## Exchanges Between Northeast Asia and Japanese Local Governments (Summary)

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This article introduces the current status of exchanges between the 11 prefectures of Aomori, Iwate, Miyagi, Akita, Yamagata, Fukushima, Gunma, Niigata, Toyama, Ishikawa, and Nagano, which are sponsors of ERINA, and the Northeast Asian region.

As for the contents, in order to give an overview of the exchanges between Northeast Asia and each prefecture, I have organized the destinations of the friendship exchange agreements concluded by each prefecture and the overseas offices that had been set up. In addition, I introduce examples of Yamagata and Iwate prefectures, which are engaged in distinctive projects. Next, I introduce Toyama Prefecture's efforts in the field of Sea of Japan studies as a characteristic example of exchanges with the Sea of Japan region through academic fields.

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