

MARCO Workshop



A New Approach to Soil Information Systems for Natural Resources Management in Asian Countries

Date : Oct. 14-15, 2008

Venue : Tsukuba International Congress Center, Japan

Soil Information System (SIS) provides soil information related to crop productivity, assessment and conservation of environmental quality, wildlife habitats, and global warming and energy concerns. The objectives of this workshop are to review the current status of SIS or available soil data, to exchange information on SIS, to share technological know-how establishing a SIS, and to discuss the possibility of establishing of a regional SIS for sustainable crop production in Asia, USA and Europe.

We will prepare a room for poster presentation. For the poster presentation, please register and submit the abstract, referring to the workshop web site.

Sponsor : National Institute for Agro-Environmental Sciences (NIAES),
Food & Fertilizer Technology Center (FFTC)

Supporter (Tentative): Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Japanese Society of Soil Science and Plant Nutrition, Japanese Society of Pedology, Japanese Council of Soil Survey

Registration : Please refer to the workshop web site.

Workshop web site: <http://www.niaes.affrc.go.jp/marco/2008workshop/>

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Program **Simultaneous interpretation between English & Japanese**

Oct. 14 (Tue)

9:30 - 12:00 I. Soil Information System in USA and Europe

W.R.Effland (Natural Resources Conservation Service, USA)

L.Montanarella (European Soil Bureau, Italy)

13:00 - 17:30 II. Toward Development of Soil Information System for Asian Countries

Z.S. Chen (National Taiwan University, Taiwan)

K.C. Song (National Institute of Agricultural Science and Technology, Korea)

M. Nanzyo (Tohoku University, Japan)

P.Eswaran (Malaysia University of Science and Technology, Malaysia)

T. Ota (National Agricultural Research Center, Japan)

Q.D. Ho (National Institute for Soils and Fertilizers, Vietnam)

17:30 - 19:00 Welcome Party (Banquet fees 5,000 yen)

Oct. 15 (Wed)

9:30 - 16:30 III. Development and Application of Soil Information System in Asian Countries

H. Obara (National Institute for Agro-Environmental Sciences, Japan)

H.Y. Guo (Taiwan Agricultural Research Institute, Taiwan)

S.Y. Hong (National Institute of Agricultural Science and Technology, Korea)

T. Honma (Niigata Agricultural Research Institute, Japan)

S. Sukchan (Land Development Department, Thailand)

R.B.Carating (Bureau of Soils and Water Management, Philippines)

M. Nakai (National Institute for Agro-Environmental Sciences, Japan)

12:30 - 14:30 Poster Presentation

16:45 - 17:30 General Discussion