

<b>Sub-Program</b>	<b>1. Enhancement of Governance</b>
<b>Component</b>	<b>1-3. Finance, Economics, and Industrial Promotion</b>
<b>Accepting University (Number of Scholars)</b>	<p><b>Yamaguchi University (2)</b>  Graduate School of Economics  Public Administration Program  - Master of Economics (with certificate of completion of Public Administration Program)</p> <p><b>Rikkyo University (2)</b>  Graduate School of Business  Master of International Business Program, Master of Public Management and Administration (MPMA) Course  - Master of Public Management and Administration</p>
<b>Expected Research Area</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fiscal Policy</li> <li>- Public Fiscal Management</li> <li>- Monetary Policy</li> <li>- Debt Management</li> <li>- Economic Policy</li> <li>- International Economy</li> <li>- Industrial Promotion Policy</li> </ul>
<b>Purpose of the Study (Background and Needs):</b>	
<p>The Lao PDR's "the 9th National Socio-Economic Development Plan" (2021-2025) identifies improving macroeconomic stabilization mechanisms and strengthening financial planning as important items. However, the Lao PDR's GDP growth rate has slowed down in recent years, and the public debt balance exceeds 60% of GDP, making fiscal consolidation, including public debt management, public investment management and annual government revenue/expenditure management, an urgent issue.</p>	