# Brief Report of TT&L WG in AFACT Plenary Tokyo Meeting

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# 1.MeetingTerm and Participants

1) Meeting Term:

7th (Mon.) to 9th (Wed.) November, 2016

2) Participants:

Totally 17 (Taiwan:4, Thailand:1, Japan:12)

3) Venue:

 ARCADIA ICHIGAYA

4) Agenda and Last Meeting Meeting Minutes:

Approved

# 2. SLH International Pilot Project

**1) Project Status**

a. Mr. Shao Huan Chen, III, Taiwan, presented the up-to-date

status of the development of Global-hub system. The system has been completed, except 2 APIs (Member Registration and Member Property Publishing). These 2 APIs need to be amended.

b. Mr. Tunghua Tai, Siloam Travel, Taiwan, showed the reservation APIs developed. Specification of reservation APIs could be available to the members within 2 months.

**2) Some Concerns**

a. The hardware used for the Global-hub is not in operation, which will take a few months before it is in normal state. Chair asked III to shorten the time as best as possible as it will affect the overall schedule of the project tremendously.

b. It is pointed out that the data stored in related DBs should be well synchronized and coming traffic should be well controlled.

c. To complete the reservation APIs in Taiwan there is a need to provide some funding.

d. It is understood well that API design should be standardized to eliminate duplications.

e. We will start talking on the real implementation matters such as funding, getting income, etc. in the near future with new business players.

f. In the future there could be multiple Global-hubs, which will be considered further.

g. SLH International Pilot Project should better be completed as early as possible.

# 3. ToTOP Project of Thailand

There still needs an up-to-date status report on the system development of this project. Chair showed the documents presented by Thailand experts at AFACT Hamamatsu and UN/CEFACT Bangkok meetings.

It could be linked to the Global-hub soon and its related APIs should be open to the participants soon.

# 4. PMS Presentation for SLH

Mr. Takeshi Hayashi and Mr. Samon Miyagi, TAP, Japan presented their software products used as PMSs, among which there is a new product being used as a trial for SLHs.

It is mentioned that this will be provided for the SLH International Pilot Project by installing related APIs.

# 5. DTI Information Process Project

Chair presented the Japanese working results of checking the BRS availability of DTI Project.

a. DTI is structured based on POI (Point of Interest), which has limited capability to show destination travel information.

b. The group confirmed again to complete the project with the participants of AFACT member countries, even though Korean experts, who had been leading the project, are missing the continuity of the work.

c. There was a suggestion to further redefine "POI" for the convenience of users.

d. DTI needs to have standardizations over destination information. Future efforts need to be in place to make up for current insufficiencies of commercial maps.

# 6. Presentation on Group Tour

Mr. Tunghua Tai presented his new business on Group Tour, which could be restructured as new business, and showed his intent to standardize the business processes.

He agrees to keep working for the processes, and TT&L WG will contemplate further this topic whether to make this to be a new standardization project or to integrate into other related project.

# 7. Executive Guides and Green Paper

With the presence of Ms Yuri Saito, UNECE, we talked on the SLH and DTI Executive Guides and Green Paper for Experience Programs based on the relevant draft papers. There were a lot of very appropriate suggestions from her and discussed in detail. Some of these points are described as in the following:

a. Based on the suggestions and discussions the related papers will be redrafted and reviewed again by her. The volume of pages for the Executive Guide should preferably be in one page.

b. As Executive Guide is normally for a project completed, DTI Guide will be checked by the secretary of UNECE whether it is appropriate to provide a guide or not.

c. Green Paper for Experience Programs might be the first trial paper in UN/CEFACT and it would be OK to describe in multiple pages with drawings.

d. She informed that 2017 is the UN year for 'Sustainable Tourism for Development'. And the Green Paper could function well if it could be provided early enough for the event.