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1 . First Call for Papers— The 26th Annual Meeting

The 26th Annual Meeting will be organized under the direction of Prof. Tsutomu Kidachi of Aomori University, who head the organizing committee. Pertinent information is summarized below.(Details will be informed on the next newsletter and home page of ARSC.)

Dates: November 17 & 18, 2012

Place: Aomori Public University (Aomori city, Japan)

Deadline for Application: August 31, 2012

Submission of Full-paper: October 30, 2012

2 . Call for papers – The 2nd Asian Seminar in Regional Science

The 2nd Asian Seminar in Regional Science will be held at Kitakyushu city (Japan). Pertinent information is summarized below.(Please see the another paper--Call for Papers)

Dates: September 29 & 30, 2012

Place: International Center for the Study of East Asian Development (ISCED)
(Kitakyushu city, Japan) WEB: <http://www.icsead.or.jp>

Deadline for Application: May 31, 2012

Submission of Full-paper: August 31, 2012

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(Prof. Dao-Zhi Zeng (Tohoku University, Japan))

3. Sakashita Prize ,2011

Kazuhiro Yamamoto (Osaka University) was honored as a Sakashita Prize winner of 2011 in the 25th annual meeting of ARSC 2011.

The committee for the selection of 2011 Sakashita Prize winner was formed under the chairmanship of Professor Komei Sasaki (Shokei-gakuin University), and the committee selected Mr. Kazuhiro Yamamoto as the prize winner..

4. Election of Management Committee Members for 2012-2013

According to the Article 8 of the ARSC Chapter, the election of Management Committee Members for the term beginning in April 2012 and ending in March 2014 will be held under the Election Administration Committee. Hirobumi Akagi (Meijo Univ.) and Morisugi Masahumi (Meijo Univ.) have been appointed as members to this committee by the President Tatsuaki Kuroda.

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 16, 2012. The ballot is valid if postmarked on the mentioned date or before.

5. New and Withdrawn Members

The 2011 general meeting has approved the following persons, who applied for admission to the ARSC, during the period between the general meetings in December 2011, as the new members of the Conference.

< New members >

(1) Full Member (9 persons)

Toshihiro Matsumura(Univ. of Tokyo), Koji Kitaura (Gifu Univ.), Keisuke Kawaji (Mie Univ.), Ikuho Yamada (Univ. of Tokyo), Masayuki Nakagawa (Nihon Univ.), Junichi Noro (Gakusyuin Univ.), Kiyohiro Ikeda (Tohoku Univ.), Yoshio Kajitani (Kyoto Univ.)

(2) Student Members (10 persons)

Nontachai Tithpongtrakul (Nanzan Univ.), Sayaka Yakita (Nagoya Univ.), Kazuhiro Kobayashi (Univ. of Tokyo), Jian Wang (Ritsumeikan Univ.), Komlosi Eva (Tottori Univ.), Lili Tan (Tohoku Univ.), Yu Morimoto (Kyoto Univ.), Satomi Hangyo (Waseda Univ.), Keisuke Kondo (Kobe Univ.), Hiroshi Goto (Kobe Univ.)

(3) Overseas Member (1person)

Misuk Kang (Korea Inst. For Industrial Economics & Trade)

<Withdrawn members due to requests >

(1) Full member (6 persons)

Hidetoshi Yoshimura (Univ. of Kitakyushu), Yoshizo Hashimoto (Osaka Univ.), Mitsuo Ezaki (Oita Univ.), Kazunobu Hayakawa (Inst. of Developing Economies), Satoshi Masuda (Tohoku Univ.) Takeshi Uezu (Ryukyu Univ.)

(2) Student Member (1 person)

Isao Horino (Osaka Univ.)

(3) Corporate member (1 organization)

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As of December 4, 2011, the ARSC has 478 individual members make up of 410 in the full membership ; 59 in the student membership ; 9 in the overseas membership. In addition, we have 9 corporate members who subscribe 12 shares in sum.

6. Membership Fees for Fiscal 2012

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 2012 will be \$80 for those who subscribe to the ARSC Journal and \$60 for those who do not. If you want to cancel your subscription of the ARSC Journal, you will pay \$60 for 2012 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 (The Regional Science Association International) members can receive the following services direct from Wiley-Blackwell Publishing.

The RSAI Membership Fee for 2010 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.