



Second Symposium

## **Community-based Activities and Governance for Seascape Restoration**

20 Sep 2022 13:00-16:30 JST

United Nations University, Tokyo Japan

### [Description](#)

The UN General Assembly decided to mark the 10 years from 2021 as the "UN Decade of Ecosystem Restoration." The Decade was also featured in statements by Ministers and Prime Ministers at G20 and G7. In addition, the current discussion on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework is pondering setting a target on ecosystem restoration. There is a strong need for multi-stakeholders to work together to restore ecosystems in this decade. Given the multiple benefits of ecosystem restoration, our endeavour to restore the planet is also indispensable to achieve the SDGs.

Coastal ecosystems are recognized as some of the most vulnerable ecosystems due to the various pressures they are under. Such as changes in land-sea use, the balance of sediment and nutrients supply from upstream, unsustainable management of marine resources, and sea-level rise. Therefore, not only is conservation required, but also active human interventions to restore and enrich coastal ecosystems and biodiversity.

Satoumi is a coastal seascape that supports biodiversity and culture. Satoumi is mainly managed by a coastal community and developed by a long-term relationship between humans and ocean.

The second event of the Satoumi and Ecosystem Restoration Symposium series will focus on blue carbon ecosystems restoration (mangrove, seagrass, and salt marsh) and citizen science application. We will listen to worldwide practitioners of blue carbon ecosystem restoration and discuss how we can enhance/strengthen restoration efforts.

## Organizers

Ocean Policy Research Institute of the Sasakawa Peace Foundation (OPRI-SPF)

United Nations University Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-  
IAS)

International Partnership for the Satoyama Initiative (IPSI)

Ministry of the Environment, Government of Japan (MOE-J)

## Languages

English/Japanese

## Format

Online

## Programme

1300	<b>Opening Session</b> Shinobu Yamaguchi (Director, UNU-IAS) Hide Sakaguchi (President, OPRI-SPF) <b>Introduction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Overview of First Symposium (Makiko Yanagiya, UNU-IAS)</li><li>- Impact of Climate Change and Biodiversity Conservation in <i>Satoumi</i> (Junko Toyoshima, OPRI-SPF)</li></ul>
1330	<b>Session 1: Citizen Science and Coastal Ecosystem Restoration</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Coastal ecosystem conservation and citizen science - Cases of Shiretoko World Natural Heritage and Indonesia - (Mitsutaku Makino, Atmosphere and Ocean Research Institute, University of Tokyo)</li><li>- Coast Card Project in Chesapeake Bay (William Dennison, University of Maryland)</li><li>- Citizen-Centered Ecosystem Restoration in Tokyo Bay (Keita Furukawa, Association of Shore Environment Creation)</li></ul> Q&A, Discussion
1420	Break (5min)
1425	<b>Session 2: Blue Carbon Ecosystem Restoration</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Activities of the International Blue Carbon Initiative (Steve Crooks, The International Blue Carbon Initiative)</li><li>- Local actions on blue carbon ecosystem restoration in</li></ul>

	<p>Yokohama and introduction of Japan Blue Economy Association (Masato Nobutoki, Japan Blue Economy Association)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Restoration of Eelgrass beds and satoumi activities in Hinase, Bizen City (Takehiro Tanaka, Satoumi Research Institute)</li> </ul> <p>Q &amp; A, Discussion</p>
1515	Break (10 min)
1525	<p><b>Session 3: Panel Discussion</b></p> <p>-SDG14 and Japan's Basic Plan of Ocean Policy</p> <p>Moderator: Naomi Harada (University of Tokyo)</p> <p>Panellists (TBC):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Keita Furukawa</li> <li>- Takehiro Tanaka</li> <li>- Yohei Mori (MOEJ)</li> <li>- Hiroetsu Aoyama (MLIT)</li> </ul>
1625	Closing Remarks Naohisa Okuda (Director General, Nature Conservation Bureau, MOEJ)