



# 8<sup>th</sup> Asian Wetland Symposium (AWS2017) — Wetlands for Sustainable Life —

7–11 November 2017, Saga, Japan

## 6<sup>th</sup> Wetland Link International (WLI) – Asia Conference 6 November 2017

Hotel Grande Hagakure, Saga, Japan

### PROGRAM



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# Program

6 (Mon) November		
9:00 – 18:00	6th Wetland Link International-Asia Conference	Flower Hall C (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
14:00 – 18:00	On-site registration of AWS2017	In front of Flower Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)

7 (Tue) November		
8:30 –	On-site registration open	Entrance Lobby (1 <sup>st</sup> Floor)
9:30	Opening of AWS2017	
9:30 – 10:00	Opening Ceremony <small>*Simultaneous interpretation (Japanese-English) will be provided</small>	
10:00 – 11:40	Plenary keynote presentations <small>*Simultaneous interpretation (Japanese-English) will be provided</small>	
10:00 – 10:25	<b>Wetlands and Sustainable Development</b> Martha Rojas-Urrego, Secretary General, the Ramsar Convention Secretariat	Flower Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
10:25 – 10:50	<b>Conservation Strategy on Wetlands and Biodiversity of Japan</b> Naohisa Okuda, Biodiversity Policy Division, Nature Conservation Bureau, Ministry of the Environment, Japan	
10:50 – 11:15	<b>25th Anniversary of AWS and the Prospects for the Next 25 Years</b> Hiroji Isozaki, Visiting Professor of Sophia University	
11:15 – 11:40	<b>Restoration of Chilika Lake: A Journey from Montreux Record to Ramsar Wetland Conservation Award, and the Way Forward</b> Ajit K. Pattnaik, Vice President of Wetlands International South Asia, Ex Chief Executive of Chilka Development Authority	
11:40 – 13:30	Lunch Break	
12:00 – 13:00	<b>Side Event: Commemorating 25th Anniversary of Asian Wetland Symposium</b> <i>Organizer:</i> Ramsar Center Japan	Flower Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
13:30 – 16:00	<b>Ariake Sea Session</b> <i>Convener:</i> Gunji Aramaki / Yasuhisa Henmi / Yuichi Hayami <small>*Simultaneous interpretation (Japanese-English) will be provided</small>	Flower Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
13:30 – 16:00	<b>Characteristics of the Marine Environment in Ariake Sea</b> Yuichi Hayami, Saga University	
	<b>Animals and Plants in Tidal Flat of Ariake Sea</b> Yasuhisa Henmi, Kumamoto University	
	<b>Reproduction of Mudskippers: Aerial Embryos Developing in a Mudflat Burrow</b> Atsushi Ishimatsu, Nagasaki University	
	<b>Wild Birds in Ariake Sea (Past, Present, and Future)</b> Akiyuki Miyahara, Wild Bird Society of Japan, Saga	
	<b>Toward Restoration of Ariake Sea by Means of an Integrated Studies “CoHHO” Collaborated with Its Relevant Social Movement “The Sea is Longing for the Forest”</b> Masaru Tanaka, Kyoto University	
	<b>Efforts toward Revitalization and Creation of Ariake Sea</b> Yoshiyuki Kawakami, Ariake Bay Rehabilitation Organization	
	<b>Traditional Fisheries of Ariake Sea</b> Kango Nakao, MAE-UMI Citizens' Association, independent photographer	
	<b>Festival and Culture in Ariake Sea Coastal Area</b> Gunji Aramaki, Specified Nonprofit Corporation, Ariakekai Gururin Net	
<b>The History of Nori Farming in Tokyo Bay and Trial to Pass Down It to Later Generation</b> Fumihiro Koyama, Nori no furusato kai (Omori Nori Museum)		
16:00 – 16:10	<b>Introduction of National Geographic Society – Asia</b> Jay Lee, National Geographic Society – Asia	
16:10 – 16:40	Break	
16:40 – 18:10	<b>Mayors Roundtable: Conservation and Wise Use of the Ramsar Sites</b> <i>Coordinator:</i> Yukihiro Shimatani <small>*Simultaneous interpretation (Japanese-English-Korea) will be provided</small>	Flower Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
16:40 – 18:10	<i>Presentation by</i> Toshihiko Asada, Mayor of Arai City <i>Presentation by</i> Hisatoshi Higuchi, Mayor of Kashima City <i>Presentation by</i> Toshiyuki Hideshima, Mayor of Saga City <i>Presentation by</i> Choong Hoon Cho, Mayor of Suncheon City, Korea <b>Discussion</b>	
18:10 – 18:30	Break	
18:30 – 20:30	Welcome Reception	Harmony Hall (1 <sup>st</sup> Floor)

