

## Self Assessment Report on Project Implementation

### Japan:

#### Raise public awareness of the ADB/OECD Initiative in fighting corruption in Asia-Pacific

Pillar 3- Supporting Active Public Involvement

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Project budget: n.a.

Starting date: n.a.

Closing date: n.a.

#### Project description:

We make an effort to raise public awareness about fighting corruption by different measures such as briefing, conference, and web site etc. Especially, in 2001, the Government of Japan hosted the Third Conference in Fighting Corruption in the Asia Pacific, and actively participated in the drafting of the Action Plan. The Government of Japan took this opportunity to raise public awareness domestically and internationally.

#### Project objectives and scope

The objectives are:

1. To create an environment of fighting corruption in business communities and governments in Asia Pacific region.
2. To utilize the Conference and the Action Plan as one of the core activities of Japan in fighting corruption in the region.

#### Project inputs (project components and implementation steps)

The main components of the project are:

1. To briefing to the ASEAN embassies in Japan, major business communities, major NGOs etc.
2. To use the Web site of the Government of Japan to attract attention on the ADB/OECD Initiative in Fighting Corruption. .

#### Project outputs

Each briefing and conference, and the web site attracted attention to many people, and as a result the public became increasingly aware of the topic of anti- corruption.

#### Project benefits & risks

The business and public official community pay more attention on fighting corruption than before, and the public oversees the business and public official community more severely.

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## **Output evaluation**

1. We have strengthened the public awareness on anti-corruption and relationships with the participants of the briefing and the Conference.
2. We have expressed Japan's determination to fight corruption.

## **Project overall assessment**

Our project created an environment on fighting corruption and contributed indirectly to the conclusion of the UN Convention on Transnational Organized Crime, and the negotiation on UN Convention against Corruption. And we welcome the declaration by the G8 Summit on fighting corruption. These show a political will around the world that countries are determined to fight corruption.

## **Major lessons learned**

The topic of anti-corruption reached to the G8 summit. By giving a worldwide political commitment, this shows that countries around the world have similar problems and are determined to stop corruption. But as we know, corruption is deep-rooted in some countries.

## **Follow-up action and recommendation**

To publish the outcome of ADB/OECD Initiative in the Asia Pacific to other regions as well as international organizations to make them know that Asia Pacific region is making an effort to fight corruption.

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