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1. ARSC Vice President Election

In accordance with the ARSC Charter, Prof. Tabuchi's office term as the President will expire on March 31, 2011, and Prof. Tatsuaki Kuroda, the present Vice-President, will immediately succeed the Presidency. Thus it is necessary to elect the new Vice-President of the Conference.

Following the provisions of Article 7 and the Election Bylaws II in the Charter, the following three candidates for the Vice-President have been nominated by the Managing Committee. (Listed in the alphabetical order of their family names.)

Kaiyama, Michihiro	(Yamagata University)
Mun, Se-II	(Kyoto University)
Nakamura, Ryohei	(Okayama University)

Names of these candidates are printed on an enclosed ballot. Please check an adequate box provided on the card and return to the address shown on the card as soon as possible. The ballot box will be closed on March 5, 2011. (If you vote from abroad, please affix airmail stamps.)

Although the Election Bylaws II does not explicitly require the Election Administration Committee for the vice-presidential elections, we have requested Takaaki Takahashi, The University of Tokyo, and Mizuki Kawabata, The University of Tokyo, to oversee the election procedure for esteeming neutrality.

As Article 7 of the Charter forbids the reelection of former Presidents, former and present Presidents as well as the present Vice-President are excluded from the nomination. The Vice-President, to be appointed by this election, is scheduled to serve as the President from April

2013 to the end of March 2015.

2. Sakashita Prize

Hikaru Ogawa (Nagoya University) was honored as a Sakashita Prize winner of 2010 on the 24th annual meeting of ARSC 2010

The committee for the selection of 2010 Sakashita Prize winner was formed under the chairmanship of Professor Yoshitsugu Kanemoto(The University of Tokyo), and the committee selected Mr. Hikaru Ogawa as the prize winner..

3. First Call for Papers — the 25th Annual Meeting

The 25th Annual Meeting will be organized under the direction of Prof. Shinichiro Iwata of Toyama University, who head the organizing committee. Pertinent information is summarized below.

Dates: December 3- 4, 2011

Venue: Toyama University (Toyama city, Japan)

Deadline for Application: September 15, 2011

Submission of Full-paper: November15, 2011

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

4. First Call for Papers — the 2nd Asian Seminar in Regional Science

Pertinent information for the 2nd Asian Seminar in Regional Science is summarized below.

Dates: October 1-2, 2011

Venue: Tohoku University (Sendai city, Japan)

Deadline for Application: May 31, 2011

Submission for Full-paper: August 31, 2011

(Details will be informed on the home page of ARSC and by e-mail letter.)

5. New and Withdrawn Members

The 2010 general meeting has approved the following persons, who applied for admission to the ARSC, during the period between the general meetings in December 2010, as the new members of the Conference.

< New members >

(1) Full Member (20 persons)

Katsuya Hinohara (Univ. of Tokyo), Shoichiro Nakayama (Kanazawa Univ.), Tomoyoshi Trasaki (Development Bank of Japan), Kuninori Nakagawa (Kushiro Public Univ. of Economics), Takehiro Usui (Soka Univ.), Akira Yakita (Nagoya City Univ.), Michiya Nozaki (Chubu Industrial and Regional Advancement Center), Kazutoshi Miyazawa (Doshisha Univ.), Mihiro sasaki (Nanzan Univ.), Tatsuya Omori (Mie Chukyo Univ.), Makoto Hirasawa (Nagoya Univ.), Minoru Nakada (Nagoya Univ.), Ryo Inoue (Tohoku Univ.), Masayuki Sato (Kyoto Univ.), Keisuke Hattori (Osaka Univ. of Economics), Daisuke Nakamura (The International Center for the Study of East Asian Development), Atsuo Suzuki (Nanzan Univ.), Makiko Nakano (Nagoya Univ.), Katsuya Tanaka (Shiga Univ.)

(2) Student Members (17 persons)

Daisuke Murakami (Tsukuba Univ.), Kenichi Hashimoto (Meikai Univ.), Shun Yamamoto (Aomori Public Univ.), Isao Horino (Osaka Univ.), Jun Oshiro (Osaka Univ.), Akinori Tanaka (Osaka Univ.), Lei Wu (Ritsumeikan Univ.), Kentaro Wada (Tohoku Univ.), Chao Qu (Tohoku Univ.), Toshinari Kozasa (Hiroshima Univ.), Eri Yamada (Nagoya Univ.), Keisuke Kawada (Osaka Univ.), Dan Zehng (Nagoya Univ.), Kenta Ikeuchi (Hitotsubashi Univ.), Akito Nagasawa (Tohoku Univ.), Xue Peng (Univ. of Kitakyushu)

<Withdrawn members due to requests>

(11persons)

Koji Nishikimi(JETRO), Hiroki Yazawa (Sapporo Gakuin Univ.), Nobuhisa Taira (Seigakuin Univ.), Nobuhiro Akimoto (IBS), Kenichi Imai (Kinki Univ.), Keiki Konno(Hachinohe National College of Technology), Shinya Koyama(Univ. of Hyogo), Naoki Maruyama, Shinichi Hirata(IBM), Shinichi Mukai (Doshisha Univ.), Hiroshi Kimura (Tsukuba Univ.)

As of December 12, 2010, the ARSC has 465 individual members make up of 403 in the full membership ; 54 in the student membership ; 8 in the overseas membership. In addition, we have 10 corporate members who subscribe 14 shares in sum.

5. Membership Fees for Fiscal 2011

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

(1) ARSC Membership Fees

The ARSC membership fee for 2011 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 10,000 and 7,500 yen,** respectively. If you want to cancel your subscription of the ARSC Journal, you will pay \$60 for 2011 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. (clerk@arsc.org)

(2)RSAI Membership Fees

The RSAI (The Regional Science Association International) members can receive the following services direct from Wiley-Blackwell Publishing.

The RSAI Membership Fee for 2011 will be **\$65(if student \$ 32)** for those who will receive the following services of Category A, and **\$13(if student \$ 10)** for those who will receive the following services of Category B.

<CATEGORY A>

Members receive the following services:

- The printed (hard) copy of PiRS
- Reduced rate subscriptions to other Wiley-Blackwell journals, including *Journal of Regional Science*, along with contact details for the relevant publishers.
- Access to a new, sophisticated RSAI website, (as described later).
- Newsletter (printed version)
- Reduced rates at RSAI conferences
- Access to list of members

<CATEGORY B>

Members receive the following services :

- Electronic copy of PiRS
- Reduced rate subscriptions to other Wiley-Blackwell journals, including *Journal of Regional Science*, along with contact details for the relevant publishers.
- Access to a new, sophisticated RSAI website, (as described later).
- Electronic version of Newsletter
- Reduced rates at RSAI conferences
- Access to list of members

(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.