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Social Education / Adult Education in Japan: Policies, Practices and Movements during the Past 12 Years -- Analysis and Recommendations --

by Japan Domestic Grass-roots Meeting for CONFINTEA VI (JDGM for CON6)

Hello friends and colleagues!

We are the Japan Domestic Grass-roots Meeting for CONFINTEA VI (JDGM for CON6), a network of various Japanese CSOs (Civil Society Organizations) and individuals involved in adult education, formed in September 2008. We are happy to announce you that our "alternative" national report, Social Education/ Adult Education in Japan: Policies, Practices and Movements during the Past 12 Years -- Analysis and Recommendations is now available!

We wrote this report as "alternative" and partly "supplementary" to the national report of Japan, hoping to let the people in the world know about the real, concrete situations of adult education movement in Japan --- something which, we believe, the national report submitted by the Japanese government is not well equipped for. As you know, UIL's guideline recommends that nationwide dialogues among different stakeholders, including the government and CSOs, should be promoted in the process of making the national report. While some of us asked the government for such opportunities, our wish was not actualized, except that a few meetings among the government and CSOs were held at the very end of the process, in order to exchange opinions about the almost-complete draft of the report, which was prepared solely by the government and had only very little room left for revision or addition based on the inputs from CSOs.

That's why we decided to make 'our own national report', which would properly reflect our thoughts and experiences as CSOs. For the topics and issues included in this report, please see over for the table of contents.

Now the report is downloadable from our website, and *limited number of CD-ROMs are distributed* free of charge at our exhibition stand of CONFINTEA VI!

For those of you who want to have a look at the report NOW, the printed-out version is also exhibited at our booth.

Thank you and 'obrigado' for letting us have an opportunity to share our thoughts and experiences with you here in Belem! If you have any questions, feel free to speak to our members participating FISC and/or CONFINTEA VI.

Sincerely, Japan Domestic Grass-roots Meeting for CONFINTEA VI

Website (there is a link for downloading the report in PDF):

http://prof.mt.tama.hosei.ac.jp/~yarai/JDGMCON6/JDGMCON6en.html

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http://prof.mt.tama.hosei.ac.jp/~yarai/JDGMCON6/JDGMCON6jp.html

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