

Micro Data Laboratory News Bulletin

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The Fourth International Workshop

The *International Workshop* was held at the First Campus of Tokyo International University (TIU) from 14 through 16 December 2012.

It was conducted jointly together with the *International Conference* of a research project: “Empirical Analysis of Economic Development” headed by Prof. Atsushi Maki at Faculty of Economics, TIU. This joint hosting was proposed and realized as Prof. Maki had been one of leading research members of our project: “An Experimental Laboratory for Research Purpose Statistical Use of Micro Data (ELMD)”.



Group Photo of International Workshop and International Conference

1. Research Papers

The number of research papers presented in this joint research meeting was 25 in total, out of which the following five papers were presented by our research project members in the framework of our International Workshop.

Title	<i>Characteristics of Indonesian Households Categorized by Expenditure Level in the Early 2000s</i>
Researchers	Dr. Nao Endo (Kochi University Assistant Professor, Faculty of Education)* Ms. Akiko Nasuda (Graduate Student, Hitotsubashi University) Dr. Anang Laksono (Statistics Indonesia; former Graduate Student, TIU) Dr. Setsuo Suoh (Visiting Senior Research Fellow of Sinfonica)
Title	<i>Area Disparity of Income and Expenditure in Sri Lanka Based on Micro Data Sets of Household Income and Expenditure Survey of 2006/07</i>
Researchers	Dr. Yasumasa Baba (Professor Emeritus, The Institute of Statistical Mathematics) * Ms. Kaori Yonezawa (Principal Researcher, Sinfonica) Ms. Hiroko Yasui (Researcher, Sinfonica) Ms. Yuko Arai (Researcher, Sinfonica)
Title	<i>Comparison between Bangladesh HIES and Japanese Statistics : Population Pyramid and Sex Ratio</i>
Researcher	Dr. Mikio Suga (Professor, Faculty of Economics, Hosei University) *
Title	<i>Effects of In-kind Consumption on Inequality and Poverty : The Case of Vietnam</i>
Researcher	Dr. Atsushi Maki (Professor, Faculty of Economics, TIU) *
Title	<i>Analysis on Mongolian Household Structure using micro data of HSES 2007/08</i>
Researcher	Mr. Hiroshige Furuta (Visiting Senior Research Fellow, Sinfonica) *

* denotes the presenter.

2. List of Participants from National Statistical Offices

The joint hosting with the International Conference enabled us to invite one statistician from each of all the national statistical offices that provided our research project with micro data. However, a statistician from Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics had to cancel his visit due to inevitable reasons.

The participants provided filled-in questionnaires on the practice of the use of micro data in respective countries; listened to interested presentations; and made comments as designated discussants on certain presentations.

Country	Name	Affiliation and Status
Cambodia	Mr. Yip Thavrin	Deputy Director, Department of Information and Communication Technology
Indonesia	Mr. Wynandin Imawan	Deputy Chief Statistician
Laos	Mr. Kingphet Atsanavong	Director of Information Technology Division
Malaysia	Ms. Sayeeda Kamaruddin	Assistant Director, Methodology & Research Division
Mongolia	Ms. M. Oyuntsetseg	Senior Officer, Population and Social Statistics Department
Nepal	Mr. Shanker Lal Shrestha	Director, Trade Statistics Section
Sri Lanka	Ms. Y.G.R. Ishanthi Kulathilaka	Senior Statistician
Thailand	Ms. Chalermkwun Chiemprachanakorn	Director, Statistical Forecasting Bureau
Vietnam	Ms. Lo Thi Duc	Senior Statistician, Social and Environmental Statistics Department

Seminar for Top Statisticians Who Came to the 13th EASC

We organized a seminar on the use of micro data on the 4th of November for top statisticians who came to the 13th East Asian Statistical Conference (EASC) hosted by the Statistics Bureau of Japan from 5 through 7 November 2012.

We requested the top statisticians to arrive at Tokyo one day earlier, and held “Seminar for Top Statisticians on Experimental Laboratory for Research Purpose Statistical Use of Micro Data of Official Statistics (ELMD)” at Shinjuku NS Bldg. on EASC eve.



Group Photo of the Seminar for Top Statisticians on EASC Eve

1. Guests from Foreign National Statistical Offices

Country	Name	Affiliation and Status
Cambodia	Mr. San Sy Than	Director General, NIS
China	Mr. Feng Nailin	Director-General, Department of Population and Employment Statistics, NSO
China	Ms. Liu, Yuqin	Director of Division of General Affairs, NSO
Indonesia	Mr. Dudy Saefdin Sulaiman	Deputy Chief Statistician for Methodology and Statistical Information, BPS
Laos	Dr. Samaychanh Bouppha	Vice Minister, Head of Laos Statistics Bureau
Malaysia	Dr. Abdul Rahman Hasan	Chief Statistician, Department of Statistics
Mongolia	Dr. Ganbaatar Gerelt-od	Senior Vice Chairman, NSO
Mongolia	Ms. Davaasuren Chultemjamts	Adviser, NSO; Former Director, UNSIAP
Myanmar	Ms. Marlar Aung	Director, Department of Statistics/Ministry of Trade & Industry, NSO
Thailand	Ms. Rajana Netsaengtip	Deputy Director-General, NSO
Vietnam	Dr. Do Thuc	Director General, GSO
Vietnam	Ms. Nguyen Ngoc Van	Director, Department of Integrated Statistics, GSO
Vietnam	Mr. Nguyen Thi Tuan Anh	Deputy Director, Department of Population and Labour Statistics, GSO
Vietnam	Ms. Hoang Thi Kim Chi	Statistician, Department of Foreign Statistics and International Cooperation, GSO
Vietnam	Ms. Nghiem Thi Van	Graduate Student, TIU

2. Papers Presented in the Seminar

Title	<i>Our Laboratory: its Past and Now</i>
Researcher	Mr. Yoshiro Matsuda (Visiting Senior Research Fellow of Sinfonica)
Title	<i>Experimental Trial Course at UNSIAP in 2011-2012</i>
Researcher	Mr. Hiroshige Furuta (Visiting Senior Research Fellow of Sinfonica)
Title	<i>Case Study of Indonesian Household Composition and Ethnic Differences : Results from Micro Data Analysis on SUSENAS 2000</i>
Researcher	Mr. Setsuo Suoh (Visiting Senior Research Fellow of Sinfonica)
Title	<i>Workability of Resampling Data</i>
Researcher	Mr. Yasumasa Baba (Visiting Senior Research Fellow of Sinfonica)

Announcement of a Seminar in December 2013

Based on the Charter of an Experimental Laboratory for Research Purpose Statistical Use of Micro Data (ELMD), we are now resampling official micro data provided to ELMD by Member NSOs.

A seminar is being planned using such resampled micro data as under:

Venue: The Institute of Statistical Mathematics, Tachikawa, Tokyo

Date: 11 -18 December 2013

We plan to continue to hold such seminars once every year; invite statisticians from Member NSOs by rotation; ask them to clarify questions about the micro data they provided and to examine above mentioned re-sampled data of ELMD; and acquire new micro data for ELMD.

This year's invitees will be Indonesia, Laos and Thailand. However, Member NSOs can dispatch statisticians to this seminar on their own expense.

Further notice on this matter will be issued from time to time by e-mail etc.



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