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1. Background and Outlook:

The Agricultural and Forestry Research Center of the University of Tsukuba has been nominated by UNESCO as an Associated Center of the Asia-Pacific Program of Educational Innovation for Development (APEID) in the field of vocational and technical education, and has organized the Tsukuba Asian Seminar on Agricultural Education (TASAE) and more recently the International Symposium on Agricultural Education for Sustainable Development (Ag-ESD Symposium) annually since 1979.

TASAE has gained an excellent reputation as an international agricultural program under APEID from the timely themes of each term. The themes of TASAE for each term were as follows:

- 1979-1981 【 The second term of APEID 】
 Agricultural Education at the Secondary Level in Asia
- 1982-1986 【 The third term of APEID 】
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- 1987-1991 【 The fourth term of APEID 】
 Education and Research for Higher Agricultural Productivity Conserving Nature Agro-ecosystem in Asian and Pacific Countries
- 1992-1996 【 The fifth term of APEID 】
 Education and Research for Sustainable Development of Agriculture and Conserving Nature and Agro-ecosystem in Asian and Pacific Countries
- 1997-2001 【 The sixth term of APEID 】
 Innovative strategies for linking agricultural and environmental education in Asia-Pacific countries for the 21st century
- 2002-2007 【 The seventh term of APEID 】
 The utilization and conservation of the water resources for human survival, bioproduction and the environment considering sustainable development, and the role of agro-environmental education
- 2008-2013 【 The eighth term of APEID 】
 Promotion of Ag-ESD for the Development of a Sustainable Future
- 2014-2020 【 The ninth term of APEID 】
 Global Action Program

The Ag-ESD Symposium 2014 was held from November 10th to November 14th at the University of Tsukuba and focused on issues in The Role of Universities in Promoting Agricultural Education for Sustainable Development. The 2014 Symposium was also sponsored in collaboration with the Japan National Commission for UNESCO, JICA, Ibaraki University and the International Cooperative Education Program for Creation of Harmonious Asian Countries. Seventeen participants from 7 countries: Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia, USA, Malaysia, Afghanistan, Ghana, Zambia, and Japan. In addition, more than 70 university students presented posters during the poster session.

2. This Year's Theme:

Ag-ESD Symposium for Global Action Program

3. Objective:

We will focus on issues in " food loss and food waste".

What is food loss and food waste?

(Copied from <http://www.fao.org/food-loss-and-food-waste/en/>)

Food loss and food waste refer to the decrease of food in subsequent stages of the food supply chain intended for human consumption. Food is lost or wasted throughout the supply chain, from initial production down to final household consumption. The decrease may be accidental or intentional, but ultimately leads to less food available for all. Food that gets spilled or spoiled before it reaches its final product or retail stage is called food loss. This may be due to problems in harvesting, storage, packing, transport, infrastructure or market / price mechanisms, as well as institutional and legal frameworks.....

Our Ag-ESD organizing committee set "food loss and food waste" as our target in our Ag-ESD symposium 2015. Improving and decreasing for "food loss and food waste" is critical issues, and requires many contribution and cooperation based on science and technology of agricultural, food, and environment.

4. Organization:

The Agricultural and Forestry Research Center of the University of Tsukuba organizes the symposium under the auspices of the APEID program of UNESCO.

5. Co-sponsors:

The Graduate School of Life and Environmental Sciences, University of Tsukuba, College of Agro-biological Resource Sciences, University of Tsukuba, The Alliance for Research on North Africa (ARENA), University of Tsukuba, the International Cooperative Education Program for Creation of Harmonious Asian Countries of the University of Tsukuba, JICA Tsukuba International Center and Japan International Research Center for Agricultural Sciences (JIRCAS) are additional sponsors of this year's symposium.

6. Auspices:

Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology Japan (MEXT), Japan National Commission for UNESCO and Ibaraki University.

7. Date:

November 16 – 20, 2015

The schedule of the symposium will be as follows:

- November 15 (Sun.) Arrival at Narita, Japan
- November 16 (Mon.) – November 20 (Fri.)

Invited Lectures, Discussion with students, Poster Presentations, and Study visit

- November 21 (Sat.) Departure from Narita, Japan

8. Venue:

November 16 (Mon.) – November 20 (Fri.) University Hall, University of Tsukuba, Tsukuba, Ibaraki, Japan

9. Invited Participants:

1) International experts:

International experts involved in agricultural education for sustainable development with technological innovations to reduce environmental impacts in Asian-Pacific countries are the most suitable for fulfilling the objectives of the symposium. The participants will be experts in an area relevant to the symposium theme and will review the actual situation in his/her institution and country.

2) Japanese experts and commentators:

Several Japanese experts and commentators from various scientific fields relevant to the theme will also be

invited.

10. Main Working Language:

English

11. Preparatory Work:

1) Report:

To meet the objectives of the symposium, each invited participant is requested to prepare a presentation for the meeting and write a full paper to publish after the meeting. **Please send a one page Summary** (approximately 500 words) of your presentation in the format of the attached form with a recent color picture to the organizing committee of the Ag-ESD Symposium by **September 1, 2015**

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Page 1

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Title: Genetic Studies on Tick Ecdysteroid Regulation for Development of Sustainable Tick Control Strategies

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Summary

Ticks are exoparasites of mammals and important pests of livestock. Presently, tick control depends on use of acaricides and pesticides commonly used in integrated pest management.

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Key words: tick, ecdysteroid, arthropod growth regulator, ecdysteroid receptor, IPM

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Introduction

Blood feeding arthropods directly cause great damage to livestock as well as transmit various diseases. Mosquitoes, flies and ticks are the major exoparasites (Peter et al., 2005). Ticks transmit diseases (de Waal, 2000; Mayo and Masika, 2008).

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Main Body

2. Tick life strategies

Ticks are blood feeding acari belonging to the class Arachnida and are classified into three families: Ixodidae, Argasidae and Nuttallidae. Hard ticks live in grassy fields and go through one larval, (Fig. 1; Table 2). Figure 2 shows the numbers of ticks

6. Conclusions and recommendations for integrated tick management

Genetic analysis provides basic knowledge about the regulation of molting and reproduction in arthropods and may lead to the development of tools for tick control.

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