- 1. The National Information Center for Academic Recognition Japan (hereinafter "the Center") is available to answer inquiries through the online contact form on our website. Answers to inquiries are provided primarily to facilitate smooth assessment and recognition of higher education qualification. Inquiries should be related to:
 - the Japanese education system;
 - legitimacy of an educational institution in Japan; or
 - higher education systems in selected countries and regions including
 - the <u>State Parties</u> of the Asia-Pacific Regional Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications in Higher Education (Tokyo Convention), and
 - those for which the National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement in Higher Education (NIAD-QE) has published information on its <u>Information Package</u>.
- 2. The Center is unable to answer inquiries related to:
 - assessment or recognition of an individual's qualification, such as
 - > eligibility to enter a particular educational institution which, instead, should be referred to the institution in question, and
 - > interpretation of an individual's educational record and/or qualification;
 - recognition/approval status of a particular institution which, instead, should be referred to the national information center (NIC) in the relevant country, the education ministry or a quality assurance agency whose contact information can be found in the Foreign Education Systems section (in Japanese only) of our website; and
 - skills training and consequent qualifications.

The Center is also unable to answer inquiries:

- not related to assessment or recognition of qualifications in higher education; and
- other inquiries not related to the inquiries stated in 1 above.
- 3. Other notes to consider.
 - The Center may make a recommendation to contact another organization for assistance as a reply to your inquiry.
 - Each inquiry should contain only one issue. If your inquiry contains multiple issues, please kindly submit separate inquiries using the contact form.

4. Disclaimer

Replies from the Center to inquiries are advisory in purpose and not legally binding. The Center is not liable for any consequences of action taken based on the replies from the Center by the person submitting an inquiry or the party represented by such person.