

## 連携国際集会助成報告書

### 1. 集会タイトル・場所・日時・主催・共催

タイトル Scientific Exploration and Sustainable Management of Tropical Peatland Ecosystems

場所 Riau University, Pekanbaru, Indonesia

日時 2010.10.20

主催 Global COE Program, Kyoto University / Riau University

### 2. プログラム（もし事前提出と変更あれば別添）

添付ファイル

### 3. 当日参加者のおよその人数

100 人

### 4. 研究集会の内容報告（活動報告書）

The title of this symposium was “Scientific Exploration and Sustainable Management of Tropical Peatland Ecosystems.” It was held at Riau University on 20 October 2010 and was organized by the Global Center of Excellence (COE) program of Kyoto University and Riau University. Many established and new scientists from both Japan and Indonesia who are interested in “Tropical Peatland Ecosystems” gathered at Riau University for the symposium. The participants came from Kyoto University, Ehime University, Riau University, LIPI, Bogor Agriculture University, and Gadjah Mada University.

In the opening speech, Professor Dr. Aras Mulyadi explained that Riau University was striving to increase the number of peatland experts through this symposium and through its partnership with Kyoto University. Professor Yasuyuki Kono discussed the close relationship between the Center for Southeast Asian Studies of Kyoto University and Indonesian institutions over the past few decades. He put forth that interdisciplinary collaboration is a highly worthwhile pursuit in modern globalized society.

Some of the topics that were being examined at the Giam Siak Kecil-Bukit Batu Biosphere Reserve area, where collaborative research between Riau University and Kyoto University has been carried out, were presented. This was explored not just from an ecological viewpoint, but also in terms of the surrounding environment and human relations. Presentations from various perspectives were given.

The presentations could be roughly divided into two aspects:<sup>1</sup> “Ecology” and “Human utilization and management.”<sup>2</sup> In the “Ecology” field, studies included soil science, biomass estimation and monitoring, biodiversity inventory and monitoring, and so on. In the “Human utilization and management” field, studies included “indigenous knowledge and livelihood” research and “REDD<sup>3</sup>” topics. The symposium included various disciplines, from environmental science to anthropology and social science, from the micro-scale to the macro-scale. There were discussions from diverse perspectives as well.

Various participants, including graduate students, post-doctoral researchers, lecturers, and professors, spoke at the symposium and participated in the discussion. The lectures from the various research approaches were difficult for all of the participants to understand, yet delving deeper into the specific field remained important. It is essential to consider several points of view, and we hoped that this was what many of the participants felt.

At the end of the symposium, we reaffirmed the mutual cooperation for future research, especially between Riau University and Kyoto University. This symposium also had another important aim, namely, for Riau University to establish “The Center for Tropical Peatland Studies,” which launched on the same day. I am confident that this symposium was a success for both the Japanese and the Indonesian side, and that it provided a space for both established and new researchers to exchange ideas for future collaboration.

Many ambitious students from Riau University participated. The participation of young people encouraged us more than anything else because it is these minds that we need in order for “sustainable management” research to proceed.

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## 5. プロシーディングスの有無と今後の出版などの予定

プロシーディングス なし

出版予定 なし

**Notes:**

1. Please note that a colon introduces something whereas a semicolon joins two independent clauses in a single sentence.
2. Please note that commas and periods go on the inside of double quotation marks.
3. Can this abbreviation be defined in the text or will it be understood by all readers?

**Additional Note:**

- The summary of this symposium provides a good overview of the content and the important points. It conveys all pertinent points to the reader. Well done.