

RTRI's researcher wins UIC Global Research & Innovation Awards

December 16, 2014

RTRI's Dr. Masamichi Sogabe won the UIC Global Research Innovation Award for 2014. He is Senior Researcher at Railway Dynamics Division, and was given the award in the category of railway safety and security for his research "A Method to Evaluate the Safety of a Train Running on a Sequence of Structures in an Earthquake."

This award was established in 2012 by the initiative of UIC's International Railway Research Board in order to promote the growth of railway transport on a global level through the efforts to make railways more attractive, economical, and sustainable. The review committee is composed of IRRB's members, and the awards cover the following categories:

- Safety/security
- Sustainable development
- Rail system technology
- Rail freight services
- Passenger services
- Cost reductions

The award giving ceremony was held on December 3, 2014 at the Automobile Club de France in Paris. On behalf of Dr. Sogabe, RTRI's Dr. Munemasa Tokunaga, Researcher at Structural Mechanics Group, received the award certificate and plaque from IRRB's Chairman, Mr. Boris Lapidus, and Director of the UIC Fundamental Values Department, Mr. Jerzy Wisniewski. Later in Japan, the certificate and plaque were handed to Dr. Sogabe from RTRI's President Kumagai.

1. Award winner:

Dr. Masamichi Sogabe, Senior Researcher, Railway Dynamics Division

- 2. Award for: "A Method to Evaluate the Safety of a Train Running on a Sequence of Structures in an Earthquake"
- 3. UIC Global Research & Innovation Awards Ceremony:

 December 3, 2014 at the Automobile Club de France in Paris.



UIC Global Research & Innovation Awards Ceremony at the Automobile Club de France in Paris



The certificate and commemorative gift were handed to Dr. Sogabe by President Kumagai