JEF's Recent & Forthcoming Events



Asia-Pacific Forum in Delhi Sept. 24 & 25, 2009

The Japan Economic Foundation (JEF) and India's Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS) jointly held the Asia-Pacific Forum in Delhi. This was the eighth annual international symposium in a series which has been dealing with economic integration in Asia. The world financial crisis and consequent economic downfall have brought about unprecedented difficulties, and inevitably have affected Asian economies. Therefore, we picked "Under economic crises, how should Asia promote further economic integration?" as a theme for this year's symposium.

The timing was the best and the host city was also the best because we believe that the real implications of this recession to economic integration have to be scrutinized and, at the same time, India has come to be regarded as a



Noboru Hatakeyama, chairman and CEO, Japan Economic Foundation (top left), makes an opening speech at the Asia-Pacific Forum in Delhi while Dr. Shashi Tharoor, Indian minister of state for external affairs, delivers a keynote address (top right). The hall was filled up with many attendants interested in the theme of how Asia should pursue economic integration.

country of hope for global economic recovery. Participants came from various Asian countries and they all contributed to the success of the symposium by discussing specific and unique phenomena.

2009 Japan-Korea Roundtable in Tokyo Oct. 22 & 23, 2009

JEF held the 2009 Japan-Korea Roundtable in Tokyo. Politicians, academics and industrial leaders from both countries participated. They discussed a possible course for closer cooperation between the two countries under the new political situation in Japan.

Upcoming Events 2009 & 2010

2009

- → In November, JEF and Chatham House (Royal Institute of International Affairs) will hold a closed discussion session in Tokyo on the financial crisis and plausible new rules.
- → In December, JEF will call a meeting of the Japan, Korea and US Parliamentarian Council in Tokyo.

2010

- → In January, JEF will hold three symposia in the United States, two in Washington DC and one in Chicago, in collaboration with the American Enterprise Institute, the Center for Strategic & International Studies (CSIS), and the Japan America Society of Chicago, respectively.
- → In March, JEF and Chatham House will hold an open symposium in Tokyo on "The post-crisis analysis how Japan, UK and other countries responded and what sorts of different results are expected."
- → In autumn, the ninth Asia-Pacific Forum will be held in New Zealand.