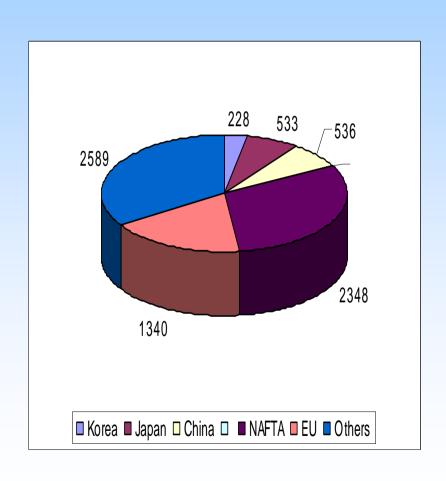
Oil Sector Cooperation Issues in Northeast Asia

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Comparison of Oil Consumption



Northeast as the third largest oil consumption area

the 3 countries as the key oil consuming economies in the world economy



Oil Import from Sources

(,000barrel per day, %, as of 2002)

to from	Korea	Japan	China	Northeast Asia Total	W. Europe	NAFTA
Middle	1,924	3,694	711	6,329	2,851	2,460
East	(69.9)	(73.3)	(34.9)	(64.1)	(16.1)	(18.6)
Africa	139	162	319	620	2,762	1,745
	(5.0)	(3.2)	(15.6)	(6.3)	(15.6)	(13.2)
Asia	604	669	529	1,801	35	291
Pacific	(21.6)	(13.3)	(25.9)	(18.2)	(0.2)	(2.2)
Others	126	515	480	1,125	12,046	8,697
	(3.5)	(23.6)	(23.5)	(11.4)	(68.9)	(65.9)
Total	2,793	5,042	2,039	9,874	17,694	13,193
	(100.0)	(100.0)	(100.0)	(100.0)	(100.0)	(100.0)



Features of Oil Supply Security

- Overdependence on Middle East
- 'East Asia Premium' on Middle East
 Crude oil

Average Arab Light Price from '91 to 2001

	Asia (A)	Europe (B)	U.S. (C)	A-B	A-C
Price (\$/bbl)	18.26	17.30	17.25	0.96	1.01



Forecast of China's Oil Import

	Import (A) (,000b/d)	Middle East Oil (B) (,000b/d)	B/A (%)
2005	1,550	1,005	64.8
2010	2,250	1,610	71.6
2015	3,000	2,180	72.7

(Source) FACTS Inc



Cooperative Features

Oil Products Trade

Export Import	Korea	Japan	China
Korea	_	229	216
Japan	27	-	18
China	26	13	_

(Source) World Oil Trade, 2002



Oil & Gas Development Projects

- Korea-Japan
 Exploration in East China Sea
- Korea-China
 Oil and Gas project in West China
- Japan China
 Development projects in Bobai Bay



From National Policy to International Policy as the Issue

- Competition for East Siberia Pipeline
- Free trade
- Regional cooperation institution



Conclusion

Vulnerability to oil security as a common feature for Northeast Asian economy

Burgeoning effort for cooperation

Cooperation in oil security as an leading edging for economic cooperation in the region

Toward strategic effort for cooperation

