

## A BRIEF HISTORY & PRESENT STATUS OF JAPAN ACCOUNTING ASSOCIATION

NIHON KAIKEI KENKYU GAKKAI (The Japan Accounting Association) was established in 1937, ramifying from NIHON KAIKEI GAKKAI (The Japan Society of Accounting). The Japan Society of Accounting was established in 1917. This Society was the only national organization relating to the science of accounting in our country with the membership consisting of college and university professors of accounting and those who are engaged in public or private accounting. However, as it was thought necessary to organize a purely academic association composed mainly of college and university professors of accounting, at the proportion of a certain number of the members belonging to the Society, who were interested in such matter, this Association was established, modeled on the organization of the American Association of University Instructors in Accounting.

Ever since its foundation in 1937, The Japan Accounting Association has played an active part in contributing much to the development of the science of accounting in our country. Recently the Annual Convention of the Association is held about September in the Kanto and Kansai Regions every year by turns, one of the prominent universities in the district acting as a host, and the Regional Meetings are held in six districts in every fall of the year, for the purpose of presenting paper on the research works conducted by the members or discussing various problems relating to accounting. Most recently the 69th Annual Convention was held at Toyo University for four days from Sept. 8 to 10.

The total number of the members of the Association as of March 31, 2011, is 1,889.