A memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) signed among Federal Institute for Research on Building, Urban Affairs and Spatial Development, Germany (BBSR), NILIM and Building Research Institute, Japan (BRI)

On April 10, 2019, a memorandum of cooperation in the field of building, housing and city planning was signed among Federal Institute for Research on Building, Urban Affairs and Spatial Development, Germany (BBSR), NILIM and Building Research Institute, Japan (BRI).

On May 28, the first work meeting as a part of MoC was held in NILIM Tachihara-New Building and the participants discussed on the topic in which the both countries are commonly interested. And to commemorate the completion of the MoC among the three institutes, a short ceremony was held with participation of Dr. Kaltenbrunner (the delegate from BBSR, Head of Dept. II), Mr. Omata (Director-General of NILIM) and Dr. Midorikawa (President of BRI).

Objective of the MoC

To promote the cooperative research and development activities among BBSR, NILIM and BRI

Forms of Cooperation

The cooperative activities under this MoC will be implemented through the following forms:

- (1) Conferences and meetings on research and development
- (2) Mutual visits among the researchers
- (3) Other various forms of information exchanges

Possible Subject Areas of Cooperation

- (1) Saving energy for residential and non-residential buildings (including refurbishment)
- (2) City planning and housing policy
- (3) Utilization of BIM into construction related works and procedures
- (4) Prefabricated housings and industrialized housings
- (5) Other items the Institutes decide