Concept Note for the ASEM ME 2nd Working Group Meeting

Aim of the 2nd Working Group Meeting

While the 1st phase of the Working Group (WG) took a thematic approach and focused on the cases of each ASEM nation with regard to innovative competences and entrepreneurship, the 2nd phase of the WG will be focusing more on factors underneath the successful cases (programs) in terms of: national guidelines and political endorsement, the perception of policy makers, procedures (collaboration) for program setting, strategic sourcing, the use of resources, etc. Accordingly, the upcoming phase of the WG will be operated with more emphasis on policy perspectives, whereas the previous phase focused on the programs per se.

1st phase of the WG

- Investigated diverse cases of Asem nations regarding innovative competences and entrepreneurship (took thematic/narrative approaches to each case).
- Analyzed and defined policy, educational and organisational drivers of the case.
- Suggested Recommendations
- Series of WG Meetings included site visits to schools and institutes

2ndphase of the WG (tentative)

- A new phase of the WG shall build discussions on "How to ensure proper implementations and sustainability of the innovative competences and entrepreneurship in education".
- Detailed subjects for the theme will be more policy oriented with quantitative research, analysis and discussion. This will involve surveys of diverse stakeholders such as policy makers, teachers, students etc., and analysis of data from various aspects.
- Series of WG Meetings shall include site visits to schools and institutes which show exemplary cases with regard to the subjects above.
- New cases may be included in the report in the course of the 2nd phase of the WG as we are inviting new members to the WG.

In order to make the outcomes of the WG more concrete and valid, the 2nd phase of the WG plans to introduce a quantitative approach and conduct surveys of policy makers, teachers and students related with each successful case (program) during the WG procedure. In doing so, cooperation among participating countries may be needed. The survey aims to investigate the progress of policy implementation, how the perception of stakeholders was formed in each successful case, how the beneficiaries (students) recognized the programs, etc. Based on these, the survey will also contribute to comparative analysis of the cases across the ASEM nations, which is the 2nd phase of the WG is ultimately aiming at.

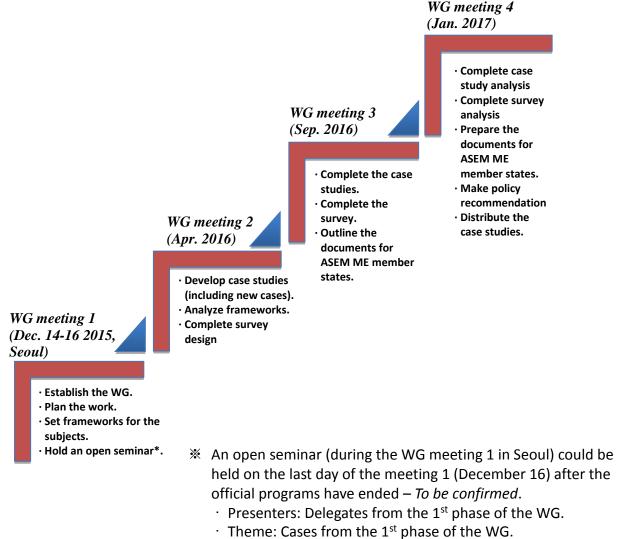
Site visits, which play significant roles in understanding the context of innovative competences and entrepreneurship in hosting nations, will be continued with cases relevant

to the theme.

The 2nd WG will provide all participants with a great opportunity to further develop the outputs from the 1st phase of the WG. Also, it will be an asset to attract new members with more relevant and exemplary cases further enriching the outcomes.

Program Roadmap 2015-2017 (Tentative)

- * The following roadmap is tentative as of now (October 2015) and may change according to progress after the commencement of the WG activity.
- WG members are welcome to host a working group meeting (to be discussed at the WG meeting 1 in December 2015 in Seoul).



Audience: Policy makers and practitioners of innovative competences and entrepreneurship in Korea (approximately 30 people).