Opening Ceremony - Chairman's Greeting

August 5th, 2019

Yoji Sato Chairman

I am Yoji Sato the chairman of the One Asia Foundation. I would like to extend my warm welcome to you all attending the 'One Asia Convention Seoul 2019'. I am very delighted to see so many new and familiar faces.

My deepest thanks to the President of Konkuk University, Dr. MIN Sanggi, President of Korean Red Cross, Kyung-seo PARK, and the mayor of Seoul, Mr. PARK Wonsoon for their greetings for this opening ceremony.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude, to Konkuk University for their full cooperation in organising this convention and also, to Ewha Womans University for their cooperation in simultaneous interpretation and in other affairs.

The foundations' goal is very simple. I hope the world will be free from all conflicts such as "Ethnicity and Nation", "Religion", "Political System" and "Wealth Inequality". I also hope that the wars and conflicts that have lingered onto humanity from the past to the present will disappear. I would like to work with the young students around the world in order to build such a future.

As a means to achieve the foundations' goal, there is the Asian community, then the Eurasian community, and finally a world community. The means will change with time.

It is necessary to have many like-minded individuals in order to move towards the goal of "a world with no conflicts". All the passionate scholars from each university and the young students around the world participating today, we are all part of the same team.

The community in the future requires all the factors involved in everyday life. Politics and economy are only a part of this. Professional from all expertise should join their efforts and work together.

The foundation has no boundaries in all areas of expertise. The activities of this foundation are supported by the passion and cooperation of all the professors from different expertise.

By building new connections and expanding ones' network, this can bring us closer to the goal.

I hope you can enjoy reuniting with those you already know, and at the same time actively meet new individuals at this occasion.

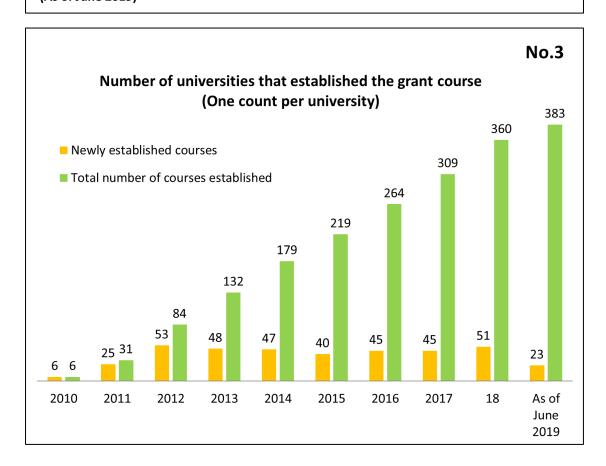
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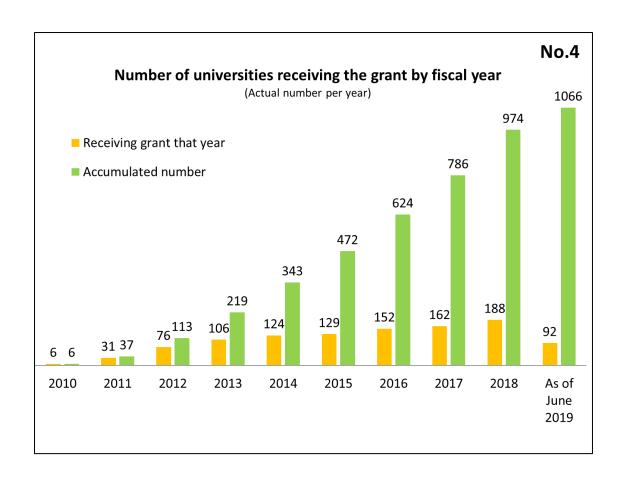
Past Conventions					
	Date(s)	Location (Cooperating University)	No. of Participants (Country/Region)		
1 st	July 1st, 2011	Tokyo	300 (7)		
2 nd	July 6 th -7 th , 2012	Incheon (Incheon National University)	350 (15) 70 Universities		
3 rd	March 22 nd -23 rd , 2013	Bandung (Indonesia University of Education)	280 (14)		
4 th	August 1 st -2 nd , 2014	Jeju (Jeju National University)	580 (29) 200 Universities		
5 th	July 31 st -August 1 st , 2015	Shanghai (Fudan University)	600 (30) 240 Universities		
6 th	5 th -6 th August, 2016	Phnom Penh (Royal University of Phnom Penh)	600 (31) 250 Universities		
7 th	August 4 th -5 th , 2017	Nagoya (Aichi University)	600 (30) 300 Universities		
8 th	August 3 rd -4 th , 2018	Hanoi (Vietnam National University Hanoi, University of Languages and International Studies)	650 (31) 300 Universities		
9 th	August 5 th -6 th , 2019	Seoul (Konkuk University)	650 (32) 325 Universities		

