

◆Name of your Institution : **Addis Ababa University**

◆Country : **Ethiopia**

◆Name of representative : **Girma Lemma**

◆Introduction of your Institutions

The Institute of Educational Research (IER), which had its beginning in 1968 as research, documentation and publication center of the then Faculty of Education; has become an autonomous-full-fledged Institute with a separate administrative structure since 1983 upon the decision of the Addis Ababa University Senate. In order to carry out its activities effectively and efficiently, IER is organized in five major Units and one service, namely: Research Projects Unit; Publications Unit; Testing and Measurement Services Unit; Graduate Program Unit, Library and Documentation Unit, and Administrative service. The institute formed collaborations with various international organizations such as GTZ, USAID, UNDP, UNICEF, UNESCO, SIDA/ SAREC, World Bank, FINNIDA, University of Oslo(Norway), University of Jonsue (Finland), the British Council, and recently founding member of the African Asian Universities Dialogue .The Institute has played decisive roles in coordinating and undertaking educational research works, publications, testing, and training programs on long-and short-term basis. In doing so, the Institute strived to enhance its roles in the University as well as in the whole country with clear vision, mission, goals and objectives.

◆AAD-related research or activities in your institution

Three faculty members from Addis Ababa University Institute of Educational Research conducted research in the area of teacher professional development program in randomly selected primary schools located in the capital. The research team has successfully completed the research work and presented the findings in the conference held at Waseda University Japan and for school teachers and supervisors in Addis. A journal article was produced from this research work and published. A team from Hiroshima University including Professor Kuroda Secretariat of CICE paid a five days visit at Addis Ababa University. A one-day meeting that involved the research teams from AAU and Hiroshima University, Vice president for strategic planning and international affairs at AAU, all IER staffs, MA &PhD students was carried out.

A brief meeting with the president of Addis Ababa University Dr. Admasu Tsegaye and vice president for strategic planning and international relations Dr. Hirut W/Mariam was carried out on the possibility of strengthening this relationship. Professor Yoshida a visiting professor from Hiroshima University stayed in IER and delivered a graduate program course for PhD students.



A visiting professor from the Institute of Educational Research had a visit to University of Dareselam as external examiner of MA theses works in the area of Educational Planning and Administration. A PhD student from Nagoya University stayed and hosted by the Institute of Educational Research for about six months. The PhD candidate had a good time in her stay here in the institute and a working environment was created to facilitate her study.