

iNARTE Expands Its Influence in Asia

As part of **iNARTE's** five-year business plan, the strategy of expanding our existing certification programs was welcomed by the Board of Directors, many of whom have experienced a business upsurge coming from the international markets and have also made valuable contacts in these markets. Some of the better opportunities were considered to be found in China, India, Taiwan and Korea.

Encouraged by the Board's enthusiasm for Asian opportunities, and as a result of a number of direct contacts already received from Asia, Brian Lawrence recently completed a visit to China where he was able to attend the Beijing EMC 2007 Symposium. At this symposium contact was made with interested partners in both China and Korea.

As a result of meetings and discussions during this visit, **iNARTE** has received applications from the following institutes who wish to provide their services as an **iNARTE** Authorized Test Center:

Southeastern University, Nanjing (SEU)
 Beijing Municipal Labour Protection Institute (BMLPI)
 Beijing HJH Science and Technology Company Ltd. (BHJH)
 The EMC Center, Korea Radio Awareness Promotion Association (RAPA)

Of the above four parties, SEU, BHJH and RAPA have all provided copies of their training programs to **iNARTE** with the result that we will issue Certificates to each as Approved **iNARTE** Training Centers.

SEU is in the process of building a vast new campus adjacent to the Nanjing International Airport. The campus will include residential centers for students and guests to use. This will enable engineers and technicians from the larger surrounding areas to stay at the university for several days while they train, prepare and finally take the **iNARTE** EMC Certification Examination. SEU has volunteered to take responsibility for the registration of all applicants, the collection of fees and the processing of

documentation between the applicants and **iNARTE's** offices. It is hoped that the first candidates will complete their **iNARTE** Examination during October or November 2007.

Dr. Huang, the president and owner of BHJH is a NARTE Certified ESD Engineer. His company provides speciality test equipment, advice and training to both companies and individuals in the field of ESD. BHJH operates an ESD Center as part of the BMLPI complex (an institute similar to OSHA). BHJH has provided their ESD training materials to **iNARTE** and they will be proctoring ESD examinations using the BMLPI facilities in Beijing. It is the intention of BHJH to find other test venues that meet **iNARTE's** requirements in at least two other technology centers in Shanghai and Guangzhou. BHJH is scheduling their first **iNARTE** training and tests for October 2007.

The EMC Center at RAPA in Korea already offers very extensive EMC Training Courses to individuals and companies throughout Korea. The individuals targeted for training match the target group for **iNARTE** Certification in that the goal of RAPA is the continuing professional development of experienced EMC Engineers. RAPA has provided evidence enabling them to be an Authorized Test Center, and **iNARTE** has now had the opportunity to study their training materials and will certify them as an approved training center for EMC. In the future RAPA will offer a four- or five-day program to all interested individuals which will include a three- to four-day program of training and examination preparation followed on the fifth day by **iNARTE** Certification Examinations. Once again the schedule developed by RAPA hopes to see the first certification applicants taking EMC Examinations before the end of 2007.

In July, Brian visited Singapore for meetings with:

EEM Advancement Centre Pte. Ltd.
 Nanyang Polytechnic
 Nanyang Technical University
 Institute for High Power Computing

All the above contacts have well-developed EMC training programs already in place and are interested in attracting applicants for training and certification from Singapore and the surrounding countries.