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## We came, We presented, We won

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[This is a brief report on the prize we awarded at “the University Venture Grand Prix 2013” held in Okuma Hall of Waseda University, Tokyo, on December 22, 2013]

Julius Caesar wrote "I came, I saw, I conquered" in his diary “*Commentarii de Bello Gallico*”. My impression in mind when I came back from Tokyo very late in night was similar to this famous golden saying. Then, I sent a mail to all of my team to congratulate them with my message based on this saying, that is "We came, We presented, We won".

Our team "CODDRESS" based on an IPC student idea[1] was selected one of the top 9 from applications more than 100 and we went to Tokyo for the final competition [2] organized by ministry METI, our ministry MEXT, US-Japan Council etc. shown at

<http://www.meti.go.jp/press/2013/12/20131217001/20131217001.html>

We were awarded the second best prize "TOMODACHI" prize given by US-Japan Council, US Embassy. This prize is supported financially by many Japan and US companies as you see:

<http://usjapantomodachi.org/about-us/donors/>

The US Embassy invites four graduate and undergraduate students of my team to Silicon Valley in March. All expense is supported by US Embassy. The web-site of the Council

<http://usjapantomodachi.org/2013/12/10364/>

says that "The winning teams selected will have the opportunity to go to Silicon Valley, California to present their ideas to American venture capitals and influential startups such as Y Combinator, 500 startups, DCM, and Draper Fisher Jurvetson [3] in March 2014."

It was an amazing Christmas present to us, isn't it?

### References

- [1] IPC: the International Physics Course, Osaka University:  
<http://www.rcnp.osaka-u.ac.jp/~IPC/>
- [2] University Venture Grand Prix 2013: <http://www.jeenet.jp/>
- [3] For example, 500 Startups: <http://500.co/about/>



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## ビジネスプランコンテスト全国大会 2013

開催日時：2013年12月22日(日) 13:00~(コンテスト等) 18:10~(懇親会)

開催場所：早稲田大学 大隈記念講堂 小講堂

プラン受付：11月15日(金) 一般参加申込締切：12月19日(木)

- 主催：大学・大学院起業家教育推進ネットワーク / 経済産業省
- 共催：早稲田大学アントレプレナーズ研究会 (伊エリ) / 文部科学省 / US-Japan カウンシル / TOMODACHI イニシアティブ / 一般社団法人東京コミュニケーションズ協会の会 (NPO)
- 協賛：新日本経済産業協会 / 株式会社ベネッセコーポレーション

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