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**Program Outline and Participation Requirements**  
**of**  
**The Program on International Standardization**  
**(Plain Bearings)**  
**[ENST-1]**

**6 September – 12 September 2006**

**Yokohama, Japan**

## 1. BACKGROUND

AOTS - the Association for Overseas Technical Scholarship - is a non-profit association run with Japanese government subsidies from the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI). Since its establishment in 1959, AOTS has been conducting various technical and management training programs in Japan for the people of developing countries. The total number of participants in past AOTS training programs amounts to almost 127,000 from about 170 developing countries and regions. These former participants are playing very important roles in industry and contributing greatly to the economic development of their respective countries.

Developing countries in the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) region are industrializing and experiencing rapid economic growth. It is also expected that continuing growth will act as an engine for the development of the world economy. The development of the APEC region depends on private sector development under the market conditions of free and effective cross-border economic activities.

To develop private enterprise, it is important to promote liberalization and the facilitation of trade and investment in markets. However, because of the different economic, historical and cultural backgrounds of individual APEC countries, their domestic economic systems are many and varied. Therefore simply reducing traditional barriers like tariffs is not sufficient, and “facilitation” measures like promoting cooperation among member countries are becoming increasingly important.

From this perspective, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) launched the Enhancement Project of International Standardization Activities for Asia-Pacific Region to encourage those countries to participate in international standardization activities of ISO/IEC, concerning specific industrial fields. In cooperation with this Project, The Association for Overseas Technical Scholarship [AOTS] has been organizing training programs on international standardization.

## 2. PROGRAM OUTLINE

### 1) Objective:

This program has been developed by AOTS in cooperation with the Japanese National Committee for ISO/TC123 and is intended to provide participants engaged in international standardization in plain bearings and related subjects with knowledge of activities of international standardization in this field through lectures, company visits, report presentation and discussions. The program will help to deepen participants’ understanding of international standardization in plain bearings, and enable them to play a key role in promoting international standardization in plain bearings amongst APEC and other Asian countries in cooperation with Japan.

### 2) Target Participants:

The participants should be those expected to promote standardization in the industry of plain bearings in their countries.

## 3) Duration:

The program lasts for a week, **from 6 to 12 September 2006.**

## 4) Contents:

This program, consisting of lectures, company visits, report presentations and discussions, requires the full involvement of participants throughout the duration of the program. The program will cover the following most recent topics relating to international standardization in plain bearings:

- Standardization policy
- Standardization of plain bearings
- **Recent trends of passenger car engine development and the role of plain bearings**
- Applications of plain bearings and standardization
- Automobiles and standardization
- Company visits
- Country report, general discussion and presentation

## 5) Language:

All lectures, discussions and company visits will be conducted in **English** or **Japanese with translation into English**. The program documents and training materials will be prepared in **English**.

## 6) Number of Participants (see Table A):

A total and maximum number of **20 participants** will be invited from eight countries as per Table A : China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand, the Philippines, Vietnam, India and South Korea.

**Table A: Maximum number of participants to be invited to the ENST-1 program.**

Country	Category (a)	Category (b)
China	2	1
Indonesia	2	1
Malaysia	1	1
Thailand	3	1
The Philippines	1	1
Vietnam	1	1
India	1	1
South Korea	1	1

Category (a): Engineers working in machines and machine parts industries, researchers in machine-related laboratories or institutes, as well as academic staff members in the field of mechanical and machine-related engineering.

Category (b): Experts in [standardization, classification or related organizations](#) who are in charge of standardization of plain bearings, machine elements, machines and related subjects.

**\*The more detailed participation requirements can be seen on the next page.**

7) Training Location and Accommodation:

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