

Preface
to the section on
Corruption: Analysis, Drivers and Remedies

MORIGIWA Yasutomo
Chair, Session on
Understanding and Fighting Corruption

This section deals with the concept and analysis of corruption, and remedies thereto. The papers are presented in order of the level of abstraction. MORIGIWA's "Putting Corruption in Context" deals with the philosophical underpinnings of the nature, drivers of and remedies to corruption, as the subtitle makes clear.

SØREIDE's "Corruption and Competition: Fair Markets as an Anticorruption Device" discusses many of the drivers of corruption and focuses on the model of a fair market as an element for the control of corruption. Complex policy considerations as well as understated differences in conceptualization are pointed out in the course of explaining the nature of and remedies to corruption. Whereas MORIGIWA's paper is philosophical in nature, SØREIDE's is a work of the economist. Whereas the former work tries to provide a bird's eye view of the situation, the latter gives a detailed and subtle analysis of the law and policy involved in the regimentation of the market place.

OKANO, who is a LL.M. student learning and training to gain managerial expertise in development programs, has taken up the analysis of the policy implementation process in Japan of the OECD anti-bribery convention. This gives a hands-on view of how those entrusted with the implementation of the policy and instruments designed to curb corruption can either step on the brakes or the gas pedal, thus compromising or enhancing the use of political power for the attainment of public interest.

Together, the three works should walk the reader through the terrain of

philosophy, economics, politics, public administration and public morality in such a way that they complement each other in providing a fair understanding of the social conditions, situational rationality, and the problematic nature of corruption.