

Summary

A. Senatorov. Japan: From "Bureaucratic" to "Political" Management

In the process of adaptation of state management to the condition of the XXI century one of the objectives of the administrative reform in Japan is to overcome bureaucracy and create strong political government. The author reviews the opinions on the subject by Japanese ruling elite and problems arising on the way to reach goal.

Key-words: bureaucratic government, political government, government structure reform, Japanese system of government service.

S. Suslina, V. Samsonova. South Korean Projection of the World Financial Crisis

The authors consider the basic manifestations of world financial crisis in the Republic of Korea — one of the most developed countries in East Asia. The article provides the analysis of South Korea's opportunities to win the recession, government measures to fight the crisis, the moving trends of the negative tendencies in the country economy.

Key words: the Republic of Korea, financial crisis, knowledge economy, financial liberalization, government policy, post-industrial development, trade and economic cooperation.

V. Kistanov. Japan's Economy: the Strongest Crisis in Postwar Years

The world financial crisis hit the Japanese economy harder than other developed countries. Unlike the "lost decade" of the 1990-s, which symbolized the collapse of the "bubble economy", today's recession was evoked by the strongest drop in demand for Japanese cars and electronics in the European and US markets. The recession may turn out to be the deepest and the longest one in the postwar history.

Key words: financial crisis, Japanese economy, deflation, "bubble economy", export, import, budget.

N. Platonova. The Far East and the Baikal-Amur Railway Line (1974—1984)

The Russian government is now interested not only in the Far East and its natural resources. In the focus of its attention is also the infrastructure of this region and in particular the possibility of rebirth and exploitation of BARL as an important part of the Trans-Siberian Railroad with the aim of strengthening international cooperation with Asia-Pacific countries. Some socio-economical problems in the period of BARL construction (1974—1984) are also reviewed.

Key words: Baikal-Amur railway line, railway transport, Asia-Pacific region, migration at Far East

E. Biryulin. The 11th Five-Year Plan of Environmental Protection and Energy Consumption Trends in China

Fast economic development of China is accompanied by further deterioration of its environment. The Tenth Five-Year Plan of Environmental Protection (2001-2005) has not been fully executed. The Eleventh Five-Year Plan (2006-2010) provides decrease in the production of water pollutants on COD and emissions of SO₂. The main problem of its realization relates to power consumption tendencies in China.

Key words: the plan, environment, emissions, sulphur dioxide, COD, power consumption, coal.