8 (Wed) November		
8:30 –	On-site registration open	In front of Flower Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
9:00 – 11:30	<b>Session 1: Wetlands and Disaster Risk Reduction / Climate Change</b> <i>Chair:</i> Yukihiro Shimatani / <i>Co-Chair:</i> Rebecca D'cruz / <i>Rapporteur:</i> To be determined <small>*Simultaneous interpretation (Japanese-English) will be provided</small>	Flower Hall B and C (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
9:00 – 9:25	<b>Keynote: The Role of Wetlands for Disaster Risk Reduction</b> Naoya Furuta, Taisho University / IUCN	

9:25 – 9:40	<b>Carbon Retention in Sediment by Check Dams in Phayao Province, Thailand</b> Chotiwut Techakijvej, Chiang Mai University	Flower Hall B and C (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
9:40 – 9:55	<b>Evaluating the Impacts of Hydrological Variations on Carbon Fluxes in Tropical Peatlands</b> Chandrashekhar Deshmukh, Asia Pacific Resources International Limited (APRIL)	
9:55 – 10:10	<b>Lessons Learned in Building Community Resilience: 100 Villages on the Bank of 3rd Largest River System of Peninsula of India in 5 years</b> Saswata Kumar Mohapatra, NET – COAST	
10:10 – 10:25	<b>Impact of Climate Change on the Wetlands of Bangladesh</b> Sanowar Hossain, Bangladesh POUSH	
10:25 – 10:40	<b>Reducing Fire on Peatlands in Indonesia – Experiences and Lessons Learnt from an International Cooperation Project in West Kalimantan, Indonesia</b> Yuki Arai, University of Tokyo / JICA	
10:40 – 10:55	<b>Interventions for Wetland Conservation in the Pampanga River Basin and Candaba Wetlands, Philippines</b> Minerva J Martinez, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Philippines	
10:55 – 11:10	<b>Huge Water Channel Construction Project with Nature and Human Friendly Approach in the Sendai River</b> Kiyofumi Kobayashi, Kyushu University Graduate School of Engineering	
11:10 – 11:25	<b>Wetlands for a Disaster Resilient Asia: Legal Agenda</b> Amado Jr. Samala Tolentino, Ramsar Center Japan	
<b>9:00 – 11:30</b>	<b>Session 2: Wetlands and Policy / Changes / International Cooperation</b> <i>Chair: Sansanee Choowaew / Co-Chair: Tomoko Ichikawa / Rapporteur: Bernard O’Callaghan</i>	Flower Hall A (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
9:00 – 9:25	<b>Keynote: China’s New National Policy on the System of Wetland Conservation and Restoration</b> Yan Fang, State Forestry Administration, China	
9:25 – 9:40	<b>Ramsar COP as a Turning Point of Awareness and the Present Activities: Some Cases to Promote Local Awareness through International Collaboration and Understanding Impressing with the Concept of Wise Use</b> Yoshikatsu Kikuchi, Kushiro International Wetland Centre	
9:40 – 9:55	<b>Spoon – billed Sandpiper Conservation in the Internationally Importance Wetland Gulf of Mottama</b> Pyae Phyo Aung, Biodiversity And Nature Conservation Association BANCA	
9:55 – 10:10	<b>The Montreux Record under the Ramsar Convention: An Eeffective Mechanism for Promoting State Party Compliance?</b> Evan Hamman, Queensland University of Technology	
10:10 – 10:25	<b>The Establishment of Southeast Asian Limnological Society Network SEAL – Net</b> Mashhor Mansor, Universiti Sains Malaysia	
10:25 – 10:40	<b>Team SPOON: Creating Connection of People and Nature for Sustainable Society and East Asia Peace</b> Akane Tokorodani, Tokyo Institute of Technology and Team SPOON	
10:40 – 10:55	<b>Yellow Sea Region Coordinated Waterbird Survey</b> Kelin Chen, Wetlands International – China	
10:55 – 11:10	<b>Opportunities to Promote Cooperation on the Conservation and Wise Use of Wetlands between Asia and the Pacific</b> Solongo Khurelbaatar, Ramsar Convention on Wetlands	
<b>11:30 – 13:30</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>11:30 – 12:00</b>	<b>Core time for Poster Session I</b> *During this core time, each poster presenter is required to stand at the front of his/her poster to explain to and discuss with the audience	Symphony Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
<b>11:30 – 13:30</b>	<b>Session 5 -1: Wetlands and Youth – Part 1</b> <i>Chair: Yuma Sato / Co-Chair: Munetugu Kawashima / Rapporteur: Atsushi Tanabe</i>	Ariake Room (3 <sup>rd</sup> floor)
11:30 – 13:30	<b>Keynote: The Environmental Activities of Youth Ramsar Japan (YRJ), NGO Organized by Students Ranging from Junior High School Students to Graduate Students</b> Takuma Satoh, Youth Ramsar Japan	
	<b>Fundamental Study on Conservation and Restoration of River Estuaries Habitat - Classification of Estuary and Their Transitions since 1900s</b> Atsushi Tanabe, Kumamoto University	
	<b>The Value of Wetlands and What We Students Should Do for It – Take Hengshuihu Wetlands for Example</b> Yiqing Hu, Wetlands International-China	
	<b>My Observation of Satus of Wetland</b> Wenling Kou, Beijing University Affiliated High School	
	<b>Obligation to the Wetland Conservation of the Youth</b> Ruichen Zhang, Beijing No. 14 High School	
	<b>The Youth Frontier Transforming Waste to Wealth – A Case of Novel Efforts by Young Entrepreneurs towards the Struggle for Depolluting the Holy River Ganges</b> Sreeya Patnaik, Xavier Institute of Management	
	<b>Can youth help wetlands?</b> Fumi Kasahara and Ibuki Kurumatuka, Osaki Ikimono club	
	<b>CEPA activities of Taishi High School Science Club</b> Takahiro Fukushima, Kumamoto Prefectural Taishi High School	

