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International Special Session on Estuary Development and Long-Term Environmental Changes in East Asia 13 January 2019 (Sunday) Shimane University, Matsue, Shimane, Japan

The Joint Meeting of the 26th New Year's Meeting of the Estuary Research Center and the 7th Annual Symposium of the Japanese Association for Estuarine Science

12 (Saturday) - 13 (Sunday) January 2019

Venue: Interdisciplinary Faculty of Science and Engineering 1st building, Room 21, Shimane University, Matsue, Shimane, JAPAN

1. Special International Session

We live in a constantly changing environment. Estuary systems, in particular, have been highly affected by recent environmental change. Because of their location at river mouths along the coastal plain, estuaries sit at the interface between land, ocean, and atmosphere. Although some of the historical changes in estuary regions are due to natural processes, it is well known that anthropogenic activities are responsible for many of the estuarine environment and ecosystem problems. On the other hand, estuaries are key places sustaining human life and productivity. Humans are a very important part of the history of estuarine development and we play a role in its long-term environmental change. Estuaries develop and evolve throughout the world in response to global sea-level and climate changes. Regional comparison is essential for understanding the unique features of each estuarine system. This meeting will hold a special international session focused on sharing information on Asian estuarine environmental history.

2. About this joint symposium:

The Joint Meeting of the 26th New Year's Meeting of the Estuary Research Center and the 7th Annual Symposium of Japanese Association for Estuarine Science will be held in Matsue, Japan, January 12–13, 2019. The objective of this symposium is to exchange the latest scientific information on present systems and past environmental changes of estuaries and surrounding lowland areas. The term 'estuary' here is defined broadly, including not only a river mouth, but also lowland lakes, lagoons, and coastal zones. The language of the general session (Saturday) is primarily Japanese. The special international session (Sunday) will be in English.

3. Important date and Fees

Registration form submission deadline is November 15, 2018.

Abstract submission deadline is December 3, 2018.

Registration fee: Japanese Yen 5,000 for regular participants and Japanese Yen 3,000 for

students (includes the abstract book and Conference Dinner ticket)

4. Tentative schedule

Venue: Room 21, Interdisciplinary Faculty of Science and Engineering 1st building, Shimane University (see Access Map)

January 12 (Saturday):

Morning: General Session Afternoon: General Session

18:00–20:00: Conference Dinner (Izakaya in Matsue City)

January 13 (Sunday):

Morning: General Session

Afternoon: Special International Session [Estuary Development and Long-Term

Environmental Change in East Asia]

5. Guide for presentation

Oral presentations only: please note that there will be no poster session.

· Presentation time is 15 minutes, including questions.

* However, if the number of presentations is larger than expected the presentation time may be shortened.

There are [general sessions], [special sessions], [international special session].

General sessions are divided into four themes: [Environmental change], [Environmental Fluid Dynamics], [Aquatic Ecology], and [General Estuary].

6. Registration

On-line registration is via e-mail (to: kisui@soc.shimane-u.ac.jp). Registration can be done by the submission of abstract and registration form. Please use this subject line: [Registration form for the Joint Symposium]. Please contact us in advance if you plan to join the conference dinner, before <u>December 3, 2018</u> (See Registration Form). We accept on-site registration without presentation or conference dinner participation. However, if participants need an abstract book, on-line registration in advanced is requested.

7. Abstract submission

The abstract submission can be done by e-mail to (kisui@soc.shimane-u.ac.jp). Please use the attached abstract format [abst_form2019_English]. You can insert figures or images in the abstract, but be aware that the abstract volume is printed in black and white only. The pdf version of the abstract book will be in color.

8. Program

The detailed program will be provided in mid-December. Symposium information is also available on the following websites:

Estuary Research Center, Shimane University (http://www.esrec.shimane-u.ac.jp/)
The Japanese Association for Estuarine Science (http://www.jaes.shimane-u.ac.jp/)

9. Student privileges

- Student presenters purchasing an abstract book can become a student member of the Japanese Association for Estuarine Science for the coming three years without membership fee.
- This joint meeting provides two awards of excellence for students: [Prize from the president of the Japanese Association for Estuarine Science] and [Prize from the director of the Estuary Research Center].

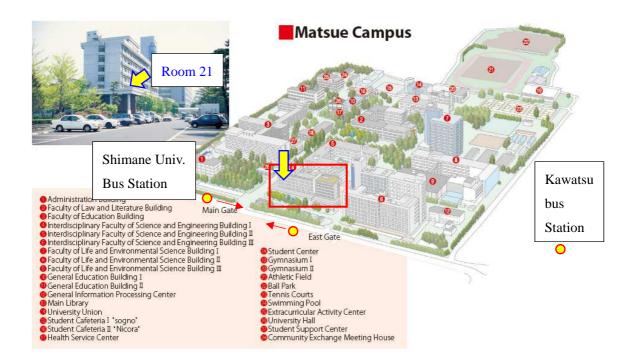
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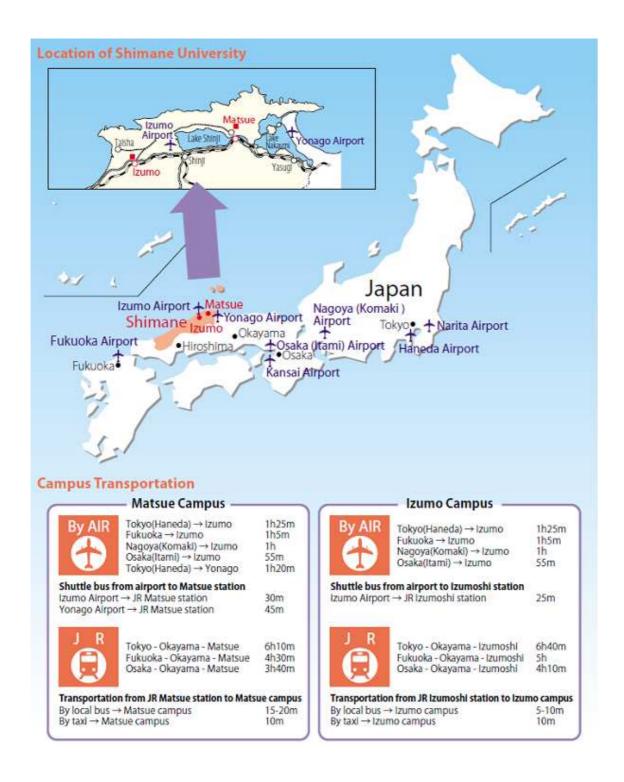
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Nishikawatsu-cho 1060, Matsue, Shimane 690-8504, JAPAN

From Airport to Shimane University

Izumo or Yonago Airport→ (Shuttle Bus: 30 minutes from Izumo or 45 minutes from Yonago) → Matsue Station→ (Local City Bus, bus stop #1, No. 92 bus: about 15 minutes or Ichibata Private Bus, bus stop #2, No. 12 bus: about 20 minutes) → Shimane University bus stop (Just before the main gate of Shimane University) or Kawatsu bus stop (East Side of Shimane University)





11. Visa and hotels:

Foreign citizens must obtain a Japanese visa before entry into Japan, with the exception of visa-free countries, which are based on relevant agreements or regulations. It is strongly recommended that international participants contact the conference secretariat by November 15 with registration forms and relevant information (flight schedule, hotels, and so on).

Hotels: There are many hotels in Matsue City. Please book a room by yourself through travel websites.

12. Organizations:

Host organizations

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