## Announcement

for

# The 24th Tri-University International Joint Seminar & Symposium 2017

## Population, Food, Energy, Environment & Children October 23 – October 27, 2017 Mie University, Japan

#### Welcome

The 24<sup>th</sup> Tri-University International Joint Seminar & Symposium will be held at Mie University from October 23 to October 27, 2017. Mie University will gladly serve as host for this event.

In 1994, Mie University organized the 1<sup>st</sup> Tri-University International Joint Seminar & Symposium (hereafter: the Seminar) in cooperation with two partner universities, Chiang Mai University and Jiangsu University. The Seminar has become a regular event. Bogor Agricultural University was newly added as one of the host universities from 2011.

### Background

Over a decade ago, Mie University sought possible opportunities to make international exchange more fruitful for university students, beyond the exchange of academic information among the partner universities. Recognizing the importance of human resources capable of working together worldwide in the midst of rapid internationalization and globalization, the Seminar was established with a focus on students. The Seminar offered them opportunities to meet and discuss global issues, such as population, food, energy and environment.

The three founder universities agreed to host the program in turn. Partner universities having exchange agreements with the three host universities were also invited to take part. Although the number of participating universities has increased, the name of the Seminar retains the term "Tri-University" to this day, commemorating the three founder universities and their continuing leading roles in the Seminar.

#### Objectives

- (1) To give university students opportunities to develop mutual understanding and friendship with fellow students from overseas through real interaction.
- (2) To give them opportunities to improve their ability to communicate with people from various counties, and to present and discuss papers in English, which is the most important international language today.
- (3) To let them cultivate international awareness, so that they will be able to tackle global issues and to solve problems in cooperation with people from diverse professional fields.
- (4) To give them practice in preparing presentation materials and organizing what they have to say within a limited time in a manner that everybody can understand.

#### Themes

The Seminar provides students, researchers and faculties with an open forum to discuss topics under the following themes:

<Population> <Food> <Energy> <Environment> & <Children>

The original four themes (Population, Food, Energy and Environment) continue to define the overall framework of the Seminar. These themes are related to each other and are important for the sustainable, harmonious development and survival of human society. They are the key factors in improving our lives in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. One additional theme was selected this year in order to invite more participants from related fields.

## **Conference Fee**

Participants from overseas will be charged a conference fee of 40,000JPY per person which includes expenses after arriving at Chubu International Airport until their departure from the same airport (domestic transportation, meals, parties, accommodation and conference registration fee).

#### **Call for Papers & Nominations Participants**

The application form is attached in the end of this document. The title and abstract of the presentation paper and the participant's name should be received by Mie University no later than June 28, 2017. The final manuscript is due August 30.

Deadlines June 16: Submission of Title, Abstract and Application FormAug. 21: Paper Submission (Full-length Camera-Ready Paper)Aug.31: Notice of Acceptance

#### Notice for Authors

Authors are requested to prepare manuscripts in English in the appropriate format. Each author accepts full responsibility for the content of his/her own paper and ensures that the paper submitted to this Seminar has never been published elsewhere. The copy right of the proceedings of the Seminar belongs to the Organization Committee of the 24<sup>th</sup> Tri-University International Joint Seminar & Symposium 2017.

## **Oral Presentation Sessions & Poster Sessions**

Authors will be given twelve minutes for oral presentations plus three minutes question time (total of fifteen minutes). In addition, questions, answers and discussions will be freely exchanged during poster sessions. Authors are expected to provide materials for poster sessions as well.

## Awards for Best Presenters

We intend to give the Best Presentation Award to an author of each theme. Authors are encouraged to mark on of the five themes clearly on an application form.

#### Language

English is the official language at the Seminar. Interpreting will not be officially provided.

#### Registration

All participants should register for the meeting on October 23, 2017 as shown in the schedule below.

## Overview

The following is the tentative schedule for activities during the event. The finalized program will be sent in September.

October 23 (Mon)	Arrival/Registration, Optional Company Tours, Welcome Party
October 24 (Tue)	Opening Ceremony, Taking Souvenir Photos, Seminar & Symposium, Workshop Meeting
October 25 (Wed)	Excursion
October 26 (Thu)	Seminar & Symposium, Workshop Meeting, Key Persons Meeting,
	Farewell Party
October 27 (Fri)	Workshop Presentation, Awarding & Closing Ceremony & Leave for the airport

## **Pick-up and Transportation**

All the delegations are requested to arrive at the Chubu Centrair International Airport, Nagoya on October 23, 2017. Our staff will meet you at the airport. We would like to know your travel schedule as soon as possible. Delegations are expected to arrive to be in time for the Opening Ceremony at 9:00 pm on October 24, 2017

## Accommodation

Hotel accommodations will be arranged by Mie University for all the participants during the program held from the night of October 23 to the morning of October 26 (4 nights and 5 days).

## Visas

Participants from foreign countries may contact the Embassy or Consulate of Japan in their vicinity for visa applications. We will prepare and provide the necessary documents for your entry visa. We would appreciate it if you could contact us for the necessary documents as early as possible.

Sincerely yours,

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