11:30 – 13:30	<b>Activities of Yonago Waterbird Sanctuary Jr.Ranger Club to Foster Mind for Protecting Wonderful Our Local Nature to the Next Generation</b> Hiromi Hayashi, Yonago waterbird sanctuary, Ranger Club	Ariake Room (3 <sup>rd</sup> floor)
	<b>An Assessment of Species Diversity and Abundance of Waterbirds in Gulf of Mottama Wetland, Myanmar</b> Min Thiha Zaw, Biodiversity and Nature Conservation Association (BANCA)	
	<b>Youth-in-Action for Ecosystem-based Disaster Risk Reduction (Eco-DRR) and Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA)</b> Darry Shel Malla Estorba, Society for the Conservation of Philippine Wetlands, Inc	
	<b>The Study of Grey Water Footprint of Inorganic-Rice Cultivation for The Lower Central Plain Management in Thailand: Case Study in Nakhonchaisi District, Nakhon pathom Province</b> Nichakant Kerdnamchai, Mahidol University	
	<b>River Continuum Concept and Ecological Health Monitoring of Loei River, North-Eastern Thailand</b> Thanayaporn Katesuja, Chiang Mai University	
<b>12:00 – 13:00</b>	<b>Side Event: Population Decline of Migratory Waterbirds and Habitat Changes – Shorebirds as Indicators</b> <i>Organizers:</i> EAAFP Secretariat / Ramsar Network Japan / BirdLife International Tokyo	Flower Hall A (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
<b>12:00 – 13:00</b>	<b>Side Event: Why Otters Are Recovering Elsewhere in the World?</b> <i>Organizers:</i> Otter Research Group Japan / Ramsar Center Japan	Flower Hall B and C (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
<b>13:30 – 15:30</b>	<b>Session 3: Wetlands and Use of Natural Resources / Agriculture / Fisheries / Food Security</b> <i>Chair:</i> Sanowar Hossain / <i>Co-Chair:</i> Chitchol Phalaraksh / <i>Rapporteur:</i> Shiina Suzuki *Simultaneous interpretation (Japanese-English) will be provided	Flower Hall B and C (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
13:30 – 13:55	<b>Keynote: Living in Harmony with Nature</b> Muneharu Nakagai, Toyooka City	
13:55 – 14:10	<b>Lake Urmia Restoration via Local Community Participation in Sustainable Agriculture</b> Neda Asad Falsafi Zadeh, Iran Department of Environment	
14:10 – 14:25	<b>Response of Freshwater Farmers to the Environmental Changes: a Case Study of Thailand</b> Suvaluck Satumanatpan, Mahidol University	
14:25 – 14:40	<b>National Reclamation Project and “Ariake Sea Disaster”: “Open – gate Survey” for the Harmony of Healthy Fishery and Agriculture</b> Tamotsu Sugunami, The Ariake Sea Network of Fishermen and Citizens	
14:40 – 14:55	<b>Locally Managed Marine Areas LMMAs – A Pathway to Holistic and Integrated Island Management and Sustainable Development: A Fiji Case Example</b> Alifereti Tawake, Network International, Fiji	
14:55 – 15:10	<b>New Forest Commons towards Solving the Underuse of Satoyama from Fishers’ Initiatives in Japan</b> Shimpei Iwasaki, Fukuoka Women’s University	
<b>13:30 – 15:30</b>	<b>Session 4: Urban Wetlands / Wetland City / Natural Infrastructure</b> <i>Chair:</i> Gea Jae Joo / <i>Co-Chair:</i> Bishnu Bhandari / <i>Rapporteur:</i> Norman Ramirez	Flower Hall A (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
13:30 – 13:55	<b>Keynote: Urban Wetlands and Governance Challenges in the Two Indian Mega Cities of Chennai and Bengaluru</b> Sandhya Chandrasekharan, Centre for Biodiversity Policy and Law CEBPOL of the National Biodiversity Authority	
13:55 – 14:10	<b>Making a Wooden Footbridge Connecting Nature and People in an Artificial Wetland</b> Akihiko Higuchi, Kyushu University	
14:10 – 14:25	<b>Sustainable Management of Urban Lakes Environment and Ecosystem: A study on Lakes of Udaipur</b> Sonal Gupta, Lingaya University	
14:25 – 14:40	<b>Conservation of Karang Mumus River and Swamps di North Samarinda: Efforts by Clean Karang Mumus River Movement and Stakeholders’ Responses</b> Martinus Nanang, Mulawarman University	
14:40 – 14:55	<b>Horseshoe Crab Habitat Conservation and Coastal Zone Management in Japan</b> Satoquo Seino, Kyushu University	
14:55 – 15:10	<b>Urban Wetlands and Mosquito Borne Disease Problem in Chiang Mai, Thailand</b> Panida Rahong, Chiang Mai University	
15:10 – 15:25	<b>Wetland Services for Elementary Urban Planning: Perspective from Bangladesh</b> Abu Jubayer, Local Government Engineering Department (LGED)	
<b>15:30 – 16:00</b>	<b>Break</b>	
<b>16:00 – 18:00</b>	<b>Session 5-2: Wetlands and Youth – Part 2</b> <i>Chair:</i> Takuma Sato / <i>Co-Chair:</i> Yuki Arai / <i>Rapporteur:</i> Atsushi Tanabe *Simultaneous interpretation (Japanese-English) will be provided Discussion based session among young participants on the theme of “What kind of activities can youth do for the conservation and wise use of wetlands in the future?”	Flower Hall B and C (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
<b>16:00 – 18:00</b>	<b>Session 6: Wetlands and Sustainable</b> <i>Chair:</i> Chen Kelin / <i>Co-Chair:</i> Shimpei Iwasaki / <i>Rapporteur:</i> Muzzalifah Abd Hamid	Flower Hall A (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
16:00 – 16:25	<b>Keynote: Entry Fees for Environmental Services in Community Based Ecotourism: An Experience from Bishazaari Wetland of Nepal</b> Maheshwar Dhakal, Ministry of Forests and Soil Conservation, Nepal	
16:25 – 16:40	<b>To Bring Awareness of Appreciation for the Culture &amp; Environment by Providing Low Impact Activities that Promote Conservation &amp; Preservation through Socially Responsible and Environmentally Sensitive Interaction with People, Landscape and Ecosystems</b> Kasimiro Talemaivatuwiri Taukeinikoro, Rivers Fiji Ltd	

