New officer at the Secretariat



The Secretariat welcomed **Jisoo Yun**, the newest program officer in its Agriculture Department, on 12 June. ROK national Jisoo brings her experience in areas such as sustainable tourism and farmland development from her previous work with UNITAR CIFAL in Jeju and the Korea Rural Community Corporation. She studied international relations and international area studies at KyungHee University in the ROK and the University of California-Berkeley in the USA, then obtained a Master's in International Agriculture and Rural Development from the University of East Anglia in the UK. "I love musical activities," she says, confessing her love of music and especially singing, as she remembers when she used to perform on stage. She loves listening to different genres of music and wants to learn swing dancing. Jisoo is excited about her work at the APO, particularly helping rural communities with knowledge sharing and dissemination of new ideas. She looks forward to the opportunities to travel around the region, experience new cultures, and meet NPO staff and form new friendships.

New publications



New Perspectives on Productivity in the Knowledge Economy

This handbook records the lively presentations and dialogue between Dr. Laurence Prusak and Prof. Ikujiro Nonaka on productivity in the knowledge economy, conducted at the APO-National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS) Special Joint Forum held 27 May 2015 in Tokyo. Topics include management of knowledge as an intangible asset and leadership in "practical wisdom" to create knowledge and encourage innovation.

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This report discusses a model framework for tripartite cooperation among APO, NPOs, and national institutes of technology to support the development and enhancement of training programs that meet the growing demand for productivity practitioners in the region. The insights introduced are based on the outputs of the Workshop on Development of Courses for Productivity Practitioners at Institutes of Technology held in the ROC in May 2014.

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