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Environmental Innovation Sent Out From Kawasaki

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Expansion of Resource-Recycling Network (Eco-Town)

Building and integrating recycling facilities in the eco-town

Development Step 1

Resource-recycling network within the eco-town

Development Step 2

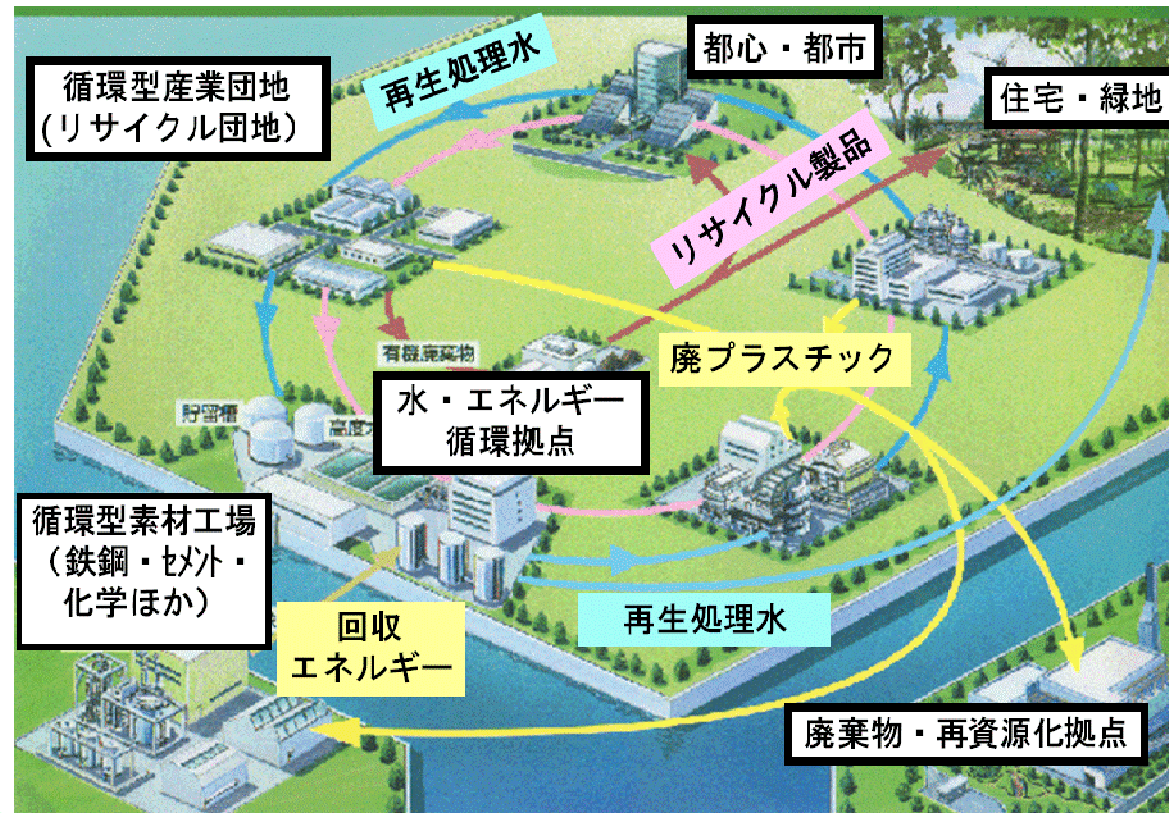
Formation of resource-recycling in the area surrounding the eco-town

Development Step 3

Formation of resource-recycling nationwide, irrespective of eco-towns

Building a circular economy and society

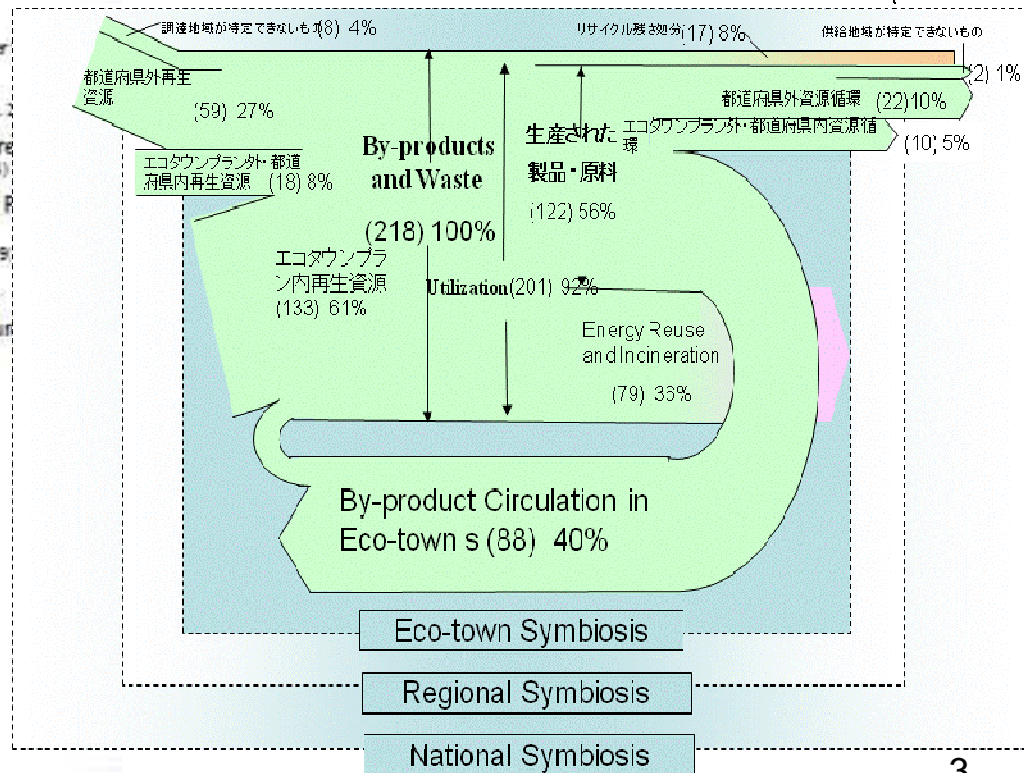
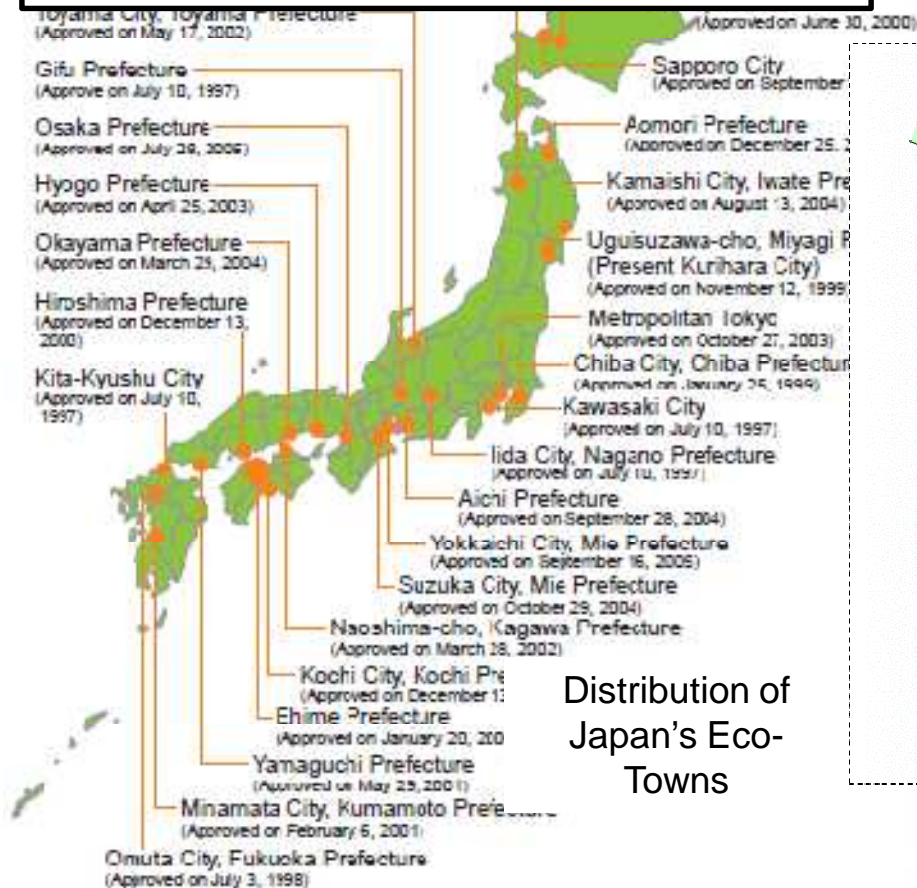
Expectations for formation of a circular industrial network and regional areas, with eco-town facilities at the core



