



# Newsletter

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## New Action Plan to Enhance JSCE's Visibility in the International Arena



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The International Activities Committee (IAC) considers it essential to build the environment in which JSCE members continuously improve their professional performance and services in and outside Japan, resulting in making good contributions to the sustainable development of the global community. In order to attain that more effectively, the IAC formulated a new action plan taking into account the achievements and remained issues in the previous "Action plan for JSCE's internationalization drawn in 2002, which was publicized in the Civil Engineering, September 2002. The new action plan was approved at the Board Meeting on 23 March 2007.

The IAC will take detailed approaches and implement the action plan steadily under the following slogan and three pillars together with the JSCE members. Their understanding and support would be most appreciated.

### Outline of the Action Plan

#### Slogan

We shall promote seamless\* service across borders in the civil engineering field and contribute to global infrastructure development.

#### Three pillars

1. Expansion of the JSCE network and

- promotion of international cooperation
2. Dissemination of information and promotion of the Japanese civil engineering technology to be employed wider in the global community
3. Acquisition of information overseas and supply it to the public at home

#### Possible achievements

By implementing the action plan steadily, the IAC will build access to and fro the international arena for the JSCE members to enable them to perform professional duties both at home and overseas, and as the result, will contribute:

an overseas society's sustainable development by means of developing human resources, exchanging technical information and operating projects successfully.

further advancement of civil engineering at home: promotion of international recognition of civil engineering and practitioners and expansion of business operations overseas

\*Seamless: the original meaning is having no seams. In this action plan, the term is used to imply minimizing the differences between the national and international societies which may influence the civil engineers who work in those societies.

### Background to the Formulation of the New Action Plan

The IAC has taken several approaches in the framework of the previous action plan: utilizing the experiences of those who have worked outside the country, disseminating information timely and widely, introducing other divisions and committees' activities, reviewing the services and benefits to overseas