



**Memorandum of Understanding for
Research Cooperation between
Public Works Research Institute in Japan
and Korea Forest Research Institute**



WHEREAS, the Public Works Research Institute ("PWRI") in Japan and the Korea Forest Research Institute ("KFRI") in Korea, hereinafter jointly referred to as "the Parties", wish to extend their collaboration in research areas about sediment-related disasters. AND WHEREAS both organizations have, through discussions, agreed to certain modes for cooperation. THEREFORE, the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets out the understandings of the parties as follows:

1. This agreement is an expression of the parties' intent to cooperate in the field of scientific research, but not intend to create any legally binding obligations.
2. The Chief Executive of PWRI and the Director General of KFRI shall be responsible for official matters related to this agreement.
3. Authorized representatives from both parties shall propose and commence activities to promote research cooperation between the two organizations.
4. Cooperative research topics shall include:
 - Change of researchers and information
 - Joint field survey in the place where sediment-related disaster occurred
 - Research on prediction of occurrence of sediment-related disaster
 - Research on countermeasures for sediment-related disaster
 - Other programs in which both parties are interested
5. Pursuant to this Agreement, arrangements would be made between PWRI and KFRI for the execution of specific projects. The terms and methods related to the specific areas of cooperation under this Agreement shall be agreed upon separately through an exchange of documents.
6. This agreement shall become effective after it has been executed by authorized representatives on behalf of PWRI and KFRI, and shall continue

effectively without any objection. Either party can terminate this agreement upon written notice to the other party with six months in advance. Although it terminated, programs in progress may continue to complete where financial resources admit.

7. This MOU is made in two original copies in English. Matters concerning interpretation and administration of the MOU shall be agreed on both parties in written documents.

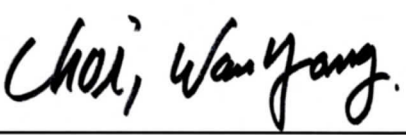
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this agreement by their authorized officers on December 4th, 2009.

On behalf of
Public Works Research Institute



Dr. Tadahiko SAKAMOTO
Chief executive

On behalf of
Korea Forest Research Institute



Dr. CHOI, Wan Yong
Director General