Survey and Analysis of Eco-Town Projects as Bases for a Circular Society

During the ten-year period from 1997 to 2006, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and the Ministry of the Environment authorized 26 eco-towns, and 62 facilities have been built.

In fiscal 2008 there was a “Survey and Investigative Commission on Measures for Further Promotion of Eco-Towns.” 26 eco-town municipalities and 170 circular facilities were surveyed and analyzed.



Locations of Resource Recycling Facilities in Kawasaki's Eco-Town

Facility for turning waste plastic into ammonia feedstock (Showa Denko K.K.)

Facility for manufacturing recycled cement (D.C.)

Waste plastic blast-furnace reduction facility / Facility for manufacturing panels for concrete molds made of waste plastic / Facility for recycling waste household electric appliances (JFE Group)

PET-to-PET recycling facility (PET Refine Technology Co., Ltd.)

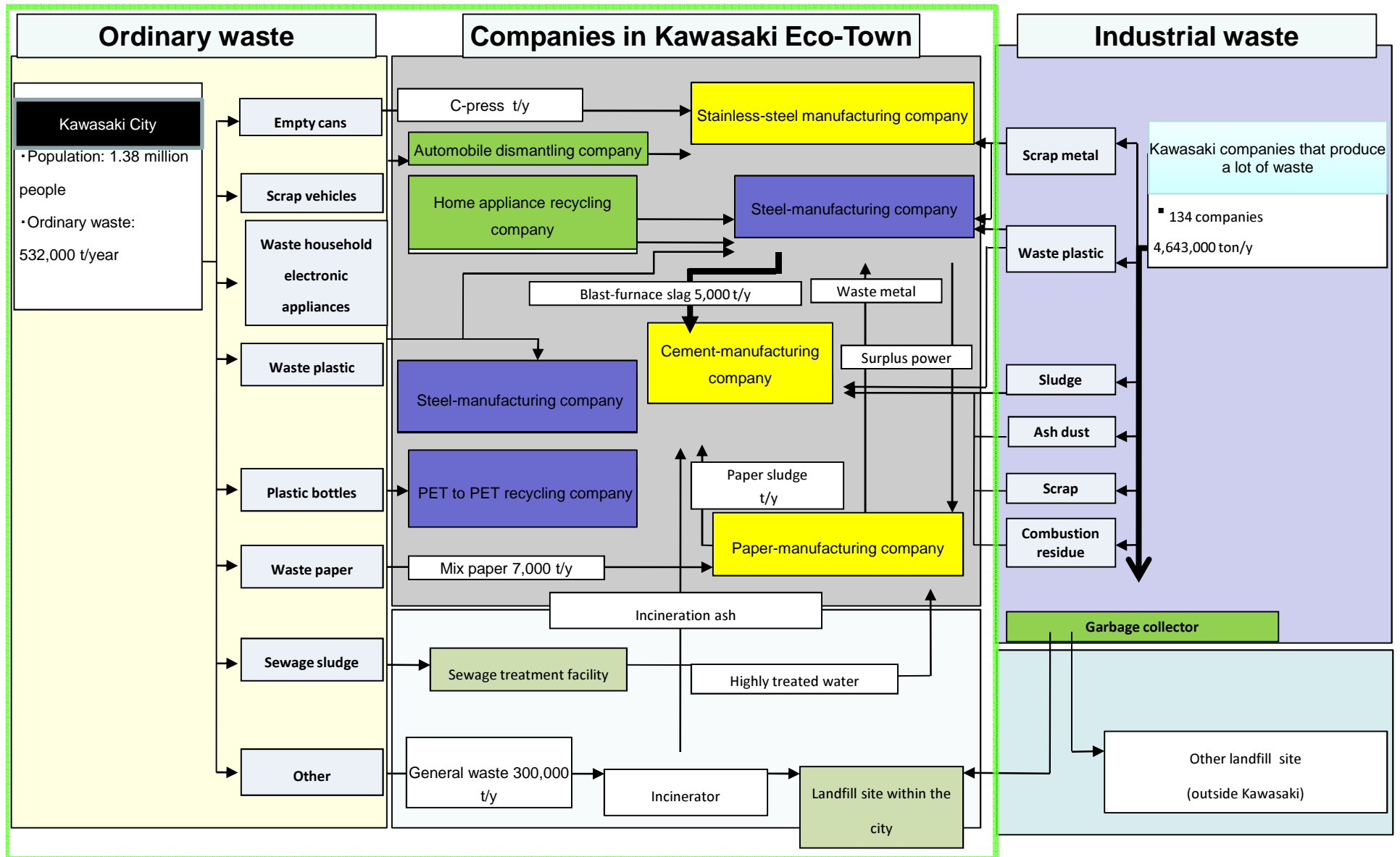
Recycling facility for hard-to-recycle paper (San-Ei Regulator Co., Ltd.)

Kawasaki zero-emission industrial zone

Radius: within approx. 1.5km

Example of an Eco-Town Project: Kawasaki Eco-Town

Formation of a Regional Network for Resource Circulation



Factors for Expansion of Eco-Towns and Research on Regional Circulation Areas

(1) Concentrated building of circulation and recycling facilities

(Scale economies for circulation; accumulation of amounts and quality)

(2) Cooperation between industrial facilities and recycling facilities

(Industrial symbiosis system)

