



First RCE Thematic Conference: Towards Achieving the SDGs
Okayama, Japan
5-7 December, 2017

Themes

- Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services
- Climate Change
- Sustainable Consumption and Production

As of 3 December, 2017

Time	Monday, 4 December	Venue
15:00 -17:30	Registration	Atrium Okayama Convention Center 2F
17:30	A courtesy bus service to reception venue (Final departing time is 17:30)	Outdoor plaza Okayama Convention Center 1F
18:00-20:00	<p>Welcome Reception</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome Speech <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hirofumi Makino M.D., PhD. (President, Okayama University) ▪ Dr. Hirofumi Abe (Chairperson, Okayama ESD Promotion Commission) ▪ Mr. Naoya Tsukamoto (Project Director, UNU-IAS) • Congratulatory Message <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mr. Masaaki KOBAYASHI (Senior Adviser, Ministry of the Environment, Japan) • Toast <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Prof. Dr. Hiroshi Kanzaki (Deputy President, Okayama University) • Traditional Japanese musical instrument performance by Okayama University Students • Introduction of RCEs acknowledged in 2016/2017 by UNU-IAS • Introduction of UNU-IAS Publications • Closing Speech <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ TBC <p>A courtesy bus service to Okayama Convention Center</p>	BANQUET GRANJYOUR, CRED OKAYAMA Bldg. 21F



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Time	Tuesday, 5 December (Day1)	Venue
8:00 - 8:40	Registration	Foyer Okayama Convention Center 3F
8:40 - 9:10	Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dr. Hirofumi Abe (Chairperson, Okayama ESD Promotion Commission) ▪ Hirofumi Makino M.D., Ph.D. (President, Okayama University) ▪ Prof. Kazuhiko Takemoto (Director, UNU-IAS) ▪ Mr. Masao Omori (Mayor of Okayama city) • Congratulatory Messages <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mr. Masaaki KOBAYASHI (Senior Adviser, Ministry of the Environment, Japan) 	Convention Hall West, Okayama Convention Center 3F
9:10 - 9:30	Introductory Session RCE Network Toward Achieving SDGs Speaker: Mr. Naoya Tsukamoto (Project Director, UNU-IAS)	Convention Hall West
9:30 - 9:50	Break	Foyer
9:50 - 11:20	Plenary I: The Okayama Session on SDGs <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Panel Discussion on Further development of ESD toward the achievement of SDGs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderator: Prof. Dr. Kiichi Oyasu (Okayama ESD Promotion Commission/Okayama University) - Panel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Hirofumi Abe (Chairperson, Okayama ESD Promotion Commission/Professor, Okayama University) 	Convention Hall West



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Mr. Ichiro Kobayashi (Representative of Seto Tourism and Culture Association "Ayumodoki"
Leptobotia curta protection group)

Dr. Adela Kincaid (RCE Saskatchewan)

Ms. Etsuko Hiromoto (Chairperson, NPO organization Enemira)

Mr. David Rangan (RCE Denmark)

Mr. Yukiyasu Arimoto (AEON TOPVALU Co., Ltd)

Prof. Hani Sewilam (RCE Cairo)

11:20 - 11:30

Break

Foyer

11:30 - 13:00

Plenary II: The Okayama Session on SDGs

2. Okayama: Towards further multi-stakeholder partnerships between industry and academia for the SDGs

- Facilitator: Prof. Dr. Hiroshi Kanzaki (Executive Vice President for International Affairs, Okayama University)

- Keynote Speech
 - Hirofumi Makino M.D., Ph.D. (President, Okayama University)

- Speakers:

Mr. Masao Seki (Chair of the revision drafting group, Keidanren Charter of Corporate Behavior, Senior Adviser on CSR, SOMPO JAPAN NIPPONKOA INSURANCE INC.)