16:40 – 16:55	<b>Promoting the Implementation of Environmental Treaties for Sustainable Tourism: In the Light of the Ramsar Convention</b> Shiina Suzuki, Sophia University Graduate School of Global Environment	Flower Hall A (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
16:55 – 17:10	<b>Biodiversity Value of Meinmahla Kyun Wildlife Sanctuary Ramsar Site and Development of Ecotourism for the Communities</b> Zau Lunn, Fauna & Flora International – Myanmar	
17:10 – 17:25	<b>Initiative by the Reformed Bird Hunters of Mangalajodi Marsh, Chilika Lake, India for Successful Conservation of Biodiversity and Sustainable Tourism</b> Ajit Kumar Pattnaik, Wetlands International South Asia	
17:25 – 17:40	<b>Integration of Visits to Crab Banks in Sustainable Tourism</b> Sansanee Choowaew, Mahidol University	
<b>18:00 – 18:30</b>	<b>Break</b>	
<b>18:00 – 18:30</b>	<b>Core Time for Poster Session II</b> *During this core time, each poster presenter is required to stand at the front of his/her poster to explain to and discuss with the audience	Symphony Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
<b>18:30 – 20:30</b>	<b>Session 7: Wetlands and Culture</b> <i>Chair: Motokazu Ando / Co-Chair: Yu Lulu / Rapporteur: Tatporn Kunpradid</i>	Flower Hall A (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
18:30 – 18:55	<b>Keynote: Wetland Culture in Conservation: Meaning, Concept &amp; Application</b> Bishnu B. Bhandari, Nepal Wetlands Society	
18:55 – 19:10	<b>Bio – cultural Diversity and Flood Control in the Kameoka Basin Floodplain</b> Katsue Fukamachi, Kyoto University	
19:10 – 19:25	<b>People’s Perception towards Wetland Culture</b> Puspa Lal Pokhrel, Tribhuvan University	
19:25 – 19:40	<b>Influence of Wetland in the Culture of Bangladesh</b> Tapas Ranjan Chakraborty, Jahangirnagar University	
19:40 – 19:55	<b>Traditional Conservation Strategies in Botswana’s Wetlands</b> Tidimane Ntsabane, University of Botswana	
<b>18:30 – 19:30</b>	<b>Side Event: Learning about Wetlands through Wetland Education Centers</b> <i>Organizer: Ramsar Regional Center -East Asia (RRC-EA)</i>	Flower Hall B and C (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)