(3) Social system for making the most of circulation technologies

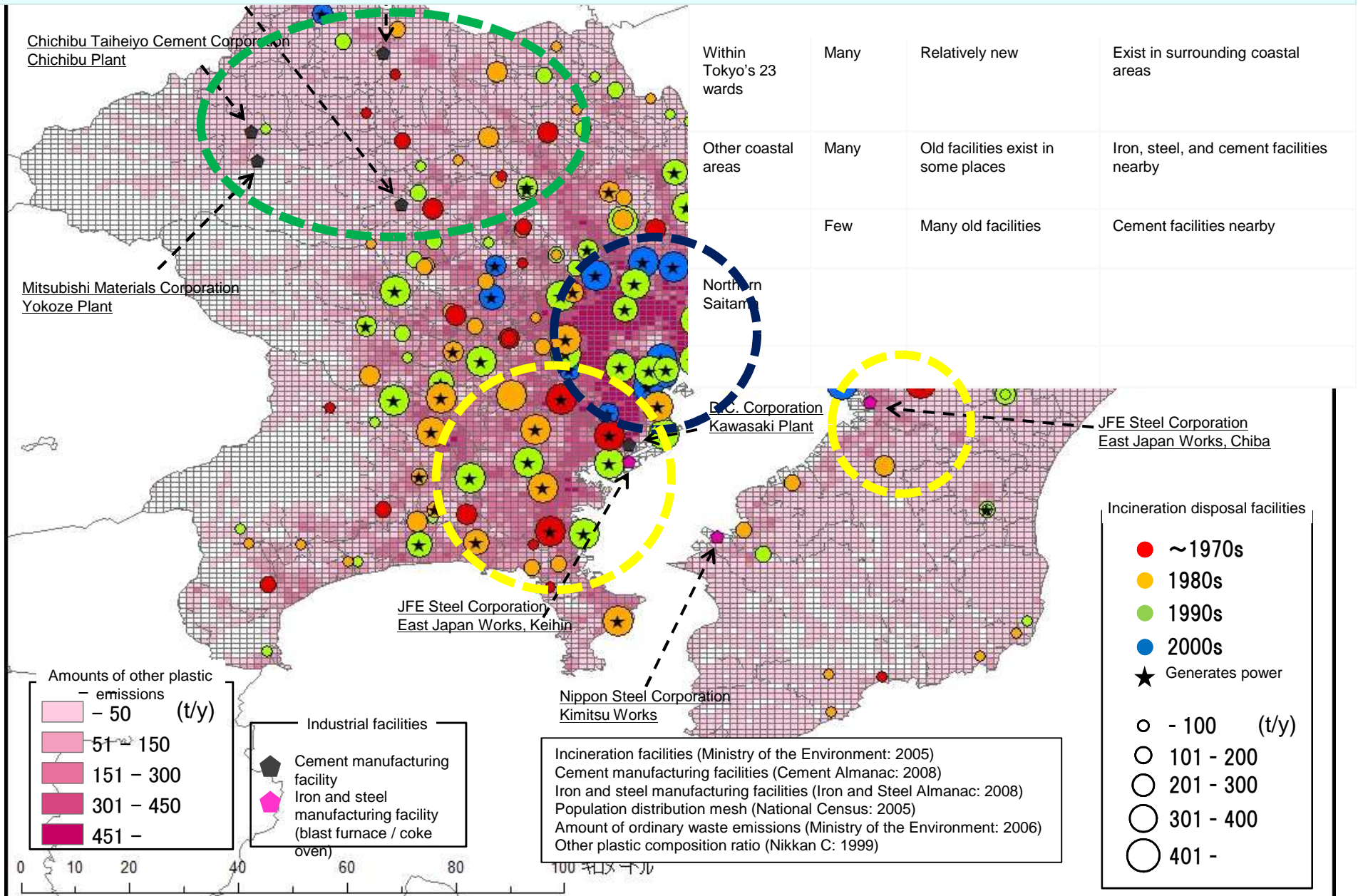
(Circular society system)

(4) Appropriate circulation scale through circulation characteristics

(Appropriate circulation area)

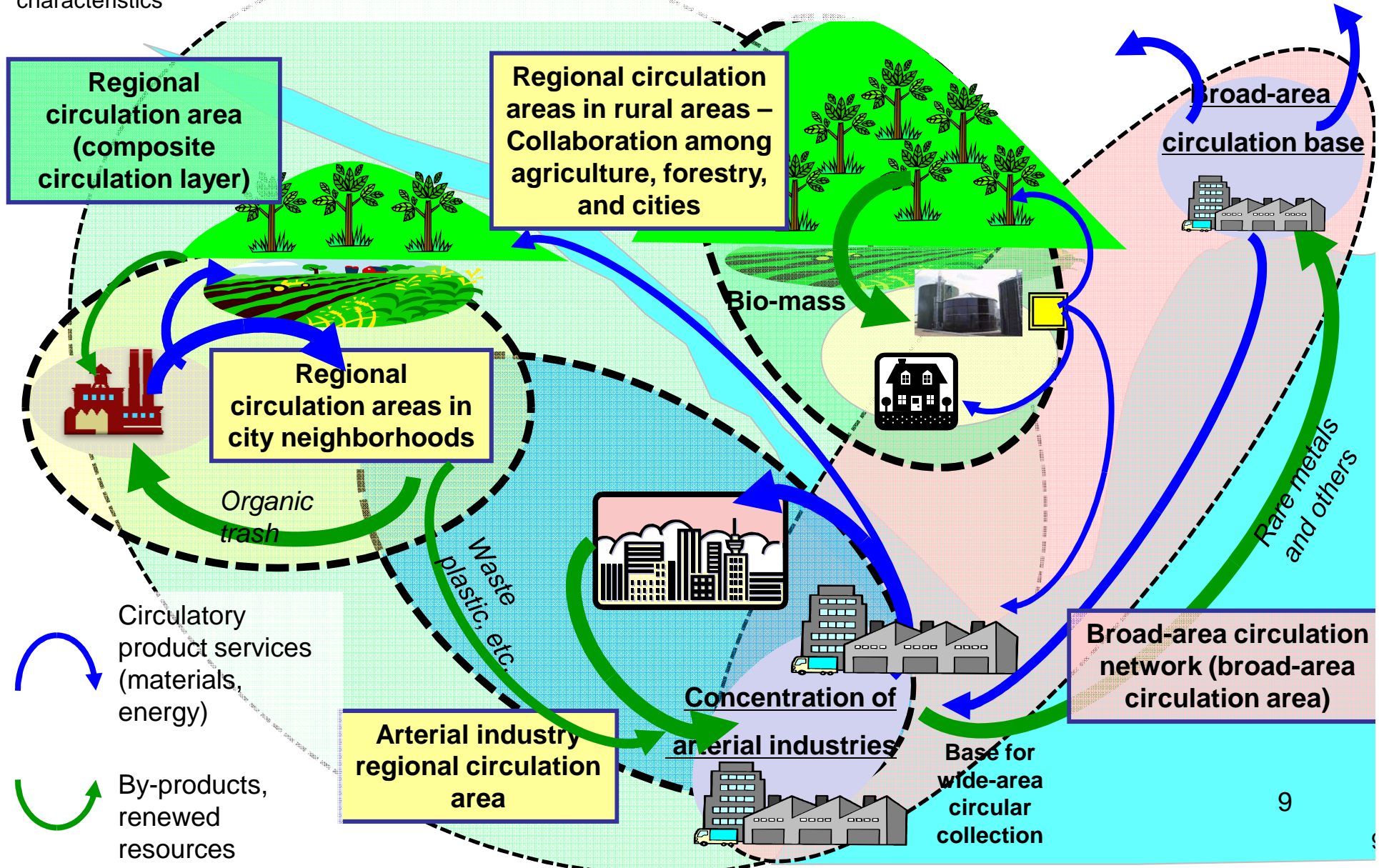
Information Systems that Contribute to Building Regional Circulation (1)

Regional Databases of Information on Distribution of Circulating Resources and Information on Industrial Facilities that are Bases for Circulation