Mr. Hisashi Matsuda (Chairperson, Okayama Association of Corporate Executives)

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Prof. & Chair. Yasutomo Nasu M.D., Ph.D. (Dean of Graduate School of Medicine, Dentistry and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Okayama University)

Prof. Dr. Eiji Tomita (Dean of Faculty of Engineering, Okayama University)

Assoc Prof. Dr. Yuta Nishina (Research Core for Interdisciplinary Sciences, Okayama University)

13:00 - 14:00

Lunch

Convention Hall East

14:00 - 15:30

Parallel Sessions I (Case Presentation Session by themes)

- Biodiversity Ecosystem Services, Indigenous and local knowledge
Localizing the Implementation of Biodiversity Goals through Multistakeholder Learning - RCE Presentations
 - Moderator: Dr. Unnikrishnan Payyappallimana (UNU-IAS)
 - Speakers:
 - Prof. Kinhide Mushakoji (RCE Chubu) - ESD Dialogues with Indigenous Intellectuals
 - Ms. Lu Wan (RCE Greater Shangri-La) - ESD as an Approach to Foster Community initiated Nature Protection and Sustainable Development
 - Ms. Livleen Kahlon (RCE Delhi) - ESD Must Create Respect for Traditional Ecological Knowledge which is Vital for Achieving SDGs
 - Dr. Patricia Charvet (RCE Curitiba) - The Challenges of Linking ESD, SDG, Biodiversity and Ecosystems Services and Bringing the Business World on Board
- Climate Change
Education Strategies for Climate Change Mitigation - RCE presentations

Biodiversity Ecosystem Services,
Indigenous and local knowledge:
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Climate Change: Room301 (3F)

Sustainable Consumption and
Production: Room302 (3F)



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderator: Dr. Philip Vaughter (UNU-IAS) - Speakers: Ms. Shabana Kazi (RCE Goa) - Education for Climate Action Mr. Damien Feneley (RCE Greater Western Sydney) - Enabling the Global Classroom Ms. Ragini Kumar (RCE Delhi) - New Zealand-India Sustainability Challenge (NZISC) Mr. David Rangan (RCE Denmark) - The Education that Builds a Brighter Future • Sustainable Consumption and Production <i>Learning for Change: towards Sustainable Food Systems - RCE Sharing of the Practices (Panel)</i> - Moderator: Dr. Zinaida Fadeeva (Advisor on Sustainable Consumption and Production to the First RCE Thematic Conference) Mini-panel I: “Linking Education and Action” - Panel: Ms. Holguin Aguirre (RCE Bogota), Mr. Hernandez-Ramirez (RCE Borderlands México-USA), and Prof. Ghazali (RCE Penang) Mini-Panel II: “Developing Educational Materials and Practices for SCP” - Panel: Dr. Iwami (RCE Hyogo-Kobe), Dr. Dlouha (RCE Czechia), and Dr. Koerber (RCE Munich) 	
15:30 - 16:00	Break	Foyer
16:00 - 17:30	<p>Parallel Sessions II (Case Presentation Session by themes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity, Ecosystem Services Indigenous and local knowledge <i>Localizing the Implementation of Biodiversity Goals through Multistakeholder Learning - RCE Presentations</i> - Moderator: Dr. Unnikrishnan Payyappallimana (UNU-IAS) - Speakers: 	<p>Biodiversity Ecosystem Services, Indigenous and local knowledge: Convention Hall West</p> <p>Climate Change: Room301 (3F)</p>



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Dr. Mieko Kiyono (RCE Hyogo-Kobe) - The Consensus Building Process to Protect Modern Agriculture and Biodiversity in a Rural Area -Sasayama City, Hyogo, Japan
Ms. Ravleen (RCE Chandigarh) - Community Preservation of Giant Banyan Tree
Mr. Santhosh Sutar (RCE Kodagu) - Biodiversity Education Initiatives by Rural Students
Dr. Adela Kincaid (RCE Saskatchewan) - The Development of SDG related Curriculum within the Framework of an Ecomuseum

- Climate Change

Education Strategies for Climate Change Adaptation - RCE presentations

- Moderator: Dr. Riyanti Djalante (UNU-IAS)

- Speakers:

