Purpose of the workshop

In March 2007, the EU KLEMS project published a productivity database which covers not only the EU countries but also the US and Japan. Using this database, we are able to examine international competitiveness by industry and by country [(for the countries covered)] based on a unified framework.

A similar type of database is needed for East Asia to understand the dynamic growth processes in this area and to forecast changes in industrial structure in China, Japan, and Korea. The aim of this workshop is to discuss how we can construct a productivity database for China, Japan, and Korea in a unified way.

Session 1  Collaboration on a productivity database for Japan and Korea
Chairman: Tomohiko Inui (Nihon University)

15:20-15:40 Kyoji Fukao (Hitotsubashi University) and Tsutomu Miyagawa (Gakushuin University): “Some Analytical Issues Regarding Productivity Growth in the Collaboration Between Japan and Korea”

15:40-16:30 General Discussion

16:30-16:50 Coffee break

**Session 2**  
*Toward the construction of a productivity database for East Asian Countries*  
Chairman: Kaoru Hosono (Gakushuin University)

16:50-17:10 Hak.K.Pyo (Seoul National University), Keun Hee Rhee (Korea Productivity Center), and Hyunbae Chun (Sogang University): “Data Structure of and Productivity Estimates Based on the Korean Productivity Database”

17:10-17:30 Zhang Peng (Department of Economic Forecasting, State Information Center): “A Description of the Chinese Data for Estimating Productivity at the Industry Level”

17:30-18:00 General Discussion

18:30-20:00 Reception