

## **APO Secretariat welcomes new officer**

The APO Secretariat has a new Agriculture Program Officer, Mr. Joselito Cruz Bernardo, who joined the organization on 12 November 2004.



Bernardo hails from the Philippines, where he was a Director in the National Economic and Development Authority and concurrently Deputy Head of the Philippine Council for Sustainable Development Secretariat before joining the APO. He has considerable experience in various facets of development work, including agricultural development, sustainable development, development planning, project development, policy analysis, participatory rural planning and appraisal, and human resources development.

Bernardo graduated from the University of the Philippines at Los Bano, Laguna, with a master's degree in agribusiness management. He also attended a postgraduate program on development studies in agriculture and rural development at the Institute of Social Studies, the Netherlands. He is married and has three children.