

# Communication with Members and the Public

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## 1. History

- **Founded in 2007 to support members and committees**
  - National Assembly Research Service Act
  - Modelled after CRS of US
  - organized under the Speaker(not under the National Assembly Library)
- **Manpower of NARS**
  - 126 staffs(94 analyst): almost doubled since 2007
  - most of analyst have Ph.D in various policy area(from pol.science to engineering)

## 2. Duties & Values

- **Duties**

- Confidential memoranda to Members and Committees upon request
- Research and analysis on national policy issues
- assist Members research group
- publication of policy reports & issue briefs

- **Core Values**

- Objective and Non-partisan
- Expertise
- Confidential
- Comprehensive

## 1. Confidential Memoranda

- **Main client of NARS: Members and Committees**
  - provide confidential memoranda upon request about all kinds of policy issues
- **Type of request**
  - analysis of current policy issue
  - overseas policy trend
  - new policy options and merits and demerits of each policy
- **partisan and controversial issues**
  - ask for advice from outside experts, most from academia
- **annual average 8,000 case/ 83 case per analyst**

## 2. Joint Seminar with Members

- **Participants**

- Members, stakeholders(interest group), academia professionals
- open to public

- **Topic**

- topic from all public policy area(sometimes Member's specific policy interest)
- response to socioeconomic change: virtual currency regulation, vitalization of Fin-Tech industry, commercialization of self-driving car, big data management system

- **Record**

- 54 case(2016), 42 case(2017), 44 case(2018)

## 1. Public access to NARS publication

### ● Issue Brief

Short report on recent issue  
(4 pages)



### ● Issue Report

Analytical report on current  
policy issue



### ● NARS Report

Comprehensive in-depth  
analysis report on policy issue



### ● Field Research Report



### ● Legislation and Policy Studies

Biannual academic journal



### ● Parliamentary Oversight Report

Annual report on the parliamentary  
oversight issues



## 2. Legislation & Policy Proposal Contest

- **Purpose**

- to discover policy needs of the public from their proposals
- to develop public policy from their ideas
- to enhance competence of NARS to support Members and Committees

- **Qualification:** anybody or group(not more than 3 persons)

- **Evaluation standards**

- Creativity, efficiency, practicality, applicability, sustainability

- **2018 Grand Awards**

- “Grassroot democracy for the young: how to make mandatory for the local Members to recruit the young as a personal staff”



**Thank You**

**Q & A**

