, gas, and water supply industries as well as finance and insurance industries) or more. Approximately 14,400 of these corporations are sampled and surveyed, and the results obtained are then published quarterly.
- The results are used as basic data for the Monthly Economic Report and other publications.



# Training (Personnel Development Department: PDD)

The PDD assists in improving the administration of the MOF and Local Finance Bureaus through a substantial staff training system.



## Comprehensive training institute for MOF officials

The PDD is responsible for training officials of the head office of the MOF and Local Finance Bureaus in skills necessary for the administration of finance. As a comprehensive training institute for MOF officials, the PDD conducts training for all staff according to their level, except for Customs and the National Tax Agency.

Given changing internal and external trends, the PDD is endeavoring to strengthen its training functions and content in order to equip officials with a broad education and common sense, as well as to maintain and improve officials' capacity to perform their duties.

The training consists of Central Training Courses, which are implemented by the PDD, Local Training Courses, which are conducted by Local Finance Bureaus, and Correspondence Training Courses, which are self-study. These three types of training have been systematically combined into the overall training system to suit the career paths of officials.

### Main Central Training Courses

#### Basic Training for Officials

This training is for officials newly employed by the main departments of the MOF or Local Finance Bureaus. Participants are equipped with technical and practical capabilities and skills specific to their assignments, as well as basic knowledge and education as MOF officials, with business practice, law, and theory relevant to their duties.



#### Practical Training Courses

These courses aim to equip officials with technical and practical knowledge and theory necessary for their work, and cover almost all the work of Local Finance Bureaus including economic survey work, budgetary work, and national property management.



#### Special Theoretical Training

"Advanced Theoretical Training," "Selected Training for Future Core Personnel" and "International Financial Theoretical Training to respond to Globalization" are courses targeting Section Chief level officials selected from applicants to equip them with high-level expertise and theory.

#### Seminar for Executive Officials

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