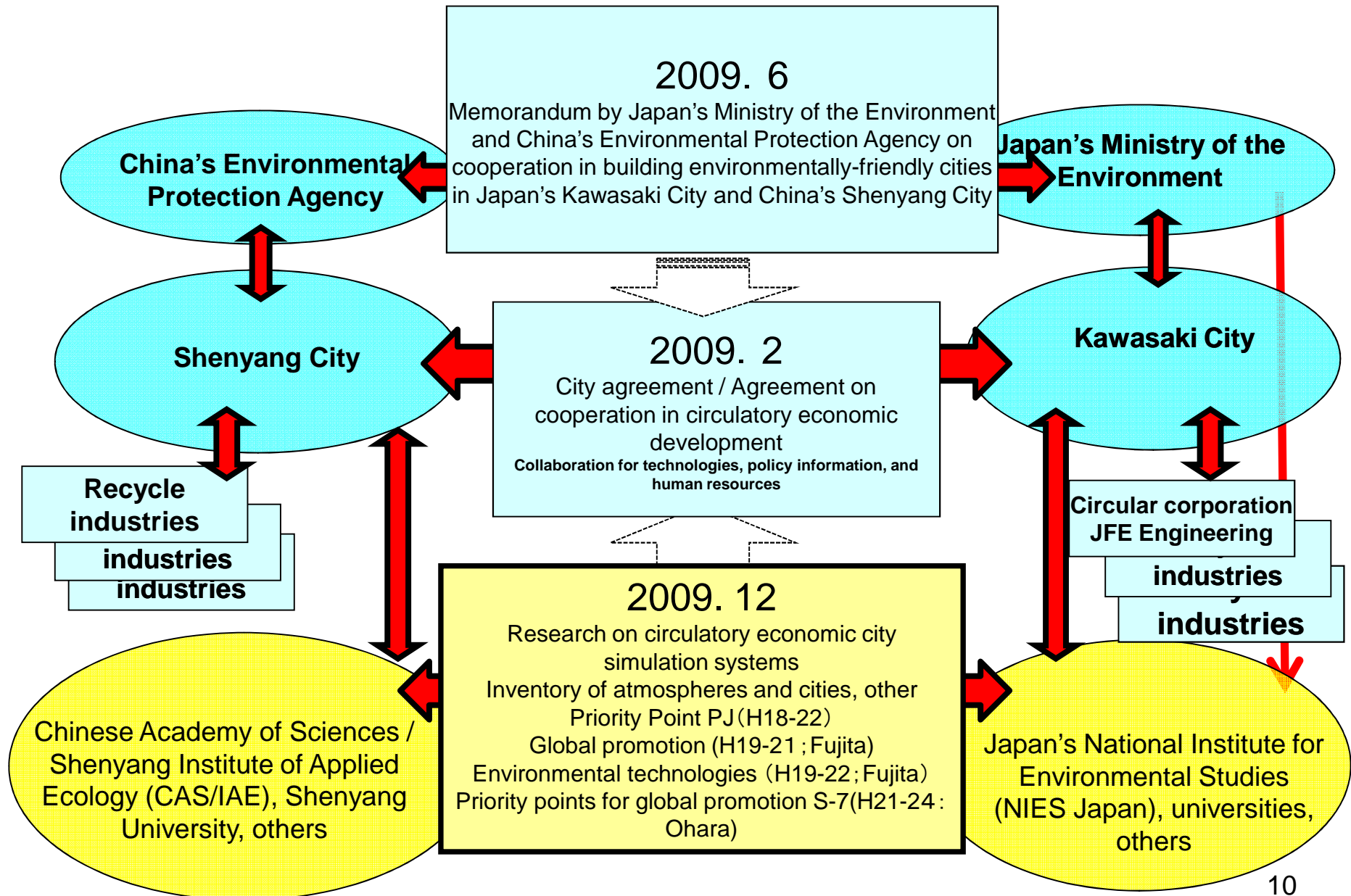


Various Regional Circulation Areas that Utilize the Location of Environmental Resources

Building a wide variety of regional circular areas that utilize the regions' circular society base (resource recycling and processing facilities, and circular arterial industry facilities), accumulation of agriculture and forestry environmental capital, and locational characteristics



China's Shenyang City Research Collaboration System for an "Environmentally-Friendly City"



Creation of a Simulation System for Evaluation of City Technologies and Policies

① Building a Kawasaki prototype in Shenyang (Japan-China collaboration)

