

International Symposium Synergy effects derived from the biodiversity conservation and local benefit in tropics

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SCOPE AND PERSPECTIVES

For the implementation of ARD activities in tropics, biodiversity and local benefit should be seriously considered and incorporated. In REDD+ (Reducing Emission from Deforestation and Degradation), for example, these are included as two major issues of “safeguard” for its practice. Without consideration of these aspects, any kind of ARD would result in vain. This is very evident from the failed practice of revegetation trials in the post-logging degraded area or denudation for the land use changes. In such circumstances, no forest resources will be sustained for longer term. Nevertheless, these two issues are frequently observed as typical examples of “tradeoff” relationship, such as intensive use of the forest resource or production-oriented resource management system, and they will possibly lead the deterioration of biodiversity. Therefore, for seeking the co-benefit between the biodiversity and local community (people), we have to study thoroughly the parameter influencing each of the issues. In other words, local governance including forest management regime, secure access to resources and land ownership are controlling parameters for optimizing the co-benefit of biodiversity and local people. In this symposium, inviting experts on this field in Myanmar and Malaysia we would like them to elaborate the topics related to these issues and discuss any possibility for developing the tools and schemes that maintain the co-benefit in tropics.

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Program

Time	Topics	Speakers
9:15 - 9:25	Opening remarks	T. Okuda <i>Hiroshima University</i>
9:25 - 10:10	Greeting remarks	A. Nakano <i>Ministry of the Environment</i> T. Takada <i>Vice President, Hiroshima University</i> Y. Yasuoka <i>Former Deputy DG, NIES</i>
10:10 - 11:50	Keynote speeches	
10:10 - 10:30		Thaung Naing Oo <i>Director General, Myanmar Forest Research Institute</i>
10:30 - 10:45	Coffee break	
10:50 - 11:10		M. Amano <i>Waseda University</i>
11:15 - 11:35		Ismail Harun <i>Deputy DG, Forest Research Institute, Malaysia</i>
11:50 - 13:20	Lunch break	
13:30 - 14:30	Panel discussion	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tools and schemes for co-benefit SATOYAMA initiatives 	K. Morita <i>FFPRI</i> Y. Takeuchi <i>NIES</i> Mazlan Hashim, <i>Universiti Teknologi Malaysia</i> T. Yamada <i>Hiroshima University</i> Ei Hlaing <i>Myanmar Forest Department</i>
14:30 - 14:40	Closing remarks	T. Okuda <i>Hiroshima University</i>