

INTRODUCTION TO THE ENGLISH

LANGUAGE VERSION OF THE REPORT

The English language version of this Report is written on the basic that Reader is familiar with the Indonesian Vocational Education system and the structures And institutions involved. It therefore uses the acronyms and abbreviations which are Commonly used in Indonesia education systems and terms, these notes describe the main elements of the Systems and Institutions to which the Report refers.

The education system in Indonesia has the following components. There is a six-Year system of primary education. This followed by three-years of junior secondary Education. Up to this level education is compulsory. Upper secondary education is Delivered in two types of institutions. The academic stream is delivered through SMU, Formerly called SMA. The alternative to the academic stream is technical/vocational Stream, delivered through institutions which are collectively known as SMKs. However Individual SMKs specialize in particular areas and are known by their specialist titles.

The two largest groups of SMKs deal with business studies/economics also Known as SMEAs, and with the metal/automotive/building areas which are known as STMs. SMEAs, comprise 50 per cent and STMs 38 percent of all SMK