Japan’s Engagement in Africa

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Africa’s shares in Japanese trade

Source: Japan Tariff Association
Main trade items between Africa and Japan sustained by automobile industry

($ billion)

Source: World Trade Atlas
Post 3.11: Expansion of import from Africa fuel for electricity generation

Source: World Trade Atlas
Machineries’ export to Africa
Japan and China

Source: World Trade Atlas

($ billion)
Cereal import: East Asia and Africa

(million tons)

Source: FAOSTAT
Demographic bonus and onus

Shares of working age population

Source: Statistics Japan, KOSIS, National Bureau of Statistics of China, UN
Our requirements to Africa

- Stable resource supplier
- Food security in global dimension
- These requirements are commonly observed in East Asia; Japan, China, South Korea
- East Asian countries share similarities in economic thought, aid policy and its priority
- Japan will be able to understand well China’s Africa policy, which seemingly referred to Japan’s economic cooperation policy in Asia
East Asia’s destiny

- Global center of manufacturing, who has the biggest demand for resources
- Region-wide collaboration be most desirable and productive even in Africa policy
- But, East Asia is divided by political confrontation brought by combative nationalism