

April 20th, 2017International Policy Division (Global Strategy),
Policy Bureau

Zambia-Japan and Uganda-Japan “Quality Infrastructure Dialogue”

Continuous Discussion for the Promotion of “Quality Infrastructure Investment”

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism held “Quality Infrastructure Dialogue” in Lusaka City, Republic of Zambia on April 11th, and in Kampala City, Republic of Uganda on April 5th. Based on the Memorandum of Understanding between State Minister Suematsu and cabinet member of infrastructure in January this year in High Quality Infrastructure Conference*, “Quality Infrastructure Dialogues” were held to continue the relationships established through the conferences and follow-up activities.

*Please see the URL below for the details of High-Quality Infrastructure Conference.

http://www.mlit.go.jp/report/press/sogo07_hh_000428.html

1. Zambia-Japan Quality Infrastructure Dialogue (see details in Attachment 1)

- (1) Date: Tuesday, April 11th, 2017
- (2) Location: Conference room of National Road Fund Agency, Lusaka, Republic of Zambia
- (3) Host: (Japan) Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism
(Zambia) Ministry of Housing Infrastructure Development
- (4) Participants: Approximately 40 people from both countries
(From Japan) Approximately 20 people from Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (Counsellor of Minister’s Secretariat Mori), Embassy of Japan in Zambia (Ambassador Sobashima), JICA Zambia Office (Acting Chief Representative Fujiie), Japanese companies (7 Japan-Africa Infrastructure Development Association member companies including construction companies, consulting companies, trading companies and manufacturers), etc.
(From Zambia) Approximately 20 people from Ministry of Housing and Infrastructure Development (Permanent Secretary Mushota), National Council for Construction (Executive Director Ngulube) and relevant government organizations

2. Uganda-Japan Quality Infrastructure Dialogue (see details in Attachment 2)

- (1) Date: Wednesday, April 5th, 2017
- (2) Location: Hotel Africana, Kampala, Republic of Uganda
- (3) Host: (Japan) Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism
(Uganda) Ministry of Works and Transport
- (4) Participants: Approximately 60 people from both countries
(Japan) Approximately 20 people from Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (Director for International Planning for Construction Industry Ishigaki), Embassy of Japan in Uganda (Minister-Counselor Nakamura), JICA Uganda Office (Chief Representative

Kawasumi), Japanese companies (9 Japan-Africa Infrastructure Development Association member companies including construction companies, consulting companies, trading companies and manufacturers, etc.)

(From Uganda) Approximately 40 people from Ministry of Works and Transport (Director Bagonza), Uganda National Association of Building and Civil Engineering Contractors (President Karuhanga), Uganda Association of Consulting Engineers (Chairperson Turihohabwe), Kampala City, etc.

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(5) Summary

Based on the achievement of “High Quality Infrastructure Conference” in January, Japanese infrastructure related companies made presentations on high quality infrastructure technologies and solutions which are expected to be applied in Zambia such as operation and maintenance technologies for roads and bridges, and urban transportation system. They also exchanged opinions.

We agreed to hold the 2nd “High Quality Infrastructure Conference” in this autumn in Zambia and establish four thematic study groups including “Roads and Bridges” and “Urban Transportation,” which Zambia has high needs for infrastructure development.

2. Discussions with Zambia National Council for Construction

- (1) Date: Tuesday, April 11th, 2017
- (2) Location: Conference room of National Council for Construction, Lusaka, Republic of Zambia
- (3) Host: (Japan) Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism
(Zambia) National Council for Construction
- (4) Participants: Approximately 50 people from both countries
(From Japan) Approximately 15 people from Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (Counsellor of Minister's Secretariat Mori) and Japanese companies (4 Japan-Africa Infrastructure Development Association member companies including construction companies, consulting companies, trading companies and manufacturers, etc.)
(From Zambia) Approximately 35 people from National Council for Construction (Executive Director Ngulube) and local companies, etc.

(5) Summary

As follow-up of business matching in High Quality Infrastructure Conference in January, infrastructure related companies of both countries exchanged opinions as potential business partners.



“1st Zambia-Japan Quality Infrastructure Dialogue”



Discussion with National Council for Construction
of Zambia

3. Uganda-Japan Quality Infrastructure Dialogue

- (1) Date: Wednesday, April 5th, 2017
- (2) Location: Hotel Africana, Kampala, Republic of Uganda
- (3) Host: (Japan) Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism
(Uganda) Ministry of Works and Transport
- (4) Participants: Approximately 60 people from both countries
 - (Japan) Approximately 20 people from Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (Director for International Planning for Construction Industry Ishigaki), Embassy of Japan in Uganda (Minister-Counselor Nakamura), JICA Uganda Office (Chief Representative Kawasumi), Japanese companies (9 Japan-Africa Infrastructure Development Association member companies including construction companies, consulting companies, trading companies and manufacturers, etc.)
 - (From Uganda) Approximately 40 people from Ministry of Works and Transport (Director Bagonza), Uganda National Association of Building and Civil Engineering Contractors (President Karuhanga), Uganda Association of Consulting Engineers (Chairperson Turihohabwe), Kampala City, etc.
- (5) Summary

The Ministry of Works and Transport made presentations on their needs of capacity building in the fields of operation and maintenance measures for roads and bridges, and methods of traffic demand analysis. Japanese infrastructure related companies made presentations on high-quality infrastructure technologies and solutions which are expected to be applied in Uganda. They also exchanged opinions.

We agreed to consider holding the 2nd “Uganda-Japan Quality Infrastructure Dialogue” in Japan and establish thematic working groups including “Roads and Bridges” and “Transportation Management” which Uganda has high needs for infrastructure development.



“1st Uganda-Japan Quality Infrastructure Dialogue”

4. Workshops with Uganda National Association of Building and Civil Engineering Contractors (UNABCEC) and Uganda Association of Consulting Engineers (UACE)

(1) Date: Wednesday, April 5th, 2017

(2) Location: Hotel Africana, Kampala, Republic of Uganda

(3) Host: (Japan) Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

(Uganda) Uganda National Association of Building and Civil Engineering Contractors (UNABCEC) and Uganda Association of Consulting Engineers (UACE)

(4) Participants: Approximately 50 people from both countries

(Japan) Approximately 20 people from Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (Director for International Planning for Construction Industry Ishigaki), Embassy of Japan in Uganda, JICA Uganda Office and Japanese companies (10 Japan-Africa Infrastructure Development Association member companies including construction companies, consulting companies, trading companies and manufacturers, etc.)

(From Uganda) Approximately 30 people from Uganda National Association of Building and Civil Engineering Contractors (President Karuhanga), Uganda Association of Consulting Engineers (Chairperson Turihohabwe) and local companies, etc.

(5) Summary

Infrastructure related companies of both countries made presentations on infrastructure needs, high-quality infrastructure technologies and solutions. In addition, business matching between infrastructure related companies of both countries was held and they actively exchanged opinions as potential business partners.



“Workshop with Uganda National Association of Building and Civil Engineering Contractors”

5. Courtesy Call on Minister of State for Transport Bagiire of the Republic of Uganda (April 6th)

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism and Japanese infrastructure related companies paid a courtesy call on Minister of State for Transport Bagiire. We confirmed that it is important to build a sustainable dialogue platform so that the success of the conference is not transient, and we agreed to consider holding the 2nd Uganda-Japan Quality Infrastructure Dialogue in Japan. We exchanged opinions on establishing thematic working groups including “Roads and Bridges” and “Transportation Management” which Uganda has high needs for infrastructure development.



“Courtesy Call on Ugandan Minister of State for Transport Bagiire”