



First Symposium

Community-based Activities and Governance for Seascape Restoration

9 February 2022 15:00-17:50 JST

International Conference Hall, Ocean Policy Research Institute, Tokyo Japan

Description

The UN General Assembly has 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 in 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 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.

Local stakeholders in a Satoumi have many good practices to restore the coastal ecosystem. To support these local stakeholders, a series of symposiums will shed light on their efforts and governance and will pursue the following purposes:

- Building momentum toward the UN decade on Ecosystem Restoration especially for coastal ecosystems in the Satoumi context.

- Networking of like-minded stakeholders on Satoumi restoration through sharing information on good practices and challenges.
- Identifying gaps in Satoumi restoration to develop policy recommendations.
- Developing synergy between the UN decade of Ocean Science and the UN decade on Ecosystem Restoration.

Organizers

Ocean Policy Research Institute (OPRI)

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

1500	<p>Opening and Introduction</p> <p>Atsushi Sunami (President, Sasakawa Peace Foundation)</p> <p>Shinobu Yamaguchi (Director, UNU-IAS)</p>
1510	<p>Session 1: Ecosystem Restoration, Coastal Ecosystem and Satoumi</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration (Makiko Yashiro, UNEP) - Coastal Ecosystem from Climate Change and Biodiversity Perspective (Miko Maekawa, OPRI) - Restoration and Conservation of Coastal Seascapes, Satoumi. (Evonne Yiu, UNU-IAS)
1540	<p>Session 2: Good Practices on Satoumi Restoration</p> <p>Moderator: Tomonari Akamatsu, OPRI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coral Reef Restoration in Onna Village, Okinawa (Masami Yamashiro, Onna Village Fisheries Cooperative/ Megumi Kanai, Okinawa Environment Science Center, Japan) - Ecosystem management and preserving work by a fisherman's community In Orbetello: a fine line (Guido

1620	<p>Gualandi, Associazione Grani Antichi Montespertoli, Italy)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Satoumi Restoration in Shizugawa Bay (Takuzo Abe, Minamisanriku Nature Center, Japan) - Collaborative mangrove conservation: A key to coastal resilience of Alitas community in Quezon Province (Dixon Gevana, University of the Philippines Los Baños, Philippines) <p>Q and A</p>
1635	Break
1645	<p>Session 3: Community Based Restoration and Policy Instruments</p> <p>Moderator: Tsunao Watanabe (UNU-IAS, IPSI)</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Makoto Kobayashi (Environment Planning Division, MOEJ) - Toshimasa kawaasaki (Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism) - Morio Kaneko (Ecosystem Conservation Division, Fishery Agency) - Masami Yamashiro (President, Onna Village Fisheries Cooperative) - Takuzo Abe (Research Fellow, Minamisanriku Nature Center)
1745 1750	<p>Closing Remarks Naohisa Okuda (Director General, Nature Conservation Bureau, MOEJ)</p>