## JR Central's announcement regarding the agreement in principle of Japan-EU EPA

In recent years, JR Central has enhanced mutual understanding and encouraged transactions with EU suppliers taking advantage of the occasions such as the Railway Industrial Dialogue.

We are committed to provide a high-quality service for our customers. In line with this objective, we, in transparent and non-discriminatory manner, have procured high-quality and best-value-for-money materials. We have also attached high importance to the reliability of after-sales services. In accordance with our Basic Philosophy of Material Procurement which is available on our website, we will continue to seek materials in order to maintain our safe and reliable transportation.