

Message from a JCCP Graduate

We are delighted to have received the following message of congratulations from a JCCP graduate on occasion of our 30th anniversary.



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I am honored to be invited to contribute a short message to celebrate JCCP's 30th anniversary.

The first time I heard about JCCP was in 1987. I was one of two members nominated by my company, PETRONAS, to attend the regular course on Essential Petroleum Refining for Process Engineers from 9th June to 3rd July 1987, along with Mr. Sabudin Bidol.

The course was very engaging, offering classroom training, simulation work and plant visits, and the lecturers and trainers were a team of experienced and dedicated professionals who went out of their way to assist us. The members of our group were from Thailand, Indonesia, Algeria, China, Peru and Malaysia—a very good mix of different nationalities and cultures—though I was the only rose amongst the thorns, as is usual in this male-dominated oil industry.

Thankfully, our experience was not all work, as our trainers arranged for us to visit places of interest inside and outside of Tokyo. I was struck by Japan's rich tradition and culture and by the fact that a deep respect for the old traditions still exists despite modernization.

What I learned during the month-long programme definitely helped me in my earlier years as a process engineer at my refinery. Moreover, I learned not only from our JCCP trainers, but also from my fellow classmates. There was a lot of sharing and networking amongst us.

I was delighted to be invited as a guest speaker for the 29th JCCP International Symposium held from 26th to 27th January 2011. Revisiting the JCCP Office in the Sunshine Building was like a trip in nostalgia for me. I felt I had come home!

I wish JCCP many more prosperous and rewarding years to come. Please continue the good work that has touched so many lives and has benefited our careers in so many ways. *Arigato gozaimasu*, and happy 30th anniversary!



Pictures from Ms. Juniwati's participation in a JCCP regular course in 1987