

The 26th NEAL-NET Technical Meeting

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The 26th NEAL-NET Technical Meeting was held on 14th -15th January in Yokkaichi, Japan. Government representatives and experts headed by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT, Japan), Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries (MOF, the Republic of Korea), and China Transport Telecommunications & Information Center (CTTIC, China) participated the meeting.

The three sides discussed to continuously improve the service of logistics information sharing network, and explore an efficient and sustainable mechanism supporting international cooperation. The meeting summarized progress of container vessel and container status information interchange in 2019, discussed standards improvement in supporting cross-border multimodal transport and dangerous goods transportation, and exchanged views on the international cooperation that the three sides achieved with Russia, ASEAN, and EU on expanding the logistics information sharing network.

China side shared the progress of LOGINK in cooperation with Port Hamburg (Germany), Port Rotterdam (Netherland), and the “Belt and Road Countries” Initiative alongside countries, proposed NEAL-NET to connect with EU ports, and explore innovative practice regarding cooperative mechanism and mode. As supplementary to NEAL-NET service, China side suggested to conduct research on new technologies, e.g. blockchain, to improve information sharing efficiency, and introduced the feasibility of information interchange regarding RO/RO ferries under NEAL-NET standard framework.

Three sides reached consensus on specific measures in continuously improving information sharing service, studying while setting relevant international standard, and actively promoting international ports connectivity. Progress will be exchanged at the next meeting. According to the NEAL-NET cooperative mechanism, the 27th Technical Meeting will be held in Busan, the Republic of Korea in July 2020.



