

## Special Feature

# 2012 Northeast Asia International Conference for Economic Development (NICE) in Niigata

7-8 February 2012

Snow Hall, 2F, Toki Messe Niigata International Convention Center

### Organizers

Northeast Asia International Conference for Economic Development Executive Committee  
(Niigata Prefecture; City of Niigata; ERINA)

### Participants

Approximately 370 persons

## Program

### ■ Opening Session: *The Dynamism of Northeast Asia*

*7 February, 13:30 to 15:30 [Snow Hall]*

□ Welcome Addresses

IZUMIDA, Hirohiko                      Governor of Niigata Prefecture

SHINODA, Akira                         Mayor, City of Niigata

□ Guest's Opening Addresses

TAKAGI, Seiji                             Director, Northeast Asia Division, Trade Policy Bureau, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Japan

KASAI, Tatsuhiko                       Director, Japan-Russia Economic Affairs Division, European Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan

□ Keynote Addresses

*The Future of East Asia and the Importance of the Japan Sea Rim Economy Concept*

MIYAMOTO, Yuji                         Head, Miyamoto Asia Research Institute and Former Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the People's Republic of China

*Russia's Approach to the Asia-Pacific Region and the Role of the Russian Far East*

SHURUBURIN, Alexander             Director, APEC Meetings Department, Russian APEC Study Center, RF

### ■ Session A: *The Developing Chinese Economy and Northeast Asia*

*7 February, 15:45 to 17:45 [Snow Hall]*

□ Reports

MU, Yaoqian                             Research Fellow, Research Division, ERINA

ARAI, Hirofumi                         Senior Research Fellow, Research Division, ERINA

Sh. Enkhbayar                         Senior Research Fellow, Research Division, ERINA

ZHU, Yonghao                         Research Fellow, Research Division, ERINA

MIMURA, Mitsuhiro                   Director, Research Division, ERINA

□ Moderator

MIMURA, Mitsuhiro                   Director, Research Division, ERINA

### ■ Special Session: *The TPP and Northeast Asia*

*7 February, 15:45 to 17:45 [Conference Room 201]*

□ Panel Members

KANEKO, Tomohiro                   Director, International Economic Affairs Division, Trade Policy Bureau, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Japan

WATANABE, Yorituzumi             Professor, Faculty of Policy Management, Keio University

KIM, Bong-Gil                         Professor, Faculty of Economics, University of Toyama and Collaborative Researcher, ERINA

□ Commentator

IKEMA, Makoto                         Professor Emeritus, Hitotsubashi University

□ Moderator

NAKAJIMA, Tomoyoshi               Senior Research Fellow, Research Division, ERINA

■ **Session B: Japan-China Economic Relations**

8 February , 9:45 to 11:45 [Snow Hall]

- Reports
  - LU, Kejian Economic and Commercial Counselor, Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Japan
  - ZHU, Yan Professor, Faculty of Political Science and Economics, Takushoku University
  - DAI, Erbiao Research Associate Professor, The International Centre for the Study of East Asian Development (ICSEAD)
  - MU, Yaoqian Research Fellow, Research Division, ERINA
- Moderator
  - NAKAMURA, Toshihiko Director, Planning & PR Division, ERINA

■ **Session C: Distribution and Transportation [Jointly organized with KOTI]**

8 February , 13:15 to 15:15 [Snow Hall]

- Keynote Report
  - AHN, Byung-Min Head, Center for Northeast Asia and North Korea Transport Studies, The Korea Transport Institute (KOTI)
- Reports
  - KRECHETOVA, Varvara Program Officer, Tumen Secretariat, Greater Tumen Initiative, UNDP
  - FENG, Yun Senior Engineer, Transport Planning and Research Institute, Ministry of Transport, PRC
  - ZHU, Yonghao Research Fellow, Research Division, ERINA
- Commentators
  - KAYAHARA, Hideo Honorary Chairman, Japan Ports and Harbours Association and Member of the Board of Councilors, ERINA
  - SEMENIKHIN, Yaroslav General Director, Far Eastern Marine Research, Design and Technology Institute (FEMRI), RF
- Moderators
  - AHN, Byung-Min Head, Center for Northeast Asia and North Korea Transport Studies, KOTI
  - ARAI, Hirofumi Senior Research Fellow, Research Division, ERINA

■ **Summarizing Session: Future Northeast Asian Economic Cooperation and Financial Assistance**

8 February , 15:30 to 17:30 [Snow Hall]

- Reports
  - SUGIMOTO, Tadashi Deputy Director-General, ERINA
  - KITA, Yoshiyuki Deputy Director General, Rare Metals Stockpile Department, Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation (JOGMEC)
  - MATSUOKA, Katsutake Resident Representative in Japan, Foreign Investment and Foreign Trade Agency of Mongolia
  - CYHN, Jin Principal Economist, Regional Cooperation and Operations Coordination Division, Southeast Asia Department, Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- Moderators
  - SUGIMOTO, Tadashi Deputy Director-General, ERINA

■ **Closing Remarks**

8 February , 17:30 to 17:40 [Snow Hall]

- NISHIMURA, Yoshiaki Chairperson, Northeast Asia International Conference for Economic Development Executive Committee and Representative Director, ERINA

This feature has been compiled on the basis of recordings of the proceedings at the 2012 Northeast Asia International Conference for Economic Development in Niigata and various written materials, and the responsibility for the wording lies with ERINA. The People's Republic of China is referred to as China, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea as the DPRK, the Republic of Korea as the ROK, and the Russian Federation as Russia. The Japan Sea is known as the East Sea in the DPRK and the ROK; which name is used for it in this feature depends on the version used by the relevant speakers, as transcribed from recordings of the conference.