

ESD Symposium  
「ESD and Teacher Trainings」  
‘For our children and future generation’

「Education for Sustainable Development (ESD)」 is one of urgent challenges for our future. With respect to international aid, implementing ESD with raising global perspectives is beneficial not only to the target countries but also to the educational situation in the aid countries. Although 「Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (DESD)」 is in the middle stage, the popularity of ESD has been low due to the poor practice of ESD among Japanese educational scene. Therefore, this symposium aims at firstly learning some outcomes from ESD practice in Japanese teaching trainings supported by the International Corporation Initiative. Secondly, it pursues outlines of international aids with global ESD promotion including networking among JICA, UNESCO, and UNU by recognizing the current situation of developing countries.

Date: 22/2/2009 (Sun)

Venue: Sendai International Center ‘hagi-no-ma’ (2F)

Time: 10:00-17:00

**Program**

**10:00-10:30 Opening Session**

Chair: Prof. Hiroshi Fujita, Head of Research Center for Education in International Understanding

Opening Remarks 5 minutes each

- Mr. Kousuke Takahashi, President of MUE
- Mr. Atsumu Iwai, Ministry of Education Secretariat international section, international cooperation policy room international cooperation Special Assistant
- Mr. Naoki Kai, JICA Tohoku area president
- Mr. Akito Terao, National Federation of UNESCO Association in Japan
- Ms Tomoko Shibao , ACCU Education Division

**10:30-12:00 Keynote Speech**

Chair: Prof. Hiroshi Fujita, Head of Research Center for Education in International Understanding

Keynote Speech: 「Teaching Training and International Aid, Tetsuo Tamura, the Japanese National Commission for UNESCO domestic committee

### **13:00-14:30 Session 1 Current situation of ESD practice and challenges**

Chair: Mr. Masahisa Sato, Musashi Institute of Technology

#### Reports

- Belize (15 minutes)  
Ms. Dorette Perez, Sacred Heart College Junior College Division, Belize,
- Nepal (15 minutes), Prof. Basu Dev Kafle Tribhuvan University Faculty of Education
- Education practice in Madagascar (15 minutes)  
Ms. Rvaeloarinoro Marie Gisele
- ESD in Japanese Universities (20 minutes)  
Tomohito Kitamura, Nagoya University
- International initiatives and international exchange education (15minutes)  
Takashi Muramatsu, Miyagi University of Education
- Discussion

### **14:45-16:30 Session 2 Teacher Training and School assistance in global society**

Chair: Prof. Takaaki Koganezawa, Miyagi University of Education

Greeting Speech, Yoshihiro Natori, UNU-IAS Senior Fellow

- 「Cooperation with external organizations and system-making in school」, Toshio Teshima, President of Shinonome Elementary School
- 「Promotion of ESD in Teacher Training University」, Hidenori Ubukata, head of ESD Center of Hokkaido University of Education
- 「School Assistance by University: Network of UNESCO School assistance university」  
Prof. Kitabee Tanaka, Institute of Teacher Training, Iwate University  
Associate Prof. Hiroshi Asanuma, Graduate School of Environmental Studies Tohoku University  
Associate Prof. Shino Mori, Graduate School of Environmental Science Okayama University

### **17:00-19:00 Dinner party**