Asia beyond the Crisis: visions from international input-output analyses

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Satoshi's keynote presentation will be on "Asia beyond the Crisis: visions from international input-output analyses". The characteristic feature of the current Global Economic Crisis is the speed and extent of the shock transmission. The rapid development of cross-national production networks over the past several decades has significantly deepened the economic interdependency between countries, and a shock that occurs in one region, whether positive or negative in nature, will be swiftly and widely transmitted to the rest of the globe. The "Economics of the Crisis", therefore, entails a detailed examination of the mechanics of shock transmission, by probing the labyrinth of complex supply chains among the countries. The paper aims to show the relevance of international I-O data as a tool to analyse the consequences of the Global Economic Crisis, and envisages the prospect of the post-crisis production system in East Asia.