Dr. Wei Zhiyong (RCE Hohhot) - *Combating Climate Change and Desertification through Education*

Prof. Abba Haladu (RCE Kano) - *Mass Education Strategies for Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation: Lessons from Nigeria*

Mr. Brian Waswala (RCE Nairobi) - *Kenyan Youth Engagement in Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation through Environmental Education Practices*

Dr. Kimberley Smith (RCE Greater Portland) - *Facing Climate Change: A Train-the-Trainer Workshop*

- Sustainable Consumption & Production

Learning for Change: towards Sustainable Food Systems - RCE Sharing of the Practices (Panel)

- Moderator: Dr. Zinaida Fadeeva (Advisor on Sustainable Consumption and Production to the First RCE Thematic Conference)

Mini-panel III "Accelerating Local Solutions"

- Panel: Dr. Petry (RCE Saskatchewan), Prof. O'Donoghue (RCE KwaZulu Natal), and Prof.

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Sewilam (RCE Cairo)

Discussion and Summary

Time	Wednesday, 6 December (Day2)	Venue
9:00 - 11:00	<p>Plenary III: Orientation to UN Platforms on Biodiversity, Climate Change, & Sustainable Consumption and Production (including Q & A) Moderator: Prof. Mario Tabucanon (UNU-IAS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of RCEs Activities - Speakers: Dr. Unnikrishnan Payyappallimana (UNU-IAS), Dr. Philip Vaughter (UNU-IAS), Dr. Zinaida Fadeeva (Advisor on Sustainable Consumption and Production to the First RCE Thematic Conference) • Orientation to UN Platforms on Biodiversity, Climate Change, & Sustainable Consumption and Production <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity Dr. Clarissa C Arida, Director, Programme Development & Implementation ▪ United Nations Environment Programme World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC) Dr. Claire Brown, Senior Program Officer, Ecosystem Assessment ▪ National Focal Point for Action for Climate Empowerment (ACE) Dr. Emmanuel Tachie-Obeng, Principal Programme Officer, Ghana Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) 	Convention Hall West



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) Ms.Cristina Rekakavas, Training Associate, Green Development and Climate Change ▪ Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES) Dr. Lewis Akenji, Programme Director, Sustainable Consumption and Production ▪ United Nations Office for Sustainable Development (UNOSD) (TBC)* Dr. Sara Castro ▪ SWITCH - Asia SCP Facility (TBC)* Dr. Arab Hoballah, Team Leader <p>* NB: Video message</p>	
11:00 - 11:30	Break	Foyer
11:30 - 13:00	<p>Workshop Sessions I (Workshop sessions by Theme)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity, Ecosystem Services, Indigenous and local knowledge - Moderator: Dr. Unnikrishnan Payyappallimana (UNU-IAS) <p><u>Introduction to International Policy Process</u> - Dr. Unnikrishnan Payyappallimana (UNU-IAS)</p> <p><u>Local Ecosystem Assessments</u> - Facilitator: Dr. Claire Brown Senior Program Officer, Ecosystem Assessment, United Nations Environment Programme World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC)</p> <p><u>Group Work on Local Ecosystem Assessments</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate Change 	<p>Biodiversity Ecosystem Services, Indigenous and local knowledge: Convention Hall West</p> <p>Climate Change: Room301 (3F)</p> <p>Sustainable Consumption and Production: Room302 (3F)</p>



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- Moderator: Dr. Riyanti Djalante (UNU-IAS)

Overview of Research on Climate Change Projections in Japan and Public Engagement Efforts in Okayama

- Guest speaker: Dr. Toru Nozawa (Professor, Graduate School of Natural Science and Technology, Okayama University, Japan)

Grassroots Efforts for Global Action - Contributing to NDCs through Education and Training

- Facilitator: Dr. Emmanuel Tachie-Obeng

Principal Programme Officer, Ghana Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

National Focal Point for Action for Climate Empowerment (ACE)

Group Work on Linking Education Policies to NDC policies

- Facilitator: Dr. Philip Vaughter (UNU-IAS)

