Japan Association of International Relations Activity Plans for Fiscal Year 2009

I. Annual Meeting

- 1. The annual meeting will be held on November 6-8, 2009 at the Kobe International Convention Center in Kobe.
- 2. The Program Committee will plan the Common Theme Session and various other panels while the Liaison Conference of the Study Groups will plan their own sessions. They will also invite our members to propose their own panels and papers. In doing so, we will be able to demonstrate the latest research frontiers as well as to provide opportunities for information exchanges among our members.
- 3. To encourage member participation, we shall conduct appropriate PR activities. We shall also simplify registration procedures and make improvements such as offering child care at the Annual Meeting.
- 4. As a non-profit foundation, we shall communicate our research results to the outside world. As part of this endeavor, one of the sessions will be open to the general public.

II. Publication of journals

- 1. Nos. 157-159 of *Kokusaiseiji*, our Japanese journal, will be thematic issues while No. 160 will be a collection of independent articles. The thematic issues will reflect the latest academic trends with emphasis on area studies, history, theory and issues. The collection of independent articles will be based on free submissions and a system of refereeing in order to maintain high academic standards while providing our young scholars with ample opportunities for publication of their research results.
- 2. For the greater dissemination of our research results, we shall make electronic archives of the articles from the back issues of *Kokusaiseij*.
- 3. Nos. 2-3 of Vol. 9 and No. 1 of Vol. 10 of our English journal *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific* will be published. The journal is based on free submissions and a system of refereeing in order to reflect the latest research trends while maintaining high academic standards as a medium of international academic exchange.

III. Newsletter and the JAIR homepage

In order to facilitate two-way interactions by publicizing various activities of the Advisory Board, Board of Directors, Committees, Study Groups and Secretariat and by receiving opinions from our members, we shall publish Nos. 119-122 of the Newsletter (in Japanese) and open our homepage on the Web. Our Website will be published in both Japanese and English.

IV. Promotion of International Academic Exchange

- 1. We shall publicize the trends at the International Studies Association (ISA) and World International Studies Committee (WISC). And we shall encourage our members to participate in international academic meetings through our PR activities.
- 2. In order to encourage our members to participate in international academic conventions and to disseminate their research findings, we shall provide subsidization of travel expenses to a limited number of members based on the review of applications.
- 3. We shall promote exchanges with the Korean Association of International Studies (KAIS) through a joint session at the time of the Annual Meeting.
- 4. We shall endeavor to further our academic exchanges with various regions and countries in the world.

V. JAIR Award

- 1. We shall continue our program of the JAIR Award, which was established in FY 2008 to promote original research among our young scholars. The Selection Committee will choose the recipient of the Award.
- 2. We shall translate the article that has received the Award into English and publish the article in the electronic journal *World Political Science Review.*

VI. Convening the General Assembly and meetings of the Advisory Board and Board of Directors

1. In order to decide, approve and implement the programs above, we shall convene the meetings of the Advisor Board in June, November of 2009 and in March of 2010 (3 times a year) and the Board of Directors in June, September, November, December of 2009 and March of 2010 (5 times a

year).

2 . The General Assembly will be held at the time of the Annual Meeting at the Kobe International Convention Center in November 2009.