

Program

09:00-09:30	Registration
09:30-09:40	Opening Remarks Masa Iwanaga (President of JIRCAS)
09:40-10:00	Welcome Remarks Masamichi Saigo (Director General, Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Research Council Secretariat) Kazuhiko Takemoto (Director, United Nations University, Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability)
Key-note Speech MC: Kunihiro Doi (Director, Research Strategy Office, JIRCAS)	
10:00-10:05	Key-note Speech 1 - Introduction of speaker
10:05-10:45	“Harnessing agricultural biodiversity for improved nutritional quality, more effective climate change adaptation and better rural livelihoods” M. Ann Tutwiler (Director General, Bioversity International)
10:45-10:50	Key-note Speech 2 - Introduction of speaker
10:50-11:30	“Why the Quality of Growth Matter? - from JICA's experiences” Ichiro Tambo (Director, JICA Research Institute)
11:30-11:50	Coffee break (group photo)
Session A: Researches for climate-resilient and sustainable agriculture MC: Akinori Oshibe (Program Director, JIRCAS)	
11:50-11:55	Introduction of the session
11:55-12:20	“To establish an agricultural system which harmonizes human life with the environment through smart use of rural resources in a regional environment - JIRCAS's climate change initiatives for the Mekong Delta, Vietnam” Yasukazu Hoson (Project Leader, JIRCAS)
12:20-12:45	“Conservation agriculture as a climate change resilient option – Case studies in Asia and Africa” Yuji Niino (Land Management Officer, FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific)
12:45-12:50	Wrap up of the session
12:50-14:00	Lunch

Session B: Approaches to enhance stable food production and consumption in Africa

MC: **Takeshi Kano** (Program Director, JIRCAS)

14:00-14:05	Introduction of the session
14:05-14:30	“A way to strengthen the role of cowpea in West Africa” Satoru Muranaka (Researcher, JIRCAS)
14:30-14:55	“Responding to consumers’ preference in African rice markets: Experiences of Africa Rice Center” Rose Edwige Fiamohe (AfricaRice)
14:55-15:00	Wrap up of the session

Session C: Evaluation of the various uses of indigenous resources and establishment of value chains in Asia

MC: **Masayoshi Saito** (Program Director, JIRCAS)

15:00-15:05	Introduction of the session
15:05-15:30	“Uses of Non-Timber Forest Products in Lao PDR and their values” Kenichiro Kimura (Senior Researcher, JIRCAS)
15:30-15:55	“Efforts in Thailand for value chain establishment and international collaboration” Patcharee Tungtrakul (Director, IFRPD, Kasetsart University)
15:55-16:00	Wrap up of the session
16:00-16:15	Coffee break
16:15-16:55	Wrap up discussion MC: Kunihiro Doi (Director, Research Strategy Office, JIRCAS) with three session MCs for “high-quality” research solutions (in Japanese)
16:55-17:00	Closing Remark Osamu Koyama (Vice President, JIRCAS)