## 9 (Thu) November: Filed visits

<b>8:00 – 18:30</b>	<b>Arao Course</b>
7:45	Getting together at the entrance hall of Hotel Grande Hagakure
8:00	Bus starting from the hotel (punctually) – 9:40 Isahaya Reclamation Project Site – 11:20 Port Taira – (by ferry) – 12:50 Port Nagasu -13:10 Lunch at Hotel Verde – 14:30 Manda-ko Miike Mining Heritage – 16:00 Arao -higata Ramsar Site – 18:30 Hotel Grande Hagakure
<b>8:30 – 17:00</b>	<b>Saga Course</b>
8:15	Getting together at the entrance hall of Hotel Grande Hagakure
8:30	Bus starting from the hotel (punctually) – 8:50 Saga Eco Plaza – 10:15 Saga Water History Museum - 11:30 Lunch at a local restaurant – 12:15 Higashiyoka-higata Ramsar Site – 14:20 Mietsu Naval Dock Heritage Site – Saga Baloon Museum – 17:00 Hotel Grande Hagakure
<b>9:00 – 17:00</b>	<b>Kashima Course</b>
8:45	Getting together at the entrance hall of Hotel Grande Hagakure
9:00	Bus starting from the hotel (punctually) – 10:00 Hizen Kashima-higata Ramsar Site – 11:20 Yutoku Inari Shrine and Lunch – 13:30 Hamayado Historical Walk – 15:00 Michi no Eki and Higata Museum Center – 17:00 Hotel Grande Hagakure

## 10 (Fri) November

<b>8:30 –</b>	<b>On-site registration open</b>	In front of Flower Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
<b>9:00 – 11:30</b>	<b>Session 8: Wetlands and CEPA (Communication, Capacity building, Education, Participation and Awareness) / ESD (Education for Sustainable Development)</b> <i>Chair: Chris Rostron / Co-Chair: Seung Oh Suh / Rapporteur: Hiromi Yamashita</i>	Flower Hall B and C (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
9:00 – 9:25	<b>Keynote: Localizing ESD Best Practice for Wetland Conservation- From Mai Po Nature Reserve to South China Region</b> Lydia Lee, WWF-Hong Kong	
9:25 – 9:40	<b>Building Capacity of the Local Communities Towards Conservation and Wise Use of Wetlands through CEPA Approach in Eastern Part of India</b> Durga Prasad Dash, Pallishree	
9:40 – 9:55	<b>Penang Seagrass Project – An Environmental Education Project to Encourage Volunteerism &amp; Field Education</b> Hong Jing Ng, Nature Classroom, Malaysia	
9:55 – 10:10	<b>How to Promote Flyway-wide Activities and Involve Key National Stakeholders</b> Tomoko Ichikawa, East Asian-Australasian Flyway Partnership	
10:10 – 10:25	<b>Adventure Time in Shezi Island, Tamsui River: Explore Our Hometown</b> Szu Ting Hsu, Guandu Nature Park	
10:25 – 10:40	<b>Efforts and Challenges for Coastal Stability and Conservation with Proper Natural Resources Management in Sundarbans Region, Bangladesh</b> Hideki Sato, Japan Environmental Education Forum (JEEF)	
10:40 – 10:55	<b>BioBlitz in Hong Kong: Best Practice Sharing in Wetlands CEPA</b> Jenna Ho Marris, Tai Tam Tuk Eco Education Centre	

