Public Symposium
International Symposium on Rural Food System, Sharing Network, and Ecosystem Services in Socio-Ecological Production Landscapes

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Summary
‘Satoyama-satoumi’ is a Japanese term for socio-ecological production landscapes and seascapes (SEPLS) characterized by a dynamic mosaic of different types of ecosystems that maintain high levels of biodiversity and produce bundles of ecosystem services. One of the unique characteristics of SEPLS is the sharing of provisioning services – such as forest, agricultural and marine products – within and beyond communities. Research findings demonstrate how encouraging sharing and co-management of ecosystem services can strengthen localized models of sustainable societies in harmony with nature. In this symposium, we will share relevant research findings on rural food systems, sharing networks, and ecosystem services in both developing and developed countries, and identify the challenges and opportunities associated with co-management of SEPLS.

Programme (14:00-17:30)
14:00-16:00  Presentation Session
• Steven Van Passel (Hasselt University, Belgium)
• Dirk Roep (Wageningen University, Netherlands)
• Osamu Saito and Chiho Kamiyama (UNU-IAS)
• Shizuka Hashimoto (Kyoto University, Japan)
• Ryo Kohsaka (Kanazawa University, Japan)
16:00-16:30  Break
16:30-17:30  Panel Discussion

Registration
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