## **New officer at Secretariat**

The Research and Planning Department of the APO Secretariat gained a new program officer when Masaya Amau took up the post starting 15 December 2008. With a Bachelor of Law degree from Keio University and an MBA from Hitotsubashi University, Amau has had significant experience in the private financial sector in areas such as SME financing. During his MBA course, he



was seconded to the Asian Development Bank in Manila as an intern and researched microfinancing in Bangladesh. He enjoys jogging with his wife in his spare time. In his work at the Secretariat, he looks forward to contributing to the in-depth research on emerging issues affecting productivity, especially from the perspective of service-sector expansion.