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PROGRAM

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09:00 – 09:30 Registration

09:30 – 09:40 Welcome Remarks
Masahiro Kawai
Dean
Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI)

09:40 – 11:20 Session I: SMEs’ ACCESS TO FINANCE: INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND LESSONS FROM JAPAN DURING CRISIS PERIOD
Chairperson: Hank Lim
Research Director, Singapore Institute of International Affairs

09:40 – 10:10 Paper 1: Development of Corporate Credit Information Database and Credit Guarantee System

Presenters: (1) Naoyuki Yoshino
Professor, Keio University
(2) Koichi Suzuki
President, Hachinohe University
(3) Yasuhiro Maehara
Professor, Hitotsubashi University
(4) Kazutomo Abe
Professor, Tokyo Denki University

Comments by Discussants
Discussant 1: Mukesh Bhattarai
Director, Research and Planning Department,
Asian Productivity Organization (APO)

Discussant 2: Susan Stone
Senior Research Fellow, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI)

10:10 – 10:20 Coffee Break


Presenter: Shuji Uchikawa
Senior Researcher, Bangkok Research Center,
Japan External Trade Organization

Comments by Discussants

Discussant 1: Siripong Pansanit
Vice President, Internal Audit Office,
Small Business Credit Guarantee Corporation

Discussant 2: Douglas Brooks
Economic Research Department, Asian Development Bank (ADB)

10:50 – 11:20 Open Floor Discussion

11:20 – 14:30 Session II: IMPACTS OF GLOBAL FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC CRISIS ON SMEs: PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND SOUTH ASIA

Chairperson: John West
Senior Consultant, ADBI


Presenter: Xiangfeng Liu
Deputy Director, Institute for International Economic Research (NDRC)

Comments by Discussants

Discussant 1: Kazutomo Abe
Professor, Tokyo Denki University

Discussant 2: Zhai Fan
Research Fellow, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI)

11:50 – 12:00 Photo Session
12:00 – 13:30 Lunch Break

13:30 – 14:00 Paper 4: SMEs and SME Financing in South Asia: Global Financial Crisis and Beyond

Presenter: Keshab Das
Professor, Gujarat Institute of Development Research

Comments by Discussants
Discussant 1: **Liberty S. Patiu**  
Associate Professor, De la Salle University

Discussant 2: **Azmi Khalid**  
Senior Analyst, The International Institute of Public Policy and Management (INPUMA)

**14:00 – 14:30**  
Open Floor Discussion

**14:30 – 16:00**  
**Session III: IMPACTS OF GLOBAL FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC CRISIS ON SMEs: SOUTHEAST ASIA AND CENTRAL ASIA**

**Chairperson:** Mario B. Lamberte  
Director of Research, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI)

**14:30 – 15:00**  
**Paper 5: An Assessment of the Impact of the Global Economic and Financial Crisis on SMEs in Southeast Asia**

**Presenter:** Tulus Tambunan  
Lecturer, Faculty of Economics, University of Trisakti

Comments by Discussants

- **Discussant 1:** Sharifah Alhabshi  
  Senior Lecturer, International Institute Of Public Policy and Management (INPUMA)
- **Discussant 2:** Xiangfeng Liu  
  Deputy Director, Institute for International Economic Research (NDRC)

**15:00 – 15:30**  
**Paper 6: SMEs Finance in Global Economic Crisis: The Case of Central Asia**

**Presenter:** Gloria O. Pasadilla  
Senior Research Fellow, Philippine Institute for Development Studies (PIDS)

Comments by Discussants

- **Discussant 1:** Shuji Uchikawa  
  Senior Researcher, Bangkok Research Center, Japan External Trade Organization
- **Discussant 2:** Peter Morgan  
  Senior Research Consultant, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI)

**15:00 – 16:00**  
Open Floor Discussion

**16:00 – 16:20**  
Coffee Break

**16:20 – 17:10**  
**Session IV: TRADE FINANCE IN GLOBAL ECONOMIC CRISIS**

**Chairperson:** Naoyuki Yoshino  
Professor, Keio University
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|          | Economic Research Department, Asian Development Bank (ADB)  
|          | (2) **Doo Yong Yang**  
|          | Research Fellow, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI)  
|          | (3) **Elvira Kurmanalieva**  
|          | Research Associate, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI)  
|          | Comments by Discussants  
|          | Discussant 1: **Hiroyuki Ito**  
|          | Professor, Portland State University and  
|          | Visiting Scholar, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI)  
|          | Discussant 2: **Keshab Das**  
|          | Professor, Gujarat Institute of Development Research  
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| 17:10 – 18:10 | **Session V: PANEL DISCUSSION** |
|          | **Moderator:** **Masahiro Kawai**  
|          | Dean, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI)  
|          | **Panelists:**  
|          | (1) **Hank Lim** – summary of key issues discussed  
|          | (2) **Naoyuki Yoshino**, Keio University  
|          | (3) **Keshab Das**, Gujarat Institute of Development Research  
|          | (4) **Xiangfeng Liu**, NDRC  
|          | (5) **Siripong Pansanit**, Small Business Credit Guarantee Corporation  
|          | (6) **Tulus Tambunan**, University of Trisakti  
|          | **Master of Ceremony:**  
|          | **Mario B. Lamberte**  
|          | Director of Research, ADBI |
| 18:30 – 20:00 | **Cocktail Dinner (by invitation only)** |
|          | **End of Conference** |