10:55 – 11:10	<b>Development of Wetland School in China</b> Xiuzhi Yang, Wetlands International-China	Flower Hall B and C (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
<b>11:30 – 13:30</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>11:30 – 12:00</b>	<b>Core Time for Poster Session III</b> *During this core time, each poster presenter is required to stand at the front of his/her poster to explain to and discuss with the audience	Symphony Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
<b>9:00 – 11:30</b>	<b>Session 9: Wetlands and Biodiversity / Restoration / Reintroduction</b> <i>Chair: Ajit Pattnaik / Co-Chair: Mashhor Mansor / Rapporteur: Ji Yoon Kim</i>	Flower Hall A (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
9:00 – 9:25	<b>Keynote: Present status and future prospects of the nature restoration in coastal lagoon Lake Nakaumi, Japan</b> Hidenobu Kunii, The Nature Restoration Committee of Lake Nakaumi	
9:25 – 9:40	<b>Haor of Bangladesh and Present Scenario</b> Md Golam Rabbi, Nature Conservation Society	
9:40 – 9:55	<b>Threats to the Biodiversity Rich Henoko/Oura bay – Ramsar Candidate Site</b> Mariko Abe, The Nature Conservation Society of Japan	
9:55 – 10:10	<b>Introduction to Configuration Concept of Aquatic Acrophytes in Lake Ecological Restoration - An Example of Ecological Restoration in Gonghu Bay</b> Li Yan Qi, Research Association of Wuxi Wetland Protection and Construction	
10:10 – 10:25	<b>Anthropogenic Decline of the Mudflat-Specific Fauna and Flora in Japan: Significance of the Restoration of the Estuary in Isahaya Bay in the Ariake Sea</b> Masanori Sato, Kagoshima University	
10:25 – 10:40	<b>Re-establishment of the Eurasian Otter in South Korea</b> Sungwon Hong, Pusan National University	
10:40 – 10:55	<b>Securing Management Measures of Wild Deer in Kushiro Marsh, the First Ramsar Site in Japan</b> Satoshi Kobayashi, Kushiro Public University	
10:55 – 11:10	<b>Linking Wetland Bird Ecology with Human Activities in Multiple-Use Wetlands in India</b> Shivona Suneel Bhojwani, Wildlife Conservation Society-India	
<b>11:30 – 13:30</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>13:30 – 16:30</b>	<b>Prenary Session</b>	Flower Hall A and B (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
<b>13:30 – 14:15</b>	<b>Summary of Sessions</b> <i>Moderator: Emiko Nagakura</i>	
<b>14:15 – 15:30</b>	<b>Discussion on Saga Statement</b> <i>Chair: Yukihiro Shimatani / Co-chair: Yoshihiro Natori / Rapporteurs: Yuki Arai, Shiina Suzuki</i>	
<b>15:30 – 16:00</b>	<b>Break</b>	
<b>16:00 – 16:30</b>	<b>Closing Ceremony</b> Awarding Ceremony for AWS Poster Award Adoption of Saga Statement	Flower Hall A and B (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
<b>16:30</b>	<b>Closing of AWS2017</b>	

## 11 (Sat) November

<b>10:00 – 12:30</b>	<b>Public Symposium in Saga</b> The symposium aims at sharing the outputs of AWS2017 with local citizens including children and youth activity involved in conservation of wetlands along the Ariake Sea coast. *Working language of this public symposium is Japanese	Higashiyoka Cultural Hall
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## Poster Session

