

**Welcome**

to the

**EU-Japan ICT cooperation workshop**

May 20, 2008

Delegation of the European Commission to Japan - Tokyo



## Workshop agenda

- **13:30**
  - Welcome of participants
- **14:00**
  - Opening Address by Dr Philippe de Taxis du Poët
    - ✓ First Counsellor, Head of S&T section, Delegation of the European Commission to Japan
  - Introductory address by Roger Torrenti
    - ✓ Advisor of the FP7 COJAK project
  - Open discussion
    - ✓ Including formal presentations from participants
  - Synthesis and next steps
- **18:00**
  - Networking cocktail



## The COJAK project

- **A support action selected at FP7 Call 1 (ICT theme) aiming at supporting the development of EU-Japan cooperation on ICT research**
  - Particularly under FP7
    - ✓ only 8 projects with Japanese participation in FP6 IST
- **Developed in continuity with the ASIACOOOP FP6 project who supported the organisation of the cooperation Forum of last March in Tokyo**
  - Both ASIACOOOP and COJAK are coordinated by Orionis
    - ✓ already involved in the organisation of the EuroGifu event in 2000
- **COJAK will mainly**
  - Organise a follow-up cooperation Forum in Brussels
    - ✓ date TBD
  - Hold more workshops similar to the today's one in Europe and in Japan
  - Develop awareness and promotion activities



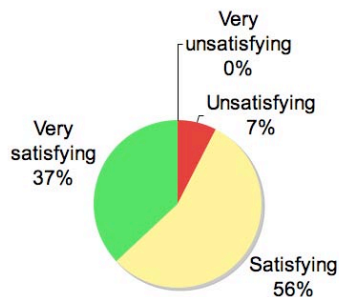


# The 2008 EU-Japan Cooperation Forum on ICT research

- **Successfully held on March 4-5 at Mita Kaigisho**
  - Under the aegis of the European Commission, MIC, METI, MEXT and MOFA
- **Quite promising session outputs**
  - And a positive assessment by a large majority of delegates
- **The necessity to build on**
  - ensuring continuity through the organisation of a similar Forum in Europe

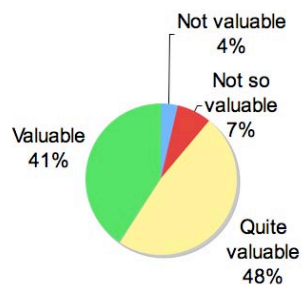
Question 1

Has your participation in the event been globally...



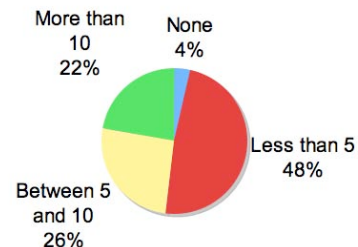
Question 2

How useful was the information exchanged during the Forum ?



Question 3

How many useful contacts did you make during the events ?



Question 4

Did the event allow you to initiate or strengthen cooperation projects ?





## Workshop objectives

- **To meet organisations already (or ready to be) involved in EU-Japan cooperation projects and understand from them how the cooperation framework could / should be improved to allow a quicker development of cooperation projects  
(and then report to the EC)**
  - *Focusing on the development of concrete cooperation projects is a priority (because short term results are targeted) but addressing the cooperation framework in parallel is important too because it directly influences reachable results*
    - ✓ *Participation in the today's workshop has been essentially limited to organisations having been invited to the Forum of March 2008 and based in Japan but some contributions have been sent by organisations based in Europe (the next workshop, to be organized in Brussels, will mainly target the participation of key stakeholders based in Europe)*



## Issues to be addressed

- **Connection**
  - Which connection opportunities do European and Japanese organisations need?
    - ✓ Forums or focused workshops (as soon as end of 2008 or later on), online facilities, etc.
- **Information**
  - How to improve the information of organisations from both regions (in particular Japanese SMEs and Universities) on cooperation opportunities?
- **Funding**
  - What solutions can ensure a stronger participation?
    - ✓ match funding, coordinated calls, etc.
- **Any other issues**
  - What else could be usefully done at a general level (EU-Japan agreement) or at a more detailed one?



# Thank you for your attention

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