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<p>4. Purpose and Mission of IRG:</p> <p>Until now, “International, Inter-regional, and City Logistics Research Group in Wide Variety of Asian Region” (IRG-02-2005, representative: Prof. Fwa from National University of Singapore) had actively promoted various logistics researches in Eastern Asia for six years. During activity period, two international conferences on transport and logistics (TLOG 2007 and TLOG 2010), two international logistics research seminars in 2006 and 2008, and IRG special sessions for each EASTS conference (i.e. three times) had been organized. In addition, two workshops in Japan on transport statistics in East Asian countries had been co-organized with Japanese government. Throughout these activities, so many academic researches as well as practical reports on logistics field including international, inter-regional, and city logistics had been presented and intercommunication among researchers and practitioners in logistics field in Eastern Asia had been strengthened. For example, this old IRG was considered contributing to increase the number of researches and reports on statistics and cross-border transport, not only policy simulation and model development, compared than that before the IRG started.</p> <p>On the other hand, interdependency in economics and supply chain among East Asian countries has accelerated with advancement of globalization in recent years, and more intelligent management in logistics field is asked in various aspects. In addition, East Japan Earthquake makes us aware of importance of risk management in logistics again, from various viewpoints such as information sharing, balance of normal management and preparation against disaster, and international and inter-organizational corporation. Therefore, the missions of this ‘new IRG’ are; 1) to organize international conference (TLOG) and seminars as well as special session in each EASTS conference, in order to give chances for presentation of researches and practical cases in logistics field, and to promote intercommunication among researchers and practitioners, similarly to the old IRG; and 2) additionally to focus in recent topics described above resulting in making report or other publication. Also similar to the old IRG, two sub-groups “International and Inter-Regional Logistics Group” and “City Logistics Group” are organized under the new IRG.</p>
<p>5. Target year for completion (Research period is suitable within four years.): June 2015</p>
<p>6. Research plan:</p> <p>(July, 2011 – June, 2012)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Summarizing past IRG activity and making report for publishing - Workshop on Transport Statistics in East Asian Countries (15-16 Nov. 2011, Kobe, Japan) <p>(July, 2012 - June, 2013)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 4th International Conference on Transport and Logistics (TLOG 2012, Busan, Korea) <p>(July, 2013 - June, 2014)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Special Session in EASTS conference <p>(July, 2014 - June, 2015)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5th International Conference on Transport and Logistics (TLOG 2014) - Summarizing IRG activity and making report