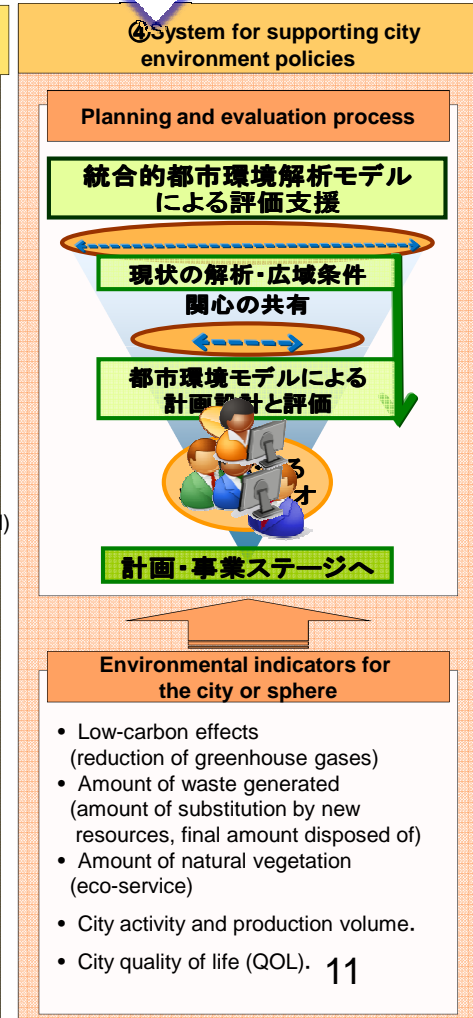
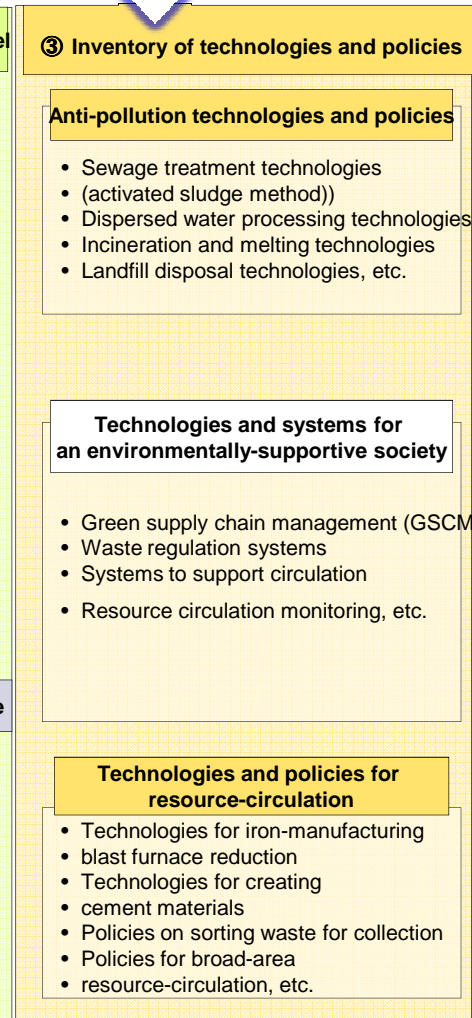
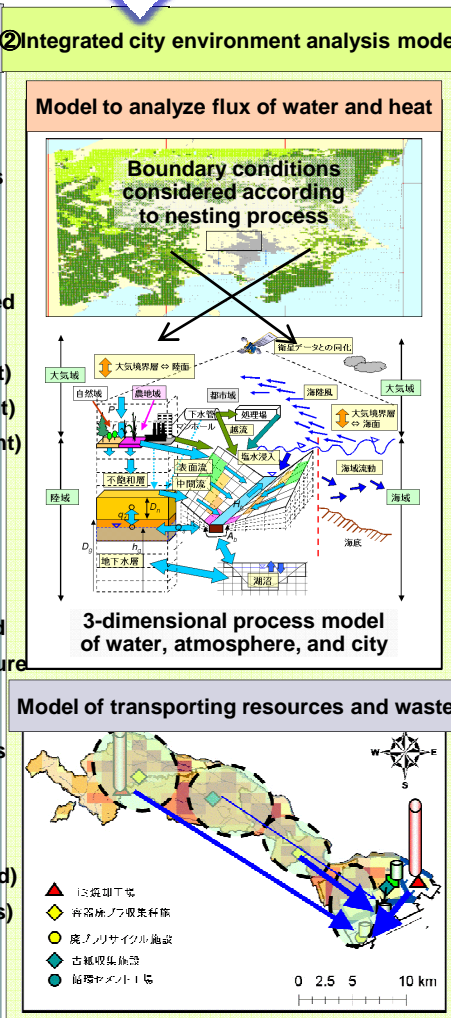
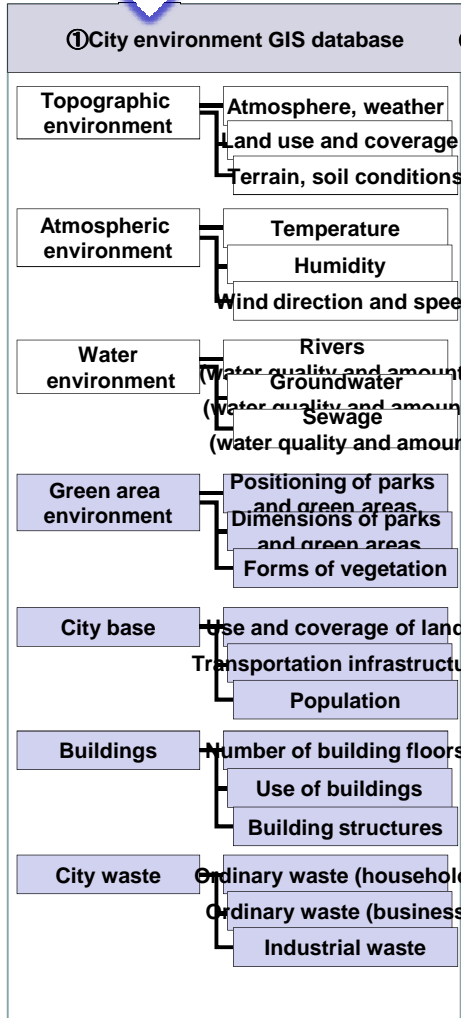
② Customizing the NIES model for Shenyang, Liaoning (Japan-China collaboration)

③ Typifying Japanese corporations' technologies and local governments' systems (NIES)

④ Planning process involving collaboration between CAS and the Chinese government (CAS + Shenyang City)

Analysis of effects on sphere

Base city environment information



3.5 Example of Application of a Resource-Circulation Technology and Policy System in a Chinese City

Building a technology inventory

Technologies for improving city heat environment

- Water-retentive pavement
- Water-permeable pavement
- Technologies for controlling city district

Berkel and Fujita et.al.; J. of Env. Managmt.,2009, others

Industrial symbiotic resource-circulation technologies

- Turning cement into raw fuel
- Blast furnace reduction of waste plastic
- Turning waste plastic ammonia into raw material
- Turning waste plastic into raw material for concrete molds
- Turning used paper into raw material for making paper

Hashimoto and Fujita et.al.; J. of Consv. & Recy.,2010, others

Bio-mass circulation technologies

Wong, Fujita, Xu; J. of Waste Mangmt, 2009, others

Technologies for protecting the water environment

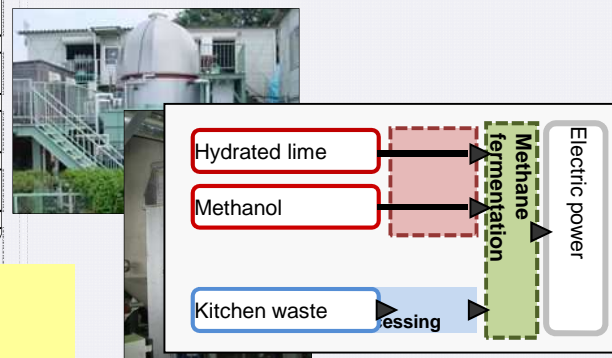
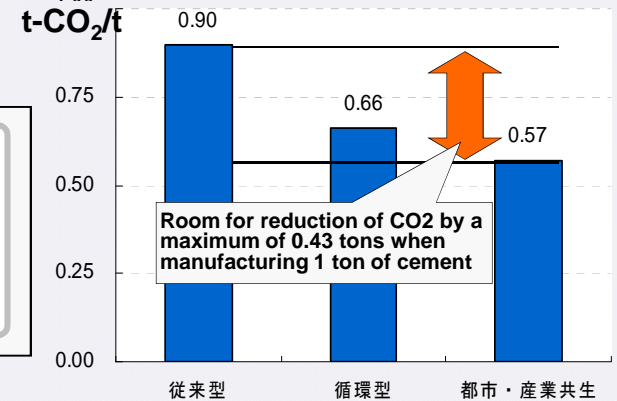
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- Plant cleansing

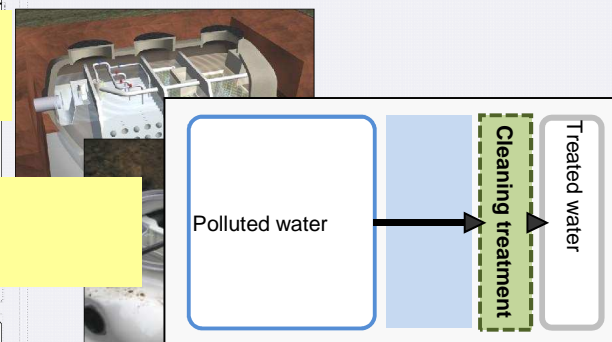
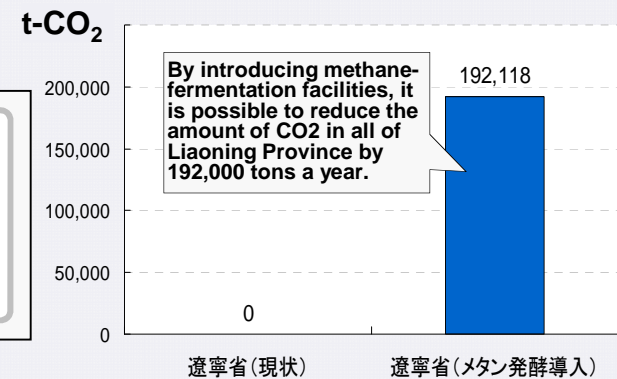
Formulation of Elemental Technologies and Estimating Effects of Introduction



