

ICENET

(International Conflict & Environment Negotiation Network)

DRIVERS FOR ACTIVITIES

Having recognized two major issues of global nature, ICENET was established in Japan to promote international cooperation at various levels, i.e. governments, businesses, private citizens, etc. The issues to be dealt with by ICENET are :

- Deteriorating global environment by inadequate systems that ignore the long-term impacts of human activities.
- Continuing regional conflicts being fought in 35 to 40 separate wars. At least 70 additional conflicts may escalate into major wars in the world.

Japan has become the second economy and the biggest ODA donor in the world. However, articulate voice for the world public is rarely heard from the Japanese politicians or government sectors. We believe that Japanese should actively participate in problem solving thus increasing the levels of international cooperation as the safeguard for the world security and common future for the benefit of all life.

THEORY BASE :

Multi-Track Diplomacy

Governments have often seemed limited in their ability to secure peace and stability. For this, many different groups are motivated to make a creative response. When all the approaches are considered as a system, each part is validated as having a contribution to make the whole with enhanced interrelationships between the parts so that the collective vision can be ultimately realized. (Judy Kramer)

- Government to Government
- NGO's
- Businesses
- Private citizens, etc.

Preventive Diplomacy

Our efforts are focussed on avoiding major obstacles or problems for the benefit of mankind before they become uncontrollable.

PRINCIPLES OF ACTIVITIES

ICENET is a non-government organization of people residing in Japan and willing to cooperate with other international NGO's working towards the same goals.

Activities are based on policies of non-violence, protection of human rights, non-biased or impartial for religions, political factions, nationalities, gender, cultural backgrounds or races.

ACTIVITIES

- Research on regional conflicts and environmental issues in the world
- Information exchange and cooperation with domestic and overseas NGO's
- Education and training on global issues requiring understandings and actions by citizens
- Expressing opinions to the world public to create understandings on global issues
- Assisting mediation and negotiation for conflict resolution
- Participation in international conferences on global issues
- International negotiation for problem solving

ORGANIZATION

Core Members :	International Negotiation Experts (INE) with experiences in international business, negotiation with high-ranking officials or top management officers of business entities
Executive Committee :	Seven members including at least three INE's
Advisory Board :	Scholars, political leaders, journalists and businessmen
Support Members :	Development and human rights NGO's, religious bodies, problem-conscious companies, private citizens, etc.
Secretary :	Across Consultants Co., Ltd.

NETWORKING (ICENET is networking with:)

- International Negotiation Network
- Foundation for Global Community (California, USA)
- Stanford Center for Conflict and Negotiation (California, USA)
- Carter Center (Atlanta, USA)
- International Alert (London, UK)
- Amnesty International (London, UK)
- The Society for Intercultural Education, Training and Research. Conflict Resolution Kenkyuu-kai (Tokyo, Japan)

REFERENCES

Timeline : A bimonthly publication of the Foundation for Global Community
Multi-Track Diplomacy : A Systems Approach to Peace by Louise Diamond, Ph.D., and Ambassador John McDonald