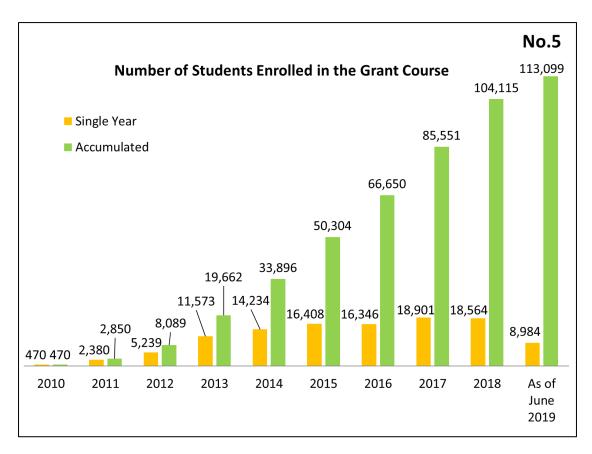
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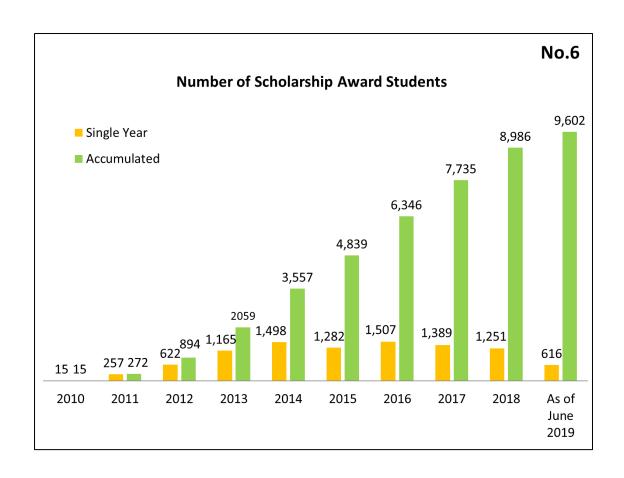
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Japan	66	47	India	2	4	Spain	3	
South Korea	80	21	Pakistan		1	Germany	1	1
China	128	30	Bangladesh	1	1	Austria	1	
Hong Kong	4	3	Laos	2		Finland	1	
Macau		1	Bhutan		1	Russia	2	
Taiwan	16	6	Kyrgyz	6		Ukraine	1	
North Korea		1	Kazakhstan	5	2	Poland	1	1
Singapore	1	2	Turkmenistan		1	Belarus		1
Thailand	5	4	Uzbekistan		2	Slovenia		1
Mongolia	3	6	Tajikistan		4	Lithuania	1	
Vietnam	6	2	Australia	5	1	Turkey	2	2
Myanmar		4	New Zealand	1		Egypt		1
Nepal		2	USA	8	2	Congo	1	
Philippines		3	Canada	2				
Cambodia	11	5	Mexico		1			
Indonesia	10	5	UK	1	2			
East Timor	1		France		2			
Malaysia	2	1	Ireland	1		Sub Total	383	174
Sri Lanka	1		Italy	1		Total (51)	557	Univ.

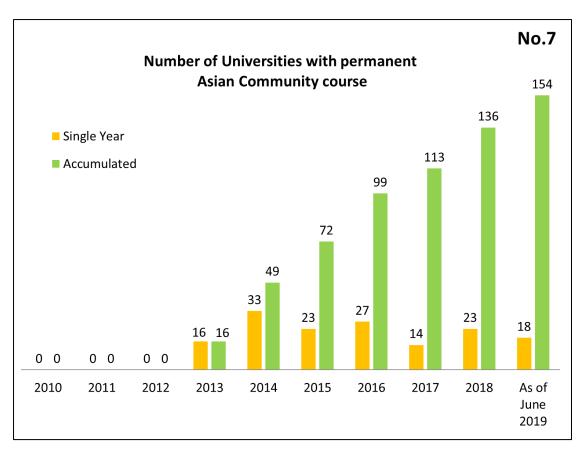
(As of June 2019)











Number of permanent Asian Community courses at universities by No.8 Country/ Region

(As of June 2019)

Country/ Region	Number of Universities	Country/ Region	Number of Universities		
Japan	21	Kazakhstan	2		
South Korea	46	Mongolia	1		
China	40	Lao	1		
Hong Kong	2	Australia	1		
Taiwan	9	USA	1		
Thailand	2	Canada	2		
Vietnam	5	Italy	1		
Cambodia	2	Spain	1		
Indonesia	5	Russia	1		
Malaysia	2	Lithuania	1		
Kyrgyz	6	Turkey	2		
(22 Countries/Regions) Total: 154 Universities					