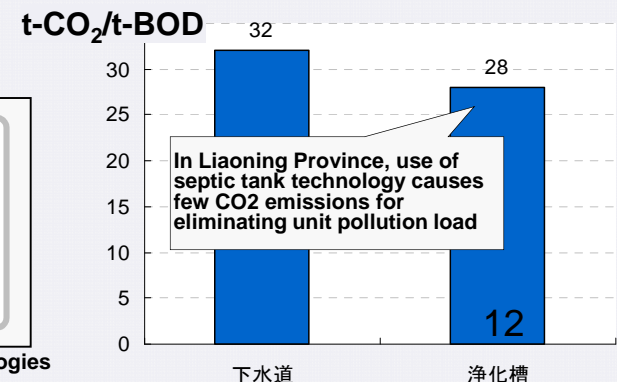
Technology for manufacturing circulated cement



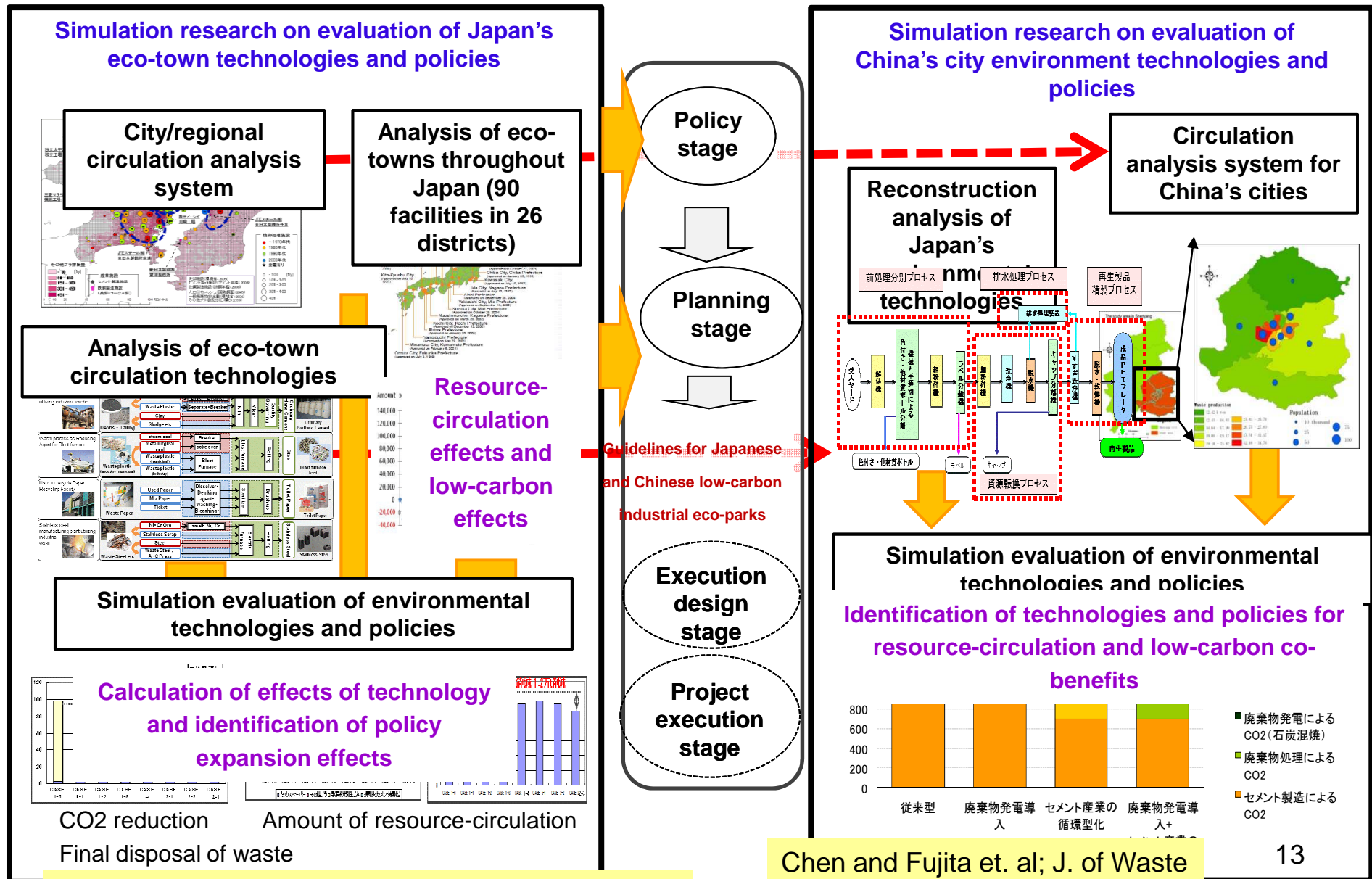
Methane fermentation technologies



Combined wastewater treatment tank technologies



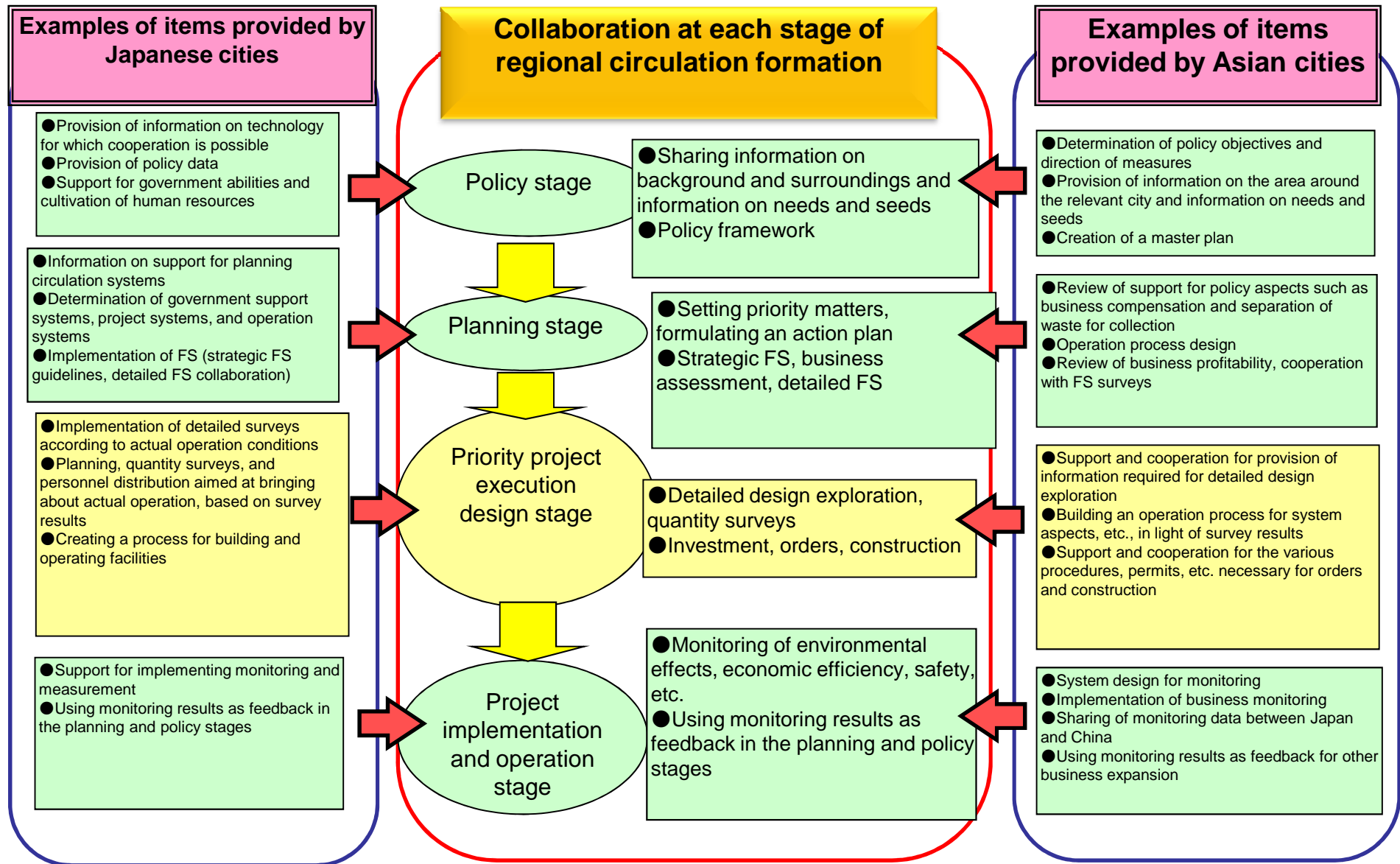
Examples of Simulation Research on Resource-Circulation Technologies and Policies in Japanese and Chinese Cities



