Research Study on Quality Assurance of Vocational Education Training institutions in Thailand, Malaysia, and Indonesia

This research study was conducted to clarify the Quality Assurance systems of post-secondary Vocational Education Training (VET) institutions in Thailand, Malaysia, and Indonesia. In Japan, VET at the bachelor's degree level was newly introduced in 2019 with the establishment of Vocational Universities and Vocational Junior Colleges as a new higher education institutions system. Vocational Universities are required to undergo institutional Certified Evaluation and Accreditation in the same manner as conventional universities and also program level. It is expected that research on Quality Assurance of VET overseas will contribute to the development of the evaluation system of the Japan Institution for Higher Education Evaluation (JIHEE).

In Thailand, Malaysia, and Indonesia, online interviews were conducted with accreditation agencies and their accredited VET institutions to investigate the actual situation and issues from the perspective of both the evaluator and the institution being evaluated. However, the Thai VET institution provided only written responses to the questions sent to it instead of interviews.

The results of the research showed that in all three countries, the government has developed a system of VET for the development of the workforce and is actively involved in Quality Assurance. Although the types and levels of VET in each country were very diverse, there were some similarities. Qualifications obtained at post-secondary VET institutions could be verified against higher education degrees by reference to the National Qualifications Framework.

Interview Survey Overview

Name of Institution	Date of interview
Kingdom of Thailand	
Office for National Education Standard and	Wed, March 2, 2022
Quality Assessment (ONESQA)	
สำนักงานรับรองมาตรฐานและประเมินคุณภาพการศึกษา	
Rajamangala University of Technology Thanyaburi	*A questionnaire was sent,
(RMUTT)	and a written response to it
มหาวิทยาลัยเทคโนโลยีราชมงคลธัญบุรี	was received on Tue, May
	31, 2022.
Malaysia	
Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA)	Tue, June 14, 2022
Agensi Kelayakan	
SEGi college Sarawak	Tue, September 27, 2022

Republic of Indonesia	
National Accreditation Agency for Higher Education	Mon, June 13, 2022
(NAAHE)	
Badan Akreditasi Nasional Perguruan Tinggi (BAN-	
PT)	
Samarinda State Polytechnic	Thu, October 6, 2022
Politeknik Negeri Samarinda (POLNES)	

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