

## Plan for IP school in Japan

ATRIP Annual Congress 6-8th Oct. 2002

Professor Katsuya Tamai Department of Intellectual Property Research Center for Advanced Science and Technology The University of Tokyo



### Agenda

- Why do we need IP school now?
- What is our IP school like?
- How will we achieve our plan?



### Agenda

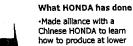
- Why do we need IP school now?
  - What is our IP school like?
  - How will we achieve our plan?



# IP has become critical for Japan to survive-1

#### - WYE

- A Chinese "HONDA"
- Produces automobiles copying from HONDA
- •Much cheaper than HONDA (about haif)
- •Quality is much lower than HONDA, but matches Chinese standard



cost

- ·Built JV company in China
- •Begins to import automobiles made in China as a real HONDA brand at a cheap price

We are afraid that Japan would lose against China by products even in competitive areas. Only chances seem to be in advanced ideas and brand

# IP has become critical for Japan to survive-2

#### Reality in industry

Existing companies:

Impossible to keep "in-house" production

Venture business.

Should divide technology and sell each divided tech to expand business and to get fund

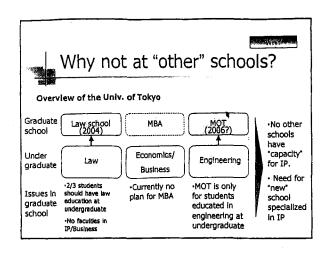
Both:

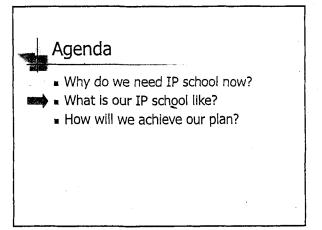
Need to think how to be marketed in China

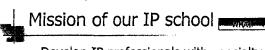
#### Implication

- Technology should be changed into IPR when companies need to cope with production "beyond in-house" and marketing in China
- •Those who can create business plan with IP perspective are strongly and urgently needed

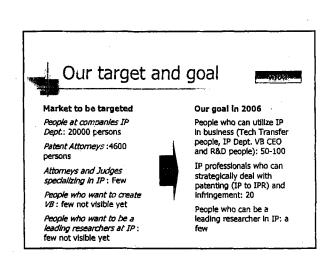
#### But few IP professionals in Japan as of today Process towards industry expansion through tech R&D IP to IPR > Business Xnfrlngeme People at Patent Companies' Only 1% of Current R&D tend to 20000 attorneys do patent dept. just patenting without just focus on don't create attornevs R&D without understand IP business plan thinking knowledge on Few VB know marketing, other how to utilize even IP processes Because IP people in Japan are only focused on "their" process and don't know total process, industry expansion can not be expected

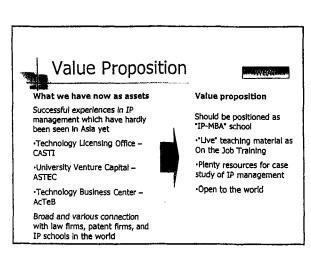


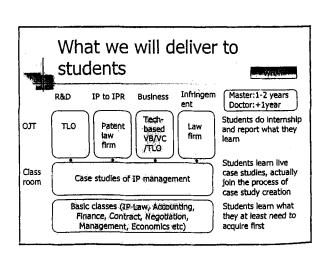




- Develop IP professionals with specialty in one process among R&D, IP to IPR, Business and Infringement and with understanding total process
- Become the most competitive IP school in Asia









- Why do we need IP school now?
- What is our IP school like?
- How will we achieve our plan?



## Niche-Global Strategy



- Niche: In order to keep school's quality, should target only those who really want to study IP even if they themselves should pay
- Global: Unless we become competitive not only in Japan but globally, we can not survive even in Japan in this IT age

# Preparation for IP school



### Trial classes

Date

Start in Nov. 2002

Schedule

3 times a week

Class overview 1: Basic IP classes for general (up to 50)

2: IP law courses for patent attorneys

3: IP law courses for students

Purpose

To establish the contents of 6-7 classes per one semester before opening in

April, 2004



### **Bottlenecks**

41000

- Contents
  - How to acquire good faculties...not exist yet
  - How to create case studies of IP management which have not yet established anywhere
- Environment
  - No idea on how universities could be reformed after 2004
    - may be forced to set really "cheap" fee by Government...
    - may not be allowed to set flexible salary system to faculties...