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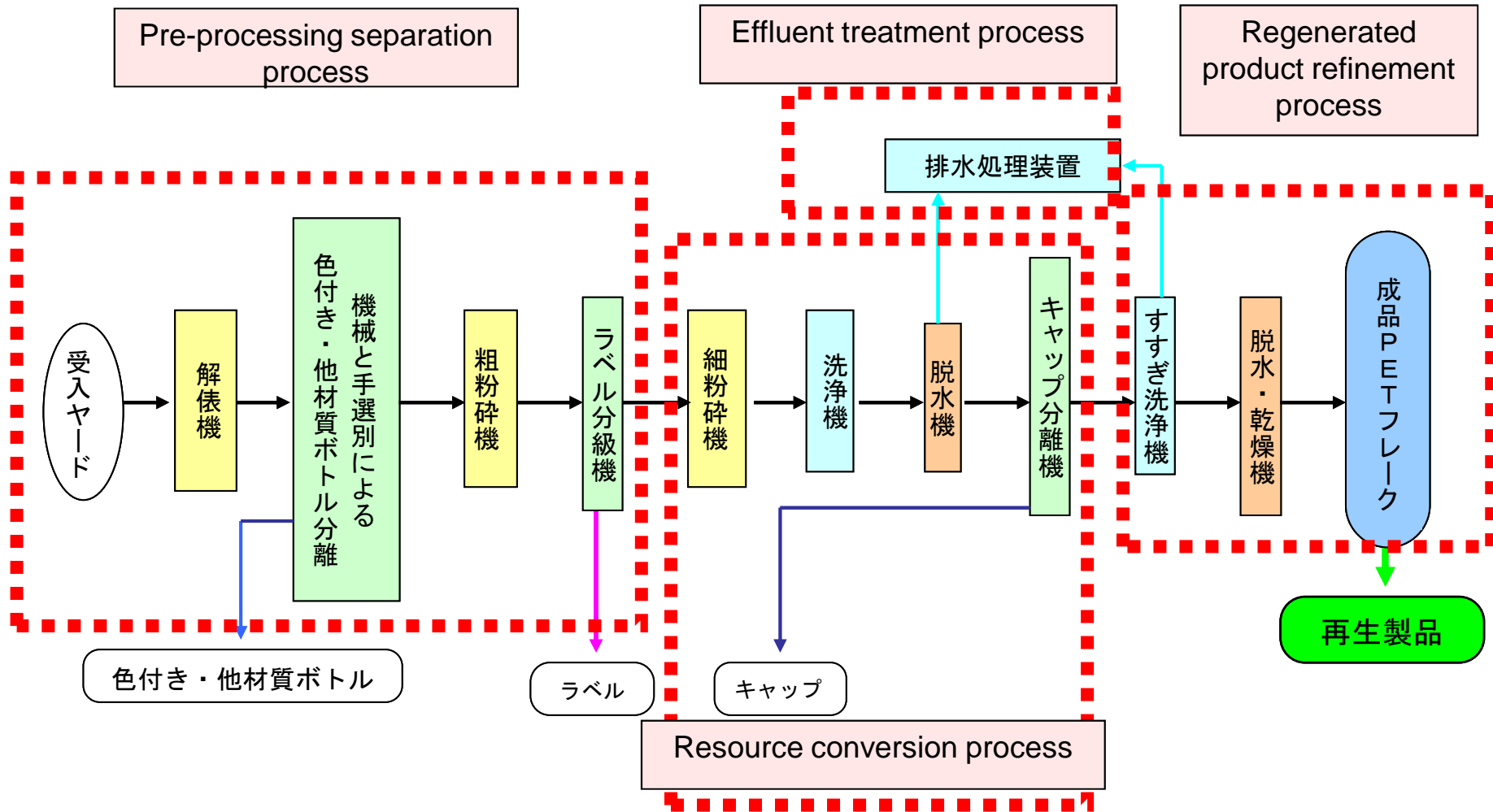
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Building a Platform for Reviewing Japanese-Style Regional Circulation Systems



Re-Building the Process for Circulation Technologies that are Appropriate for Regional Characteristics (Re-Engineering)

