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Regional Crisis Management & Leadership workshop
2st Crisis Simulation workshop
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★Goal and the content of Crisis Simulation workshop

- It is an active learning exercise, where participants will take part in a simulation of a regional crisis that may affect multiple nations in various ways. Participants play as teams for respective country roles, including Japan, China, the US and Taiwan.
- Each team representing a country will decide on various policies and responses, including how to deal with domestic constituents and international community based on their own national priorities and how to meet the ends by negotiating with other nations in bilateral and/or multilateral settings.
- The goal of the exercise is to give participants an appreciation for the complex issues of regional crisis in understanding how each nation would behave based on their national priorities, identifying obstacles and challenges through making of domestic emergency measures, and practicing leadership to come up with best agreed solutions.

★Highlights

- 25 participants (11 non-Japanese, 8 women) were selected through competitive application process, and their backgrounds vary, such as corporate managers, graduate students, government officials, medical doctors, financial experts, lawyer, Navy official, former corporate executive, school administrator, embassy employee, and researcher.
- Participants are from Nepal, the United States, United Kingdom, China, Vietnam, Taiwan, the Philippines, Ghana, Japan, South Korea, and Canada. The more diverse their backgrounds are, the broader perspective and the more quality discussion took place. In particular, participants who have years of working experience and overseas experience, are adding extra values to the richness of the discussions and strategy-building processes.
- The workshop requires high level of English communication skills to negotiate, discuss, and present their ideas. Participants can actively learn practical perspectives of other nations by conducting role-playing exercises.



★Testimonial

The accuracy of the scenario and the diversity of attendees really led to a good representation of what could happen in real life.

The facts that it attracted participants from diverse backgrounds and most importantly that the scenarios given each group were design in manner that made the whole simulation exercise more or less real.

You don't have all the time in the world to make critical decisions sometimes. Also, there is something to be said about the pros/cons of the democratic process and decision-making in general. However, at the same time, it is fascinating to experience how psychology plays a part in everything! Negotiations are all about how you frame a position.

I learned that the advantage of working in teams is a source of generating robust solutions to global challenges/crises. In addition, one other critical take away for me had been the need to remain persuasive and push for a change on a negotiation table where other parties are defiantly in support of a status quo.

Crisis can change on a moment's notice. Always be prepared to be unprepared. Keeping true to your core values and ethics is what will guide you through changes and crisis.

Initially I wanted to learn crisis respond in terms of health care. It was due to a personal drive from working at a hospital many years ago. Pairing real world political issues with a health crisis was great.

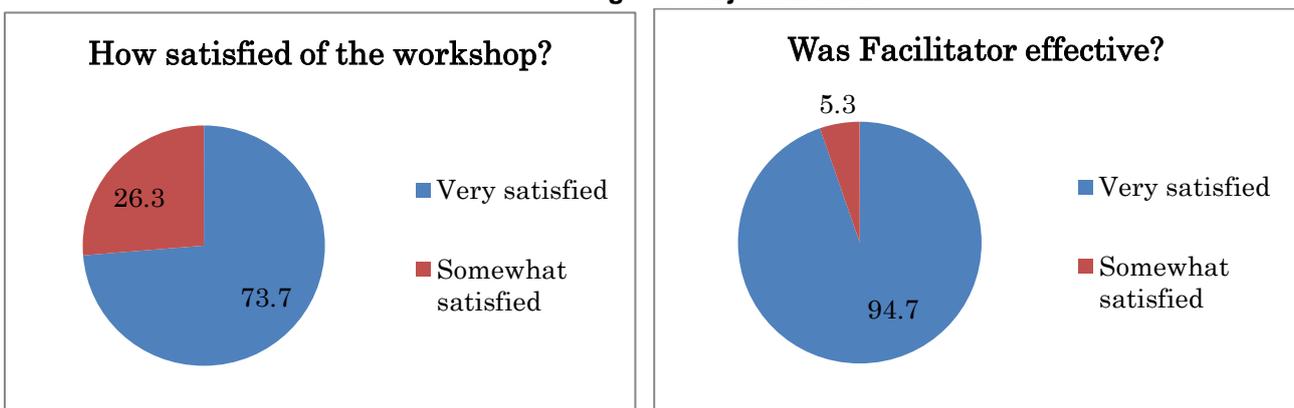
Well done. Great coordination. Great facilitators. I was pleased to see such an openness and willingness to talk about a real world scenario without watering down the contents for political correctness or fear of angering other countries.

It was a great simulation with well thought out scenarios provided. Some of the actions taken in the phases were frightening possible in reality. Format of the whole event cannot be done better. No event logistic hick-ups was a bonus.

A workshop that I will strongly recommend to others to participate and will definitely join again if there is a chance.

★Survey result

How effective were the instructors in articulating the subject matter?



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