

# Consensus of 2<sup>nd</sup> e-ASIA JRP Forum (1)

- ❑ A compact and basic MoU is desirable.
- ❑ The basic MoU will cover the essential part for establishing the e-ASIA JRP framework including formation of the Board for further discussion of detail.
- ❑ 'Letter of Intent' (LoI) formula is appropriate for smooth participation in order to avoid signer's rank issue and simplify internal process of each country. Depository will be JST.
- ❑ JST will develop LoI and the basic MOU as attached document in due date.
- ❑ Every participant will intensively explore possibility to adopt LOI Formula internally. If LoI formula cannot be a consensus, participants need to sign the basic MOU by appropriate signatories decided by national laws and regulations.

# Consensus of 2<sup>nd</sup> e-ASIA JRP Forum (2)

- ❑ Supposed timetable:
  - ◆ By the end of Oct.: The draft of the LoI and documents attached identical to basic MoU will be developed and be sent out to all the participants from Japan.
  - ◆ By the end of Dec.: Every country will response whether it can participant the e-ASIA JRP or not. Also every country inform the appropriate signatory.
  - ◆ By the early timing of 2012: The LoIs shall be deposited to JST by countries who can participate.
  - ◆ Meanwhile, Japan is planning to get consensus to the e-ASIA JRP through the government level international meetings such as ASEAN-COST, ASEAN+1, ASEAN+3, EAS etc.
- ❑ Countries/Organizations need more time for approval procedure can participate the framework later on.

## Consensus of 2<sup>nd</sup> e-ASIA JRP Forum (3)

- ❑ For the next step, Board will be organized by the countries signed the basic MoU.
  
- ❑ In the Board Meeting, detail structure of the framework of e-ASIA JRP, such as process of
  - Determination the cooperative research field and area,
  - Formation of review panel,
  - Treatment of IPR, etc.will be discussed.
  
- ❑ The results of the discussion will be summarized as the ToR of the program.

# Consensus of 2<sup>nd</sup> e-ASIA JRP Forum (4)

- Membership is countries or its public organization. But the cooperation between e-ASIA JRP and activities of ASEAN-COST is important.
- Membership is basically public or governmental funding institutions. However, it should be interpreted flexibly as long as candidate institution has competitive funding mechanism.
- Signer shall be decided by each country according to its national laws and regulations.
- The budget per year for one project is envisioned as ¥5M from one country, but the difference of economic scale or level of commodity prices should be taken into consideration. The expenditure of participating country may be agreed among the cooperating countries in the process of joint call for proposals.
- The goal of the e-ASIA JRP is to establish the framework of multilateral joint funding system. But there is no need for every country should participate all the research areas as well as projects.

## **Activities before the Establishment of the e-ASIA JRP Framework**

- Pilot joint call for proposals and following joint funding can be launched on specific cooperation areas by interested countries (more than 3).
- A science talk event was held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of the 2<sup>nd</sup> e-ASIA JRP Forum, as an attempt to prepare the pilot joint call.
- The knowledge and know-how obtained through above pilot joint calls and project management will be essential inputs for establishing management procedures of the e-ASIA JRP.