

General Information on APT Training Course
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1. **Title of Training Course:** Actions for Next Generation Mobile Communication Systems

2. **Organization (hosted by):** Yokosuka Research Park (YRP)
Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (MIC)
Association of Radio Industries and Businesses (ARIB)

3. **Duration:** 26 November – 4 December 2014
(excluding arrival and departure dates)

4. **Place:** Tokyo and Yokosuka City, Kanagawa, Japan

5. Abstract and Objectives

In Japan, the ratio of mobile subscribers of IMT-2000 (the 3rd generation mobile phone) has become 100% and the demand for a high-speed, high-capacity mobile telecommunications technology is rising. To contend with such a future demand for high-speed data transmission using the mobile phone, it is necessary to promote the implementation of broadband wireless systems. Therefore, in Japan, LTE (Long Term Evolution) service has started in December 2010, also technical discussion to introduce IMT-Advanced goes on. . In addition to this, Japan believes that ITS (Intelligent Transport System) is an important system that contributes to solve the social issues by reducing the environmental burden and realizing safe traffic. Japan has been promoting research and development on advanced-ITS which can support safe driving.

This training course aims to contribute to the dissemination and advancement of mobile telecommunication technology in Asia-Pacific countries and to the early realization of the next generation mobile telecommunication systems such as IMT-Advanced and ITS radio system. To achieve this aim and to nurture the human network of the people concerned, the course will consist of lectures given by researchers and specialists from the governmental standardization body, research organizations, telecom operators, venders and academia with a focus on ICT policy, standardization activities, and R&D trends. Technical visits to major R&D facilities will also be included.

6. Schedule:

Please refer to the attached schedule (**Appendix-1**) that is subject to change for elaboration and/or adjustment.

7. Venue / Training Center:

Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

1-2 Kasumigaseki, 2-chome, Chiyoda-ku. Tokyo 100-8926, Japan

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Association of Radio Industries and Businesses (ARIB)

Nittochi Bldg. 11F, 1-4-1, Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-0013, Japan

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Yokosuka Research Park (YRP)

YRP Center No. 1 Bldg, 3-4 Hikarinooka, Yokosuka, Kanagawa 239-0847, Japan

TEL: +81 46 847 5017

8. Reception at the Airport:

YRP prepare supports for the participants to get domestic transportations from Narita International Airport to the hotel. Trainees will take direct airport limousine buses from Narita Airport to Royal Park Hotel The Shiodome, Tokyo.

9. Hotel accommodation:

<Nov. 25 – Nov. 30> - 6 nights

Royal Park Hotel The Shiodome, Tokyo

Add: 1-6-3 Higashi-Shimbashi, Minato-ku, Tokyo 105-8333

Tel. +81 3 6253 1111 Fax. +81 3 6253 1115

Web: <http://www.rph-the.co.jp/shiodome/en/>

<Dec. 1 - Dec. 3> - 3 nights

Mercure Yokosuka

Add: 3-27 Honcho, Yokosuka, Kanagawa, 238-0041

Tel +81 4 6821 1111 Fax +81 4 6821 1122

Web: <http://mercureyokosuka.jp/>

<Dec. 4> - 1 night

Narita Airport Rest House

Add: Narita Airport, Narita, Chiba

Tel. +81 4 7632 1212 Fax. +81 4 7632 1209

Web: <http://www.apo-resthouse.com/english/index.html>

10. Immigration Requirements:

All foreign visitors entering into Japan must have a valid passport.

- Participants requiring visa should apply to Japanese diplomatic mission (embassies and consulates etc.) in their own countries (or to Japanese diplomatic mission directly in charge of the participant's country) as soon as possible.

- Kindly check current visa requirement with the Embassy of Japan or Travel Agent before traveling, or visit the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan at URL: http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html.
- For your smooth visa application, visa supporting letters written in Japanese will be provided by YRP and will be sent directly to the participants.

11. Photograph:

The participants are requested to send an electronic **copy of a recent photograph** of their faces (within 6 months) for a participant list.

12. Country Report:

Participants are requested to prepare a Country Report based on a questionnaire to be forwarded to the selected trainees.

- The report should be made using Microsoft Power Point, Microsoft Word, and/or Microsoft Excel on A4 paper.
- The electronic file of the report should be submitted to the Local Secretariat (YRP) as mentioned in the section 16 and copied to the APT Secretariat **no later than 10 November, 2014.**
- Please be noted that the electronic file of the report may be distributed to the audiences of Country Report Presentation.
- Each trainee is requested to make an **8-minute presentation** followed by Q&A

13. At Japanese Custom Office:

- Japanese customs is fairly lenient and allows bringing in items necessary for personal use, however, strictly prohibited are firearms and other types of weapons and narcotics.
- For details please refer to the following website of Japanese Customs: <http://www.customs.go.jp/english/summary/passenger.htm>.

14. Weather:

- The latest weather information will be obtained at <http://www.jma.go.jp/en/yoho/index.html> (See weekly forecast to obtain highest and lowest temperature expected of each day of the corresponding week. – “Get more information on this area” -> pull down menu -> select “One-week forecasts”)
- Please also refer to the following Additional Advices.

15. Electric Current:

Please note that commercial electricity in Tokyo is at **AC 100V 50Hz** with American type outlet plug (**Type A Class II**). It is asked that participant **bring transformer and plug adapter (American type outlet plug)** if he/she wishes to use his/her own PC in Japan.

16. Contact Person:

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17. Additional Advices:

It is advised that participants bring shoes suitable and comfortable for walking, as in principle, public transportation system (Metro, Trains and Buses) will be used during the training and it sometimes requires certain distance of walking to and from and between training venues.

Rain gears such as umbrellas are also essential. In Japan, it can rain, sometimes all through the day, in any season of the year.

Please be well reminded that late November and beginning of December are the last phase of autumn and beginning of winter in Japan.

Although winter in Tokyo is relatively mild compared to other parts of Japan, dry with little chances of rain or snow, in some cases temperature may drop as low as single digit number in Celsius degrees (1 degree to 9 degrees Celsius) especially in the early mornings and chances of snow fall or cold rain cannot be totally denied.

Strong northerly wind may blow during this season and the wind chill effect makes one feel colder than the actual air temperature.

The participants are strongly advised to bring warm clothes.

18. Notes:

The host organization's business day is from Monday to Friday. They do not work on Saturdays and Sundays. Message sent to them will be received only during working hours of weekdays.

Also beware of **the time difference**, Japan is ahead of most of the countries. (Japan Standard Time is **UTC +9 hours**. Japan does not observe daylight saving time.) That means their office will be closed earlier than in the cases of most of the participants' countries.

19. Regulation:

- not to bring any member of his/her family;
- not to change accommodation during training period;
- to participate in the course from the beginning to the end; and

- to return his/her home country at the end of their training course according to the international travel schedule designated by APT.

Participants are required to comply with instructions given by APT and the local host. (Further information on the requirement is found in the “Guidelines for APT fellowships under HRD Programme (2014)” and other related document).