

APPENDIX 4

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

THE JOINT JAPAN/ WORLD BANK GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The goal of the Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program (JJ/WBGSP), funded wholly by the government of Japan, is to help create a community of highly qualified professionals in the field of economic and social development in developing countries. In 21 years, the program has processed more than 56,000 applications and awarded 4,001 scholarships to mid-career professionals from developing countries to pursue graduate studies leading to master's degrees in development-related fields.

THE REGULAR PROGRAM

For the 2008/2009 academic year, 205 Regular Program scholars representing 119 countries were selected from 2,287 applicants. Of the new scholars:

- Forty-three percent are female.
- Twenty-nine percent have humble backgrounds (parents with no more than high school education).
- Forty-five percent are from Africa.
- Seventy-five percent work in the public sector (central government, nongovernmental organizations, regional or international organizations).
- The major fields of study are public policy and international development (29 percent); economics (32 percent); and the environment (11 percent).

THE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

The JJ/WBGSP supports 11 partnership programs leading to master's degrees from universities in Africa, Japan, and the United States that offer specialized

training in key areas of development. Partnership Program scholars numbered 112 for the 2008/09 academic year.

SCALING-UP PROGRAM

Launched in 2005, the Scaling-Up Program promotes knowledge sharing and information exchange among JJ/WBGSP alumni by supporting networking opportunities and knowledge exchange. This year, a day-long conference in Washington, D.C., provided JJ/WBGSP scholars studying in the eastern United States an opportunity to learn from development practitioners at the World Bank. Two regional conferences were held in Yaoundé (May 2008) and in Jakarta (June 2008) with prominent professionals from the government of Japan, the World Bank, academic institutions, and outstanding recent alumni. The Scaling-Up Program works with alumni to promote networks in countries and regions. In 2008, four alumni associations were established in Cameroon, Chad, West Africa, and Indonesia.

THE ROBERT S. MCNAMARA FELLOWSHIPS PROGRAM

The Robert S. McNamara Fellowships Program was established in 1982 with a \$1 million contribution from the World Bank and \$1.8 million from the governments of Bangladesh, China, India, Kuwait, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, and Yugoslavia. The program provides support to young researchers from eligible countries who are working in academic and research institutions and preparing their theses. Fellows are expected to advance their research by using the facilities and resources provided by the host institution and by interacting with peers. For the 2008/09 academic year, 17 scholars were selected.



Clockwise from top:

a: Robert B. Zoellick, President of the World Bank Group (front center) and Mr. Yoichi Suzuki, Consul of Japan in Boston (second row center) met with JJ/WBGSP scholars at the John F. Kennedy Jr. Forum at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government in April 2008.

b: Participants at the African Regional Conference of the 2007 JJ/WBGSP in Tanzania. Left to right: Professor Peter Msolla, Tanzanian Minister for Science, Technology, and Higher Education; Dr. Stergomena Laurence Tax, Tanzanian Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Industry, Trade, and Marketing, a 1997 JJ/WBGSP graduate; and Mr. Makoto Ito, Japanese Ambassador to Tanzania.

c: Beatrice Kiraso, Deputy Secretary General, East African Community, a 2004 JJ/WBGSP graduate of Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government.

THE JAPAN/ INDONESIA PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Japan-Indonesia Presidential Scholarship (JIPS) program contributes to the Indonesian Ministry of National Education's Presidential Scholars Program, which helps strengthen the qualifications and experience of staff, attract new talent to careers in higher education, and foster foreign and domestic academic partnerships. Launched in 2008, the JIPS is funded by a \$10 million grant from the government of Japan to support doctoral study for some 40 scholars. Eleven scholarships were awarded for the 2008/09 academic year.