

## Special Feature

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### Participants

350 persons (of which approximately 260 Japanese persons and approximately 90 persons from other countries)

## Program

### **Opening and Keynote Addresses**

*16 February (Monday), 15:00 to 17:30, Snow Hall (B), 2F Toki Messe*

Welcome Addresses

MORI, Kunio Vice Governor, Niigata Prefecture, Japan

SHINODA, Akira Mayor, City of Niigata, Japan

Congratulatory Address

STEPASHIN, Sergei Chairman, Russian-Japanese Business Council

*Read by:*

KULAKOV, Vasilii Consul General, Consulate General of the Russian Federation in Niigata

Guest Opening Address

KURODA, Atsuo Deputy Director-General for Trade Policy, Trade Policy Bureau,  
Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Japan

Keynote Addresses: "Northeast Asia's New Era"

These consider the economic situation within the region and the shape of cooperation, based on the impact of the recent global financial crisis, for "Northeast Asia's New Era" which is approaching a qualitative turning point.

### The Long-Term Strategy for the Development of Russia and the Far Eastern Region

ISHAEV, Victor Chairman, Interregional Association of Economic Coordination "Far East and Zabaikalie"  
Governor, Khabarovsk Krai, RF

### A New Stage for Northeast Asian Cooperation

ZHANG, Yunling Director, Academic Division of International Studies,  
Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, China

### How to Construct an East Asian Community and the Northeast Asian Economic Subregion?

AMAKO, Satoshi Professor, Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies, Waseda University, Japan

### **Session A: Approaches toward Cooperation on Energy-Conservation in Northeast Asia**

*17 February (Tuesday), 9:00 to 12:00, Conference Room 301, Toki Messe*

Transcends the schema of producing countries versus consuming countries, and aims at proposals for multilateral cooperation in energy conservation, which holds the promise of a major synergistic effect.

Keynote Report

LYNCH, Michael President, Strategic Energy & Economic Research Inc. (SEER), USA

*Read and chaired by:*

ITOH, Shoichi	Associate Senior Researcher, Research Division, ERINA
Panel Members	
LI, Zhidong	Professor, Nagaoka University of Technology, Japan Visiting Researcher, Energy Research Institute, National Development and Reform Commission, China
HONGO, Takashi	Head, Environment Finance Development Department, Japan Bank for International Cooperation, Japan Finance Corporation
YOO, Seung-Jick	Senior Research Fellow, Climate Change Research Department, Energy Policy Research Group, Korean Energy Economics Institute (KEEI), ROK
GROMOV, Alexey	Deputy General Director, State Institute for Energy Strategy, RF
A. Tsogt	Senior Officer Responsible for Heating Supply, Ministry of Minerals and Energy, Mongolia

**Session B: Northeast Asian Food Security***17 February (Tuesday), 9:00 to 12:00, Conference Room 302, Toki Messe*

Toward the formation of international food industry clusters, and based on the state of affairs in each country ascertained last year, we will undertake discussion including a perspective on food security.

## Keynote Reports

BOJAR, Ewa	Dean, Faculty of Management, Head, Department of Economics and Management, Lublin University of Technology, Poland
SAITO, Osamu	Professor, Graduate School of Horticulture, Chiba University, Japan
Research Reports	
KIMINAMI, Lily	Professor, Faculty of Agriculture, Niigata University, Japan
LEE, Byung-Oh	Professor, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Kangwon National University, ROK
MORISHIMA, Teruya	Senior Researcher, Farm Management Research Team (Hokkaido Region), National Agricultural Research Center for Hokkaido Region, National Agriculture and Food Research Organization, Japan
Chaired by:	
NAKAMURA, Toshihiko	Director, Research Division, ERINA

**Session C: Schemes for Northeast Asian Environmental Cooperation in the Post-Kyoto Protocol Period***17 February (Tuesday), 13:00 to 16:00, Conference Room 301, Toki Messe*

Explores the cooperation schemes within the region for the Post-Kyoto Protocol period, such as the reduction of greenhouse gases, based on the effectiveness of the Kyoto Protocol Mechanisms in each country of Northeast Asia and their Post-Kyoto Protocol policy directions.

## Moderator

SUZUKI, Masachika	Assistant Professor, Graduate School of International Management, International University of Japan
Panel Members	
ZHENG, Shuang	Associate Professor, Energy Research Institute, National Development and Reform Commission, China
TULINOV, Sergey	Special Assistant to the Head, Russian Federal Service for Hydrometeorology and Environmental Monitoring (Roshydromet), Ministry of Natural Resources and Ecology, RF
JOO, Young-Keun	Project Coordinator, Carbon Market Department, Korea Energy Management Corporation, ROK
Ts. Adiyasuren	President, Environmental Education and Research, Institute ECO ASIA, Mongolia
KATO, Makoto	Senior Researcher, Overseas Environmental Cooperation Center (OECC), Japan
Special Report and Chair	
Sh. Enkhbayar	Associate Senior Researcher, Research Division, ERINA

**Session D: Seamless Distribution in Northeast Asia** 17 February (Tuesday), 13:00 to 16:00, Conference Room 302, Toki Messe

We will gain an understanding of the state of affairs of each country's initiatives toward rendering seamless Northeast Asian intraregional distribution, and the concerned parties will discuss the issues that should be tackled in the future.

**Moderator**

KAYAHARA, Hideo Chairman, Japan Port and Harbour Association  
Counselor, ERINA

**Reports (Part 1): Current Situation and Prospects of the "Suifenhe Transportation Corridor" and the "Tumen Transportation Corridor"**

L. Purevbaatar Deputy Chairman, Mongolian Railway Authority, Mongolia  
CUI, Jun Deputy Director, Tumen River Area Development Administration of the People's Government of Jilin Province, China

**Read by:**

CAI, Xuyang Director, International Cooperation Division, Tumen River Area Development Administration of the People's Government of Jilin Province, China

GORCHAKOV, Victor Chairman, Primorsky Krai Assembly, RF

**Read by:**

ZUBKO, Andrey President, Northeast Asia Ferry Co., Ltd., ROK,  
BAEG, Seong-Ho Chairman, Pan Korea Line Corporation, ROK

**Reports (Part 2): Initiatives for International Cooperation**

TAKAHASHI, Naoto Director, Distribution and Logistics Policy Division, Commerce and Distribution Policy Group, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Japan

AHN, Byung-Min Director, Center for Northeast Asia and North Korea Transport Studies, Korea Transport Institute, ROK

YACHEISTOVA, Nataliya Director, Greater Tumen Initiative / UNDP Secretariat

**Read by:**

CHO, Daehyun Programme Officer, Greater Tumen Initiative / UNDP Secretariat

**Chaired by**

ARAI, Hirofumi Deputy Director, Research Division, ERINA

**Summaries and Proposals**

17 February (Tuesday), 16:15 to 17:15, Conference Room 201, Toki Messe

**Session Reports and Proposals****Session A:**

ITOH, Shoichi Associate Senior Researcher, Research Division, ERINA

**Session B:**

NAKAMURA, Toshihiko Director, Research Division, ERINA

**Session C:**

SUZUKI, Masachika Assistant Professor, Graduate School of International Management, International University of Japan

**Session D:**

KAYAHARA, Hideo Chairman, Japan Port and Harbour Association  
Counselor, ERINA

**Summarizing Comments**

YOSHIDA, Susumu Chairperson, Northeast Asia International Conference for Economic Development Executive Committee  
Chairman of the Board of Trustees, ERINA

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