

# *Micro Data Laboratory News Bulletin*

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## *The Third International Workshop*

The Third International Workshop of the Micro Data Laboratory Project was held at UNITY (a common use facility of the universities in Kobe Academic Town), Kobe City, Hyogo Prefecture, Japan on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of September 2011.

### *<September 15>*

Following Mr. A. Ito's opening remarks and self-introductions of 18 Participants, presentations were made on statistical activities and use of micro data in the participating countries by the delegates Malaysia, Mongolia, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Japan.



Group photo in front of UNITY

<September 16>

1) Keynote speech was delivered by Prof. Y. Matsuda on the Micro Data Laboratory for Official Statistics: its purpose, system and usability.

2) Results of the analyses using micro data of Malaysia, Mongolia and Thailand were presented by Ms. M. Murata, Ms. D. Oyunchimeg and Prof. Y. Matsuda respectively. Titles and researchers of the presentations are as follows:

Presentation title	Income and Expenditure in Malaysia Based on Micro Data Sets of Malaysia Household Expenditure Survey, 2004-2005
Researchers	Ms. M. Murata (Sinfonica) : Presenter Mr. K. Yoshino (Sinfonica) : Co-researcher
Presentation title	Poverty and Inequality in Mongolia Based on Micro Data Sets of Mongolia Household Socio-Economic Survey, 2007-2008
Researcher	Ms. D. Oyunchimeg (NSO, Mongolia) *
Presentation title	Urban and Rural Disparity of Income and Expenditure in Thailand Based on Micro Data Sets of Thailand Household Socio-Economic Survey, 2007
Researchers	Prof. Y. Matsuda (Aomori Public College) : Presenter Ms. K. Yonezawa (Sinfonica) : Co-researcher Ms. H. Yasui (Sinfonica) : Co-researcher Ms. Y. Arai (Sinfonica) : Co-researcher

\* Analysis was not made by Project members due to human resource and time constraints and postponed until the next workshop. Instead, Ms. Oyunchimeg kindly presented some of the analytical results she and her colleagues had made at NSO, Mongolia.



Ms. Mariko Murata



Ms. Dandar Oyunchimeg



Prof. Yoshiro Matsuda

**<Participants and Collaborators >**

The International Workshop was attended by 18 participants and collaborators including the following delegates from national statistical offices:

Name	Affiliation & Status
Mr. Kamarudin Muhamed	Senior Director, Prices, Income and Expenditure Statistics Division, Department of Statistics, Malaysia
Ms. Dandar Oyunchimeg	Director, Population and Social Statistics Department of the NSO, Mongolia
Mr. L.J.S.De Silva Wijeyeratne	Deputy Director, Department of Census and Statistics, Sri Lanka
Ms. Sanonoi Buracharoen	Statistician, Social Statistics Bureau, National Statistical Office of Thailand
Mr. Hiroyuki Kitada	Deputy Director-General, National Statistics Center of Japan



Mr. Kamarudin Muhamed



Ms. Dandar Oyunchimeg



Mr. L.J.S.De Silva Wijeyeratne



Ms. Sanonoi Buracharoen



Mr. Hiroyuki Kitada



Mr. Akihiko Ito

Time was very much limited to our regret, but we hope participants enjoyed academic stimuli and exchange of information on official statistics especially on the use of micro data during the sessions, coffee break and dinner party talks, and sight seeing around Kobe although by no means enough.





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Kobe Marine Tower



Anchor : Symbol of Kobe Port  
(Night view from Tower)

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