

**【Abstract of 2008 Grant – in – Aid for Scientific Research on Innovative Areas  
(Research in a proposed research area)】**

<b>Title of project</b>	Comparative Research on Major Regional Powers in Eurasia
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<b>Abstract of Research Project</b>	This project intends to make a comprehensive and systematic comparison of major regional powers in Eurasia, including Russia, China and India, and to analyze the sustainability of these countries as regional powers. The aim of this project is to establish a new viewpoint by inserting an intermediary layer (i.e., regional powers) between a super power and ordinary states. From this vantage point, pressing issues in contemporary Eurasia and beyond will be analyzed. The specific research questions that this project will address are: What places will these regional powers occupy in the world? What kind of new models will they present to the world? And what will the future world order look like?
<b>Term of Project: 2008–2012</b>	