- Sustainable Consumption and Production

- Moderator: Dr. Zinaida Fadeeva (Advisor on Sustainable Consumption and Production to the First RCE Thematic Conference)

Multi stakeholder assessment as learning towards SCP actions

- Facilitators: Prof. Robert B. O'Donoghue (Environmental Learning Research Centre (ELRC) - Rhodes University/RCE KwaZulu Natal), and Zinaida Fadeeva (Advisor on Sustainable Consumption and Production to the First RCE Thematic Conference)

13:00 - 14:00

Lunch

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14:00 - 15:30

Workshop Sessions II

Biodiversity Ecosystem Services,
Indigenous and local knowledge:



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Introduction to Stronger Science-Policy interface in RCEs

- Facilitator(s): Mr. Naoya Tsukamoto (UNU-IAS) or/and Dr. Unnikrishnan Payyappallimana (UNU-IAS) (TBC)

IPBES and Policy Support Tools and Methodologies (Skype Session)

Policy Support Tools and Methodologies

- Facilitator: Dr. Claire Brown (UNEP-WCMC)

Linkages with Policy Process in ASEAN Region

- Facilitator: Dr. Clarissa C Arida (ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity)

- Climate Change
- Moderator: Dr. Philip Vaughter (UNU-IAS)

Introduction to Workforce Training on Climate Change

- Facilitator: Ms. Cristina Rekasavas
Training Associate, Green Development and Climate Change,
United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)

Introduction to Gap between knowledge and action in Climate Action

- Facilitator: Dr. Isabel Franco (JSPS Fellow, UNU-IAS)

Workshop on Mapping Knowledge-Action Gaps in Climate Curriculum

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Co-facilitator: Dr. Philip Vaughter (UNU-IAS) - Co-facilitator: Dr. Riyanti Djalante (UNU-IAS) - Co-facilitator: Ms.Cristina Rekakavas (UNITAR) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainable Consumption and Production Towards Sustainable Food Systems - Methodologies for Capacity Development and Engagement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderator: Zinaida Fadeeva (Advisor on Sustainable Consumption and Production to the First RCE Thematic Conference) <p><i><u>Engagement with international processes and localization of SCP and SDGs</u></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Co-facilitator: Prof. Mario Tabucanon (UNU-IAS) - Co-facilitator: Dr. Sara Castro (UNOSD)* - Co-facilitator: Dr. Arab Hoballah (SWITVH-Asia SCP Facility)* <p>*NB: Dr. Castro and Mr. Hoballah are connected via skype</p>	
15:30 - 16:00	Break	Foyer
16:00 - 17:30	<p>Plenary IV: Closing Plenary Moderator: Dr. Philip Vaughter (UNU-IAS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reporting and Reflection from breakout sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Unnikrishnan Payyappallimana (UNU-IAS), Dr. Riyanti Djalante (UNU-IAS), Dr. Zinaida Fadeeva (Advisor on Sustainable Consumption and Production to the First RCE Thematic Conference)/ or rapporteurs of the sessions • Reflection from Participants • Recap of the Conference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prof. Mario Tabucanon (UNU-IAS) 	Convention Hall West



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dr. Hiroki Fujii (Vice-Chair, Steering Board of Okayama ESD Promotion Commission) ▪ Prof. Dr. Hiroshi Kanzaki (Deputy President, Okayama University) ▪ Mr. Naoya Tsukamoto (Project Director, UNU-IAS) 	
18:30 - 21:00	Farewell Dinner <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RCE Award Giving Ceremony 	The Mielparque Okayama Hotel

Time	Thursday, 7 December (Day3)	Venue
08:30 - 13:00	Field Trip 1) Okayama City: Visits to High school, Kominkan (Community Centre), Nature Observation Tour 2) Maniwa City: Biomass Tour	Tour bus will depart from Okayama Convention Center 1F
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 - 17:30	Field Trip 1) Okayama City: Visits to Kominkan (Community Centre), Nature Observation Tour 2) Maniwa City: Biomass Tour	

Note: Programme is subject to change.

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