### 8 (Wed) November

<b>9:00 – 12:00</b>	<b>Poster Session I</b>	Symphony Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
<b>11:30 – 12:00</b>	<b>Core Time</b> *During this core time, each poster presenter is required to stand at the front of his/her poster to explain to and discuss with the audience	
	<b>Presenters of Poster Session I</b> Jitendriya Naik (India) / Xin Qian (China) / Shadananan Nair (India) / Zheng Zang (China) / Maria Retchie Pagliawan (Philippines) / Yukio Nagahama (Japan) / Kengo Kurata (Japan) / Misuzu Aoki (Japan) / Ranjana UK Piyadasa (Sri Lanka) / Tapas Ranjan Chakraborty (Bangladesh) / Choon Beng How (Singapore) / Joseph Yves ZOA ZOA (Cameroon) / Teruki Hamada (Japan) / Fumiko Taura (Japan) / Prava Pandey (Nepal) / Serapion N. Tanduyan (Philippines) / Nathan Justice Gahungu Makuregye (Uganda) / Yasuhiko Takeshita (Japan) / Eriko Takeuchi (Japan) / Jie Fei (China) / Kamal Thapa (Nepal) / Zhanel Karina (Kazakhstan) / Kimihiko Maekawa (Japan) / Kunihiro Otonari (Japan) / Naoki Fujii (Japan) / Miho Hiruma (Japan) / Yuji Morimoto (Japan) / Md Tajul Islam (Bangladesh) / Liangzhong Chen (China) / Md Golam Rabbi (Bangladesh) / Asaduzzaman Miah (Bangladesh) / Wardi Kasinath (India) / Hye-Ji Oh (Korea) / Tony Whitten (United Kingdom) / Shigeya Nagayama (Japan) / Rika Fukumoto (Japan) / Natsumi Shimada (Japan) / Ryoichi Watanabe (Japan) / Toshihisa Asano (Japan) / Hiromi Yamashita (Japan) / Nobumichi Kurosawa (Japan) / Masayuki Takada (Japan)	

<b>13:30 – 18:30</b>	<b>Poster Session II</b>	<b>Symphony Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)</b>
<b>18:00 – 18:30</b>	<b>Core Time</b> *During this core time, each poster presenter is required to stand at the front of his/her poster to explain to and discuss with the audience	
	<b>Presenters of Poster Session II</b> Rowena P. Varela (Philippines) / Kiyofumi Kobayashi (Japan) / Muneyuki Nakaji (Japan) / Neda Asad Falsafi Zadeh (Iran) / Hiroshi Tomida (Japan) / Takuji Arai (Japan) / Yoshiyasu Fujimura (Japan) / Muzzalifah Abd Hamid (Malaysia) / Haramaini Arifin (Malaysia) / Tatsuya Shibahara (Japan) / Soichi Okayama (Japan) / Chotika Ya-anan (Thailand) / Chindanai Jaitamart (Thailand) / Thakdanai Paotajai (Thailand) / Anastasia Volkova (Russia) / Yuki Ozaki (Japan) / Haruki Kume (Japan) / Taiyou Kiyota (Japan) / Takuma Ezoe (Japan) / Takahiro Araragi (Japan) / Kamal Kumar Rai (Nepal) / Gea-Jae Joo (Korea) / Joy M. Navarro (Philippines) / Yi-Fen Jan (China [Taiwan]) / Amy M. Lecciones (Philippines) / Eui-Jeong Ko (Korea) / Shigekazu Ichiki (Japan) / Masumi Kimoto (Japan) / Kantaro Tabiraki (Japan) / Hiroshi Matsuura (Japan) / Naoki Fujii (Japan) / Cheng Chung-chieh (China [Taiwan]) / Siti Norasikin Ismail (Malaysia) / László Bozó (Hungary) / Serapion N. Tanduyan (Philippines) / Pankaj Chandan (India) / Po-Hsiu Kuo (China [Taiwan]) / Tomoko Minagawa (Japan) / Takio Sano (Japan) / Rasuna Mishima (Japan) / Sakura Maesaki (Japan) / Takuya Ishibashi (Japan) / Takuma Ono (Japan)	

<b>10 (Fri) November</b>		
<b>9:00 – 12:00</b>	<b>Poster Session III</b>	<b>Symphony Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)</b>
<b>11:30 – 12:00</b>	<b>Core Time</b> *During this core time, each poster presenter is required to stand at the front of his/her poster to explain to and discuss with the audience	
	<b>Presenters of Poster Session III</b> Bahram Choubin (Iran) / Azamat Kalyevich Tynybekov (Kyrgyzstan) / Jun Teramura (Japan) / Ji Yoon Kim (Korea) / Daria Mathew Abullah (Malaysia) / Minoru Kashiwagi (Japan) / Ana Michelle J. Talitod (Philippines) / Hisashi Takahashi (Japan) / Masayuki Kurechi (Japan) / Norichika Matsuo (Japan) / Kyohei Takizawa (Japan) / Tomoki Takebayashi (Japan) / Satya Prakash Mehra (India) / Takehisa Yamakita (Japan) / Hiroki Mori (Japan) / Yun Yun Wong (Malaysia) / Injun Son (Korea) / Satya Prakash Mehra (India) / Asae Sayaka (Malaysia) / Geng Shuyuan (Japan) / Mohammad Shafi Sharifi (Afghanistan) / Hironori Hayashi (Japan) / Takashi Shimoyamada (Japan) / Aryo Adhi Condro (Indonesia) / Acharya Chinmaya Mishra (India) / Irina Ivanovna Volkova (Russia) / Pin-Hsiu Lisa Chou (China [Taiwan]) / Prayitno Goenarto (Indonesia) / Muhammad Iqbal (Indonesia) / Lucita Jasmin (Indonesia) / Wing-Sun Chow (China [Hong Kong]) / Sivasothi N. (Singapore) / Kana Takeyama (Japan) / Kazuki Kanno (Japan) / Kengo Saito (Japan) / Jinen Kita (Japan) / Hiroki Iyooka (Japan) / Masao Nagasaka (Japan) / Mitsuhiro Aizu (Japan) / Takehiro Watanabe (Japan) / Kiwamu Kawaguchi (Japan) / Yuuko Iizuka (Japan)	

