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Curriculum Vitae

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Biographical data

Born in: February 1947

Citizenship: Japanese

Education

October 1969: Bachelor of Science, The University of Tokyo (Department of Geography)

Employment History

April 2007-: Special Researcher, NRC Research Institute

2003 to March 2007: Director, Department of Social Rehabilitation/NRC Research Institute

1997 to 2003: Director of the Information Center, Japanese Society for Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities

1996 to 1997: Researcher on DAISY, National Rehabilitation Center for the Disabled

1970 to 1997: Librarian, General Library, The University of Tokyo

1969: Accepted as the first grade government official (Librarianship)

Professional Services

2007-: Chairperson of the DAISY Consortium

2006-: Member of the United Nations Global Alliance for ICT and Development Strategy Council

2003-: WSIS Civil Society Bureau Disability Focal Point

2003-: Project Manager, DAISY for All Project

2003-: Member of the United Nations Working Group, World Blind Union

2002-: Member of JICA Advisory Committee for Asia Pacific Development Center on Disability.

1999-: Steering Committee Member, W3C Web Accessibility Initiative

1996-: Board Member, The DAISY Consortium

2000-2003: Co-chair, United Nations ESCAP Thematic Working Group on Disability-related Concerns, and the Leader of its ICT Task Force

1998-2003: Chairman, Copyright Committee, Disability Concerned National Forum on Broadcasting

1992-2003: Advisory Board Member, Japanese Federation of the Deaf

1990-1995: Chairman, Section of Libraries for the Blind, International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions

1984-2003, 2007- : Standing Committee, Section of Libraries for the Blind, International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions

1977-2003, 2007-: Member, Committee on Library Services to the Handicapped, Japan Library Association