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Abstract

Network for e-Learning in Asia: Japanese Perspective

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In 21st century, Asian countries have faced two big challenges: 1) strong needs of better human resources in changing social and economic condition and 2) capacity to utilize power of new information technology in the competitive age. The concept of “e-Learning” is expected as one of the key solution to those challenges in Asia and the world. Current evolution of e-Learning in Japan and other Asian countries are very significant but many practices are still domestic level not global. If we can strengthen collaboration to develop e-learning contents and course based on the international standard, it makes great contribution to improve human resources in Asia. To promote sustainable development, networking among government, academia and industry relevant to e-learning are necessary not only in domestic level but also international one.

To respond these needs, Japanese initiatives such as the Asia e-Learning Network (AEN), JICA-Net and others have been launched.

In this presentation, the following points will be presented:

- 1) Trends of e-learning in Japan
- 2) e-Learning in Asia
- 3) Japanese initiatives with Asia
- 4) Future of e-learning