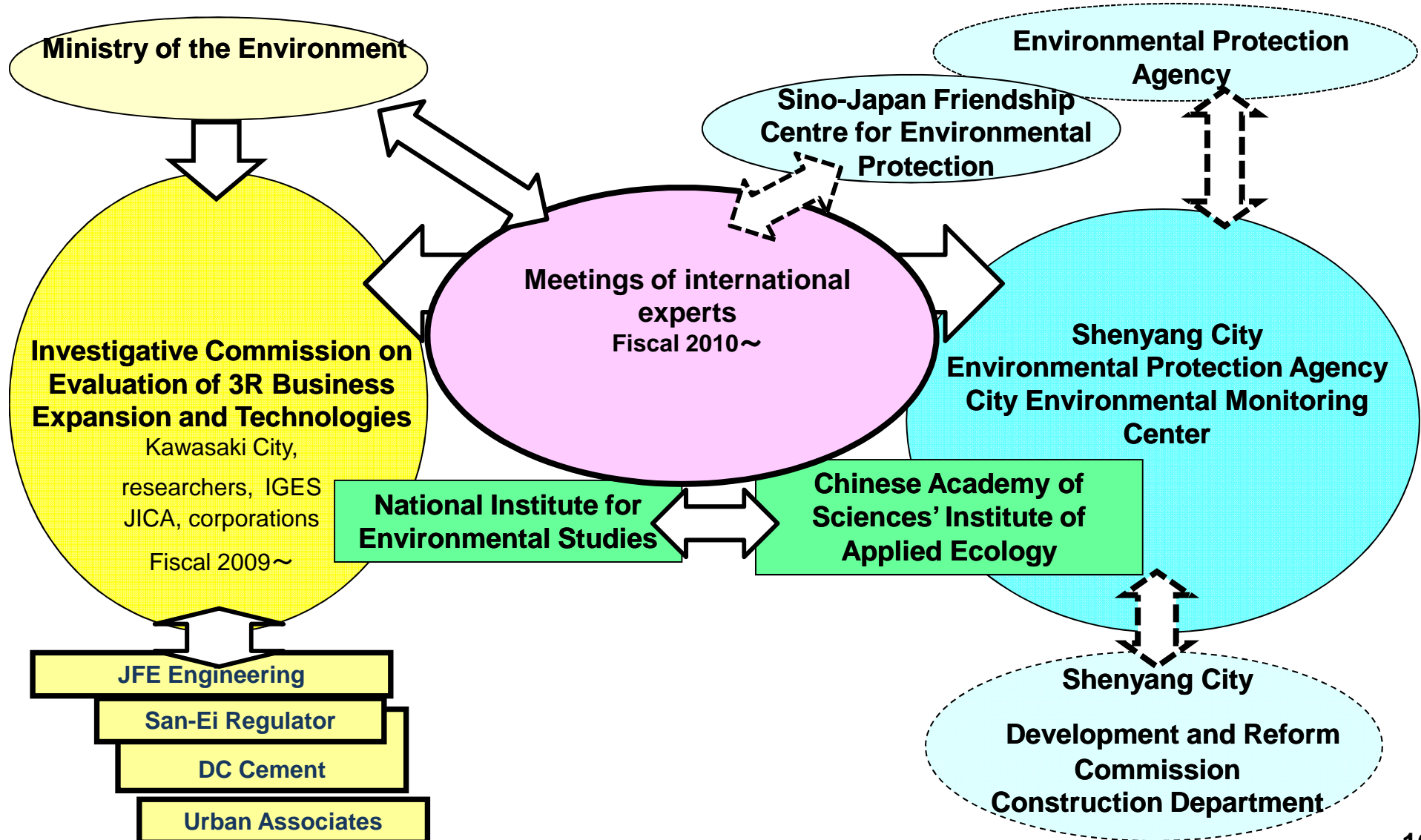
Re-building technology and policy systems that are appropriate for the characteristics of Asian cities, by dividing and rebuilding (re-engineering) Japan's technologies (in the example of plastic bottles, an initial eight-fold monetary divergence)



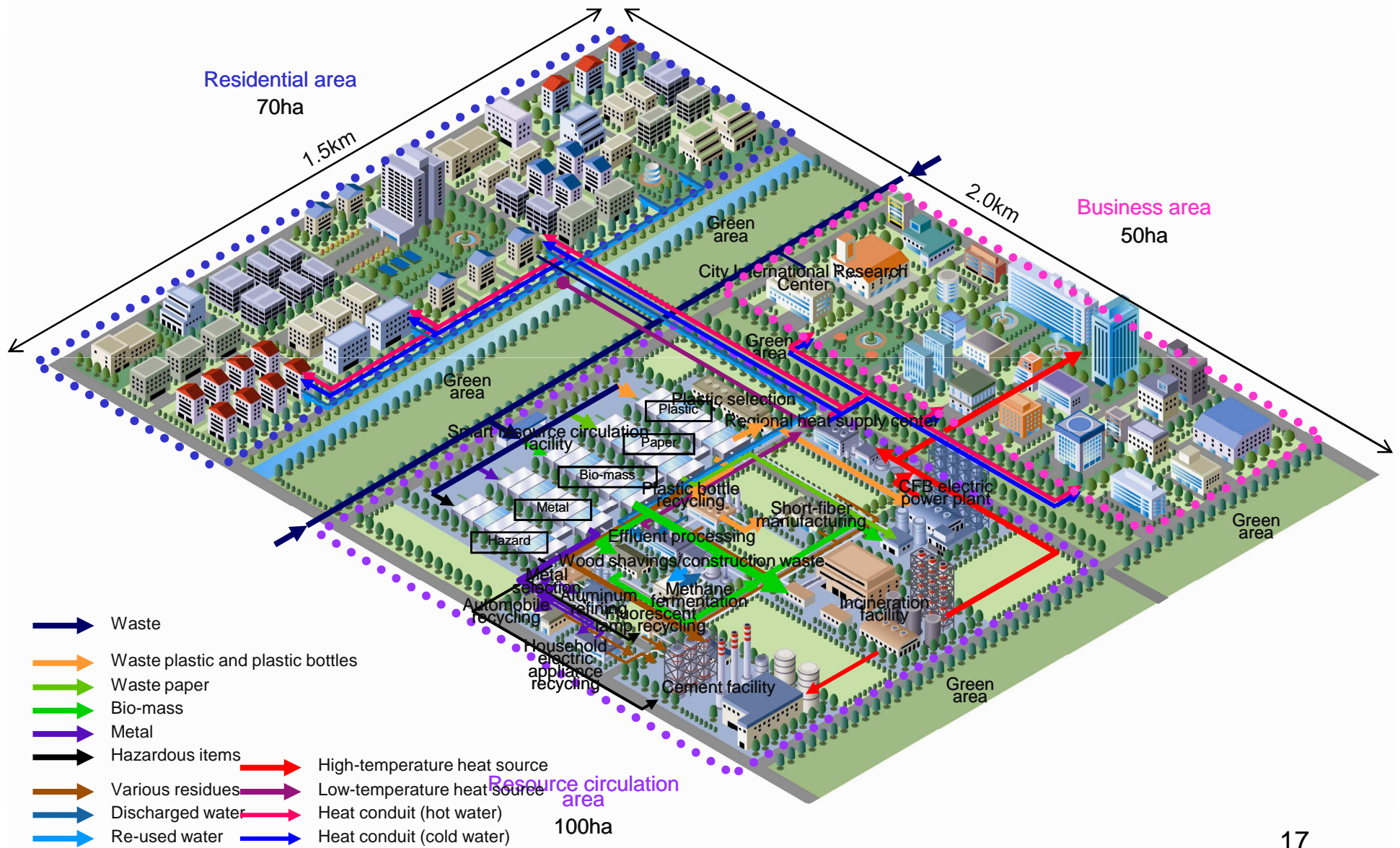
Inventory of input factors (energy, water, required land, operation staff, etc.) and quantification of equipment and operation costs, etc. for each circulation technology process, through business surveys in Japan

Framework for Review and Support of the Shenyang-Kawasaki Circulation Project

In January 2010 an investigative commission on support in Japan was launched with members from industry, the government, and academia. In January 2011 meetings of international experts began to be held as a channel for sharing information with Shenyang City and sending out information from Japan.



Shenyang City, China Image of Sino-Japan Collaborative Low-Carbon Venal Eco-Industrial Park (Investigative Commission Proposal by the National Institute for Environmental Studies)



Japan's Low-Carbon Cities in International Society

Knowledge and wisdom of resource circulation in Europe: European style

- Resource circulation amid increasing de-industrialization and de-materialization
- High level of environmental consciousness among citizens and corporations; ability for collaboration by many main constituents and ability for city management



Knowledge and wisdom of resource circulation sent out from Japan: *Japanese resource-circulation style*

- Ability to develop technologies by achieving objectives, ability for regional circulation by utilizing ability to develop products (combination of equipment technologies, network technologies, and social technologies)
- Social governance system that includes brewing environmental awareness among citizens and corporations
- Regional societies that are able to take environmental action based on their experiences with pollution



Resource-circulation initiatives in Asia: Asian style

- Promotion of becoming low-carbon in the process of industrialization and economic growth
- Top-down business promotion, and government ability to enact policies