

*Supplementary Report on the Periodic Review
of the Japan Accreditation Board for Engineering Educa-
tion (JABEE) under the Washington Accord*

*(This report to be read in conjunction with the Report of the Visiting Team
dated 11 March 2013)*

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1 JABEE DECISION MEETING

The Decision Making meeting took place over two days in March 2013. The Examination and Accreditation Coordination Committee of the JABEE convened the meeting.

The first part of the first day was devoted to ensuring that the Decision Making committee is fully appraised of the rules and procedures, which are carefully explained and discussed. This is done to ensure that all the debate and the final decisions are as uniform as possible across all programmes.

Thereafter, the remainder of the two days is spent on discussing the reports of the Examination Teams. These reports are verbally presented with emphasis on the recommendations of the Teams.

The Periodic review Team was impressed with the level of debate around ensuring that the decisions are fair and uniform across all programmes being considered. In particular, in this case one of the programmes was reconsidered on the second day based on decision reached subsequent to its original consideration on day 1.

The Periodic Review Committee noted in particular the following:

- The meeting is run in a spirit of cooperation.
- Rules and policies are carefully and methodically explained to all present.
- Each programme is discussed individually, with each decision for each programme being discussed.
- The committee takes care to compare the basis for each decision against decisions made in other programmes.
- The committee does not hesitate to revisit previous decisions based on later discussion.

As such, the Periodic Review Committee is of the opinion that this process is comparable to that applicable to other accredited programmes.