## Side Event

<b>7 (Tue) November</b>		
<b>12:00 – 13:00</b>	<b>Commemorating of the 25th Anniversary of Asian Wetland Symposium</b> Ramsar Center Japan The Special Side Event on the Silver Jubilee Celebration of AWS including a presentation of reviewing report on achievement of AWS titled “Commemorating the 25th Anniversary of Asian Wetland Symposium” and a panel discussion by several key participants who have continuously supported the organization of AWS since 1992.	<b>Flower Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)</b>
<b>8 (Wed) November</b>		
<b>12:00 – 13:00</b>	<b>Population Decline of Migratory Waterbirds and Habitat Changes – Shorebirds as Indicators</b> EAAFP Secretariat / Ramsar Network Japan / BirdLife International Tokyo Japanese wetlands, especially tidal flats, act as significant staging sites for migratory waterbirds of the East Asian-Australasian Flyway. The purpose of this side event is to set an opportunity to share the past and current situation of tidal flats, humans and migratory birds in Japan among different age groups and stakeholders from different regions and countries. It also aims to discuss how we can work together to save existing coastal wetlands in Asia.	<b>Flower Hall A (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)</b>
<b>12:00 – 13:00</b>	<b>Why otters are recovering elsewhere in the world?</b> Otter Research Group Japan / Ramsar Center Japan The Japanese otter has been red-listed as extinct since 2012. In February 2017, however, an otter was photographed at Tsushima Island, Japan. In Korea, distribution of the Eurasian otter is steadily expanding even in urban environments. In Singapore, during these five years, the smooth-coated otter has settled in modern urban areas and co-existing peacefully with human. Why this wetlands ambassador started to recover elsewhere in the world?	<b>Flower Hall B and C (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)</b>
<b>18:30 – 19:30</b>	<b>Learning about Wetlands through Wetland Education Centers</b> Ramsar Regional Center – East Asia (RRC-EA) Not many people are aware of the benefits that wetlands offer. Wetlands provide services in the form of water filtration and flood protection, inter alia, and also serve as habitat for a variety of flora and fauna. Thus, raising the awareness of the general public on this topic is important and needs to be carried out through effective ways. Wetland education centers provide a platform to promote and maximize learning about wetlands. This side event intends to highlight good practices being applied by selected wetland education centers in Asia that are members of Wetland Link International (WLI).	<b>Flower Hall B and C (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)</b>

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Flower Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)			Plenary keynote presentations			Side Event: Commemorating 25th Anniversary of AWS								
							Ariake Sea Session		Mayors Roundtable		Welcome Reception			
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Flower Hall A (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)		Session 2: Wetlands and Policy / Changes / International Cooperation										Session 7: Wetlands and Culture		
					Side Event: Population Decline of Migratory Waterbirds and Habitat Changes									
					Session 3: Wetlands and Use of Natural Resources / Agriculture / Fisheries / Food Security									
					Session 4: Urban Wetlands / Wetland City / Natural Infrastructure				Session 6: Wetlands and Sustainable					
Flower Hall B and C (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)		Session 1: Wetlands and Disaster Risk Reduction / Climate Change			Side Event: Why Otters Are Recovering Elsewhere in the World?			Session 5-2: Wetlands and Youth – Part 2						
					Side Event: Learning about Wetlands through Wetland Education Centers									
Symphony Hall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)		Poster Session I .....Core Time					Poster Session II .....Core Time							
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Flower Hall B and C (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)		Session 9: Wetlands and Biodiversity / Restoration / Reintroduction												
Flower Hall A and B (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)		Session 8: Wetlands and CEPA (Communication, Capacity building, Education, Participation and Awareness) / ESD (Education for Sustainable Development)												
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