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1. First Call for Papers— the 22th Annual Meeting

The 22th Annual Meeting will be organized under the direction of Prof. Shuji Koiso and Assistant Prof. Tohru Naito of Kushiro Public University of Economics, who head the organizing committee. Pertinent information is summarized below.

Dates: November 15 & 16, 2008

Place: Kushiro Public University of Economics (Hokkaido prefecture, Japan)

Deadline for Application: August 15, 2008

Submission of Full-paper: October 15, 2008

(Details will be informed on the next newsletter and home page of ARSC.)

2. Sakashita Prize

Yasuhiro Sato (Nagoya University) was honored as a Sakashita Prize winner of 2007 in the 21th annual meeting of ARSC 2007.

The committee for the selection of 2007 Sakashita Prize winner was formed under the chairmanship of Professor Komei Sasaki (Tohoku University), and the committee selected Mr. Yasuhiro Sato as the prize winner..

3. Election of Management Committee Members for 2008-2009

According to the Article 6 of the ARSC Chapter, the election of Management Committee

Members for the term beginning in April 2008 and ending in March 2010 will be held under the Election Administration Committee. Takayuki Ueda (Tokyo Univ.) and Yoshihisa Asada (Nihon Univ.) have been appointed as members to this committee by the President Kiyoshi Kobayashi.

Voting will be done by secret ballot. Three names are to be written on an enclosed card and returned to the address as shown on the card. The deadline for voting is March 25, 2008. The ballot is valid if postmarked on the mentioned date or before.

4. New and Withdrawn Members

The 2007 general meeting has approved the following persons, who applied for admission to the ARSC, during the period between the general meetings in December 2006, as the new members of the Conference.

(1) Full Member (10persons)

Shinya Kurauchi(Ehime Univ.),Hiroyuki Shimamoto(CTI engineering Co.,Ltd),Akiyoshi Hurukawa(Chukyo Univ.),Miyoshi Shimamoto(Mito Kogyo Co.,Ltd),Shinich Hirata(The Inst. of Behavioral Sciences), Ryuji Kutsuzawa(Osaka Univ.),Kei Harano(Housing Research & Advancement Foundation of Japan),Motonari Hayashida(Central Research Inst. of Electric Power Industry),Takashi Oka(Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting Co.,Ltd),Tomoyuki Sakamoto(Institute of Energy Economics, Japan),

(2) Student Members (9 persons)

Maki Kato (Tohoku Univ.) ,Yusuke Kuroki (Kyusyu Univ.) ,Kentaro Nakajima(Tokyo Univ.),Hayato Nagase(Hosei Univ.)、 Hisamitsu Saito(Oregon State Univ.),Katsuhito Nohara (Tohoku Univ.) ,Kazunori Nakjima (Tohoku Univ.) ,Xuan Chao (Okayama Univ.) ,Shunsaku Konishi(Univ. of Tsukuba)

(3) Corporate Members (1organization)

Chuo Fukken Consultants Co.,Ltd

(4) Due to requests (9 persons, 2 organization)

Rikuo Katsumata(Maeda Corporation),Isamu Matsukawa(Musashi Univ.),Shunji Miyazawa (Gihu Univ.) ,Takao Nishimura(Obirin Univ.),Michitaka Tamayose(Nansei Shoto Industry Advancement Center),Akira Yamauchi(Onomichi Univ.),Toshimichi Yamauchi(Ehime Univ.), Keiko Takanashi (Sogokeikaku) ,Hiroshi Tomori(Okinawa Univ.)

Development Bank of Japan, Oriental Consultants Co.,Ltd

As of December 8, 2007, the ARSC has 452 individual members make up of 388 in the full membership ; 54 in the student membership ; 8 in the overseas membership. In addition, we have 13 corporate members who subscribe 18 shares in sum.

5. Membership Fees for Fiscal 2008

The bills produced from our membership database are enclosed. Please pay the amount due shown on the bill.

(1) ARSC Membership Fees

The ARSC membership fee for 2008 will be \$80 for those who subscribe to the ARSC Journal and \$60 for those who do not. In case you pay in Japanese yen, fees will be 10,000 and 7,500 yen, respectively. If you want to cancel your subscription of the ARSC Journal, you will pay \$60 for 2008 instead of \$80 shown on the bill. If you have some unpaid fees in the past, those fees are added to the amount due. In case you have some questions over the amount shown, please feel free to contact the Secretariat, preferably by e-mail.

(2) RSAI Membership Fees

The RSAI membership fee for 2008 will be as below.

Full-members who pay 65\$ (if student 32\$) membership fee will receive:

- The printed (hard) copy of PiRS(Papers in Regional Science).
- Reduced rate subscriptions to other Blackwell journals, including Journal of Regional Science, along with contact details for the relevant publishers.
- Access to RSAI Website
- Newsletter (printed version)
- Reduced rates at RSAI conferences
- Access to list of members

Full-members who pay 13\$ (if student 10\$) membership fee will receive:

- Electronic copy of PiRS(Papers in Regional Science).
- Reduced rate subscriptions to other Blackwell journals, including Journal of Regional Science, along with contact details for the relevant publishers.
- Access to RSAI Website
- Newsletter (printed version)
- Reduced rates at RSAI conferences
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(3) Methods of Payment

Many of our foreign members used to pay their dues in the form of Remittance Cheques drawn on your local bank. The problem with these cheques is the commissions the Japanese banks charge on cashing them. Those commissions will differ from one country to another where the originating bank is located.

Thus we would like to ask you to consider either of the following payment methods.

a) Personal checks in U.S. dollars drawn on U.S. banks, if you maintain a checking account with them, or

b) Postal money order in Japanese yen or U.S. dollars if you do not have an account with a U.S. bank. The international postal money orders (Mandat de Poste International) are

available in most countries where our members reside. However, in some cases, the service may not be available in smaller post offices. The denomination of money orders will be determined by the combination of the recipient and originating countries. When the money orders are addressed to Japan, they are likely to carry the denominations in Japanese yen. Ask your local post office for details, but the service charges are generally lower than with bank.