PROGRAM AGENDA

Day 1

Thursday, January 9		
9:10-	Registration	
9:30-9:45	 Welcome and Opening Remarks Mr. Chikahisa Sumi, Director, IMF OAP Mr. Ryutaro Murotani, Deputy Head of Office for Global Issues and Development Partnership, JICA 	
9:45-10:30	A. Role of the IMF	
	The session will first explain the role of the IMF in the international financial system. In addition, the lecturer will describe how an IMF economist works at Headquarters and in the field.	
10:30-10:45	Break	
10:45-12:15	B. Overview of the IMF's Macroeconomic Framework (1)	
	This session will provide an overview of the ways in which the IMF analyzes macroeconomic developments and policies. The lecture will discuss the IMF's financial programming tool, and describe how it is used to understand linkages between macroeconomic variables and to make projections that are both internally consistent and sensible.	
12:15-13:15	Lunch	
13:15-14:45	C. Overview of the IMF's Macroeconomic Framework (2)	
	This session will explore the role of financial programming in identifying macroeconomic risks and vulnerabilities and developing policy recommendations. Simple tools for evaluating monetary and fiscal policy will also be introduced.	
14:45-15:00	Break	
15:00-16:30	D. IMF Surveillance: Case Study of Turkey	
	This session will utilize a country case to explain the role of IMF surveillance and illustrate how financial programming is utilized to analyze a country economy. In particular, the class will explore how to use economic data to identify trends and risks and develop policy recommendations. A recent IMF staff report will serve as the basis of this lecture.	
16:30-16:45	Break	
16:45-	E. Introduction of Group Assignment	
	In this brief session, the group assignment will be explained, and material will be distributed. There will also be an opportunity for participants to ask questions based on the day's material.	

Day 2

Friday, January 10	
9:30-11:00	F. IMF-Supported Programs: Case Study of Mongolia
	This session will discuss the role of, and process behind, an IMF-supported program. A case study of a recent program will be utilized to provide concrete examples of key concepts introduced during the day, and to explore trade-offs faced in program design.
11:00-11:15	Break
11:15-12:00	G. Presentation by JICA
12:00-13:00	Lunch
13:00-14:00	H. Group Presentations (1)
	In this session, participants will make use of country data from IMF staff reports, to provide a diagnosis of a country's prospects and risks, and make policy recommendations.
14:00-14:15	Break
14:15-15:15	I. Group Presentations (2)
15:15-15:45	Closing / Group photo
16:00-	Reception