

**Issues followed up at this
Second Technical Meeting,
Chiba, Japan**

1. **A Regional approach to the recognition of skills and qualifications**

“ There are currently no mechanisms allowing for the entry of unskilled workers to Australia, from anywhere in the world.”

Alexander Downer

CURRENT SITUATION

- Multi-lateral regional agreements
- Bi-lateral agreements
- Individual member State agreements
- International standards setting
- Case-by-case recognition

- ❑ Approaches in other regions:

 - EU

 - NAFTA

 - SADC

- ❑ Advantages of national skill standards and qualifications frameworks

- ❑ Recommendations for further work

- MUTUAL RECOGNITION RESEARCH PROJECT

- GATHER AND COLLATE DATA
- IDENTIFY GOOD PRACTICE

2. Regional Model Competency Standards

- SCOPING PAPER FOR A PILOT PROJECT TO DEVELOP REGIONAL MODEL COMPETENCY STANDARDS TO ASSIST COUNTRIES BEGINNING TO REFORM THEIR TRAINING SYSTEMS

3. National Qualifications Frameworks

- ❑ Study the National Qualifications Frameworks in the region
- ❑ Identify the essential features and guiding principles of those national qualifications frameworks
- ❑ Identify how those features and principles have been adapted to suit individual country requirements