



7th Asia Pacific Meeting of Regional Centre of Expertise

August 26, 2014
USM, RCE Penang, Malaysia

Review of 6th Asia Pacific RCEs Meeting

- + RCE Kitakyushu
- + Hosted by RCE Kitakyushu, the 6th AP RCE Meet was attended by more than 56 participants representing 15 member RCEs and 1 new candidate, RCE Waikato (New Zealand).
- + See brochure

Today's Agenda : What to aim for?

- + Meet & Understand the “family” of RCEs in Asia Pacific
 - + Progress of the global RCE Movement
 - + Introduction of new/candidate RCEs
- + Understand our common/diverse area of interest
 - + Thematic Groups discussion
 - + Youth/ Schools/ Community/ Biodiversity/ Disaster Risk Management
- + Discuss and plan collaborative efforts beyond UN DESD
 - + Collaborative projects
 - + Contribution to Global Action Programme on ESD
 - + Evaluate our achievements/challenges for beyond 2014

Progress of the global RCE movement

+ UNU-IAS

Introduction of New RCEs

+ Waikato, New Zealand



Session 2+3. Thematic Discussion



Session 4. Collaborative efforts of RCEs

Collaborative projects

- + RCE Chubu
- + RCE Bohol + RCE Greater Phnom Pehn
- + RCE Greater Western Sydney + RCE Penang

Sejahtera Centre for RCEs in Asia Pacific

Current Updates



2010 Curitiba meeting

The Vision of Asia Pacific Continental Platform

“The Asia-Pacific Continental Platform is a way to build good collaboration among RCEs in our endeavors towards protecting Asian Pacific culture and way of life in order to promote sustainability.

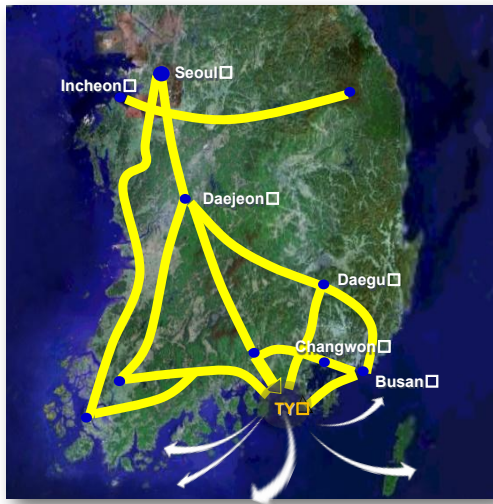
The Asia-Pacific Continental Platform promotes Asian Pacific perspectives on sustainable development and ESD, based on the traditional wisdom of coexistence.”

Sejahtera –the idea

- + ‘Sejahtera’ : the philosophy of sustainability
““Sejahtera” (se-jah-te-ra) is an indigenous concept of cosmic proportion in the Malay archipelago or *Nusantara* . often translated as “well-being” or even “prosperity”, the status of “sejahtera” as a balanced lifestyle, a lifelong harmonious way of being .” -by Dr. Dzul kifli Abdul Razak, RCE Penang
- + Sejahtera initiative
 - + A joint initiative of Asia Pacific RCE network to find the alternative path towards sustainability, acknowledged by the members as existent within the unique traditional culture of Asia Pacific region with emphasis on the coexistence.



Sejahtra Centre Overview



- + Initiated as a part of the Sejahtra Project for the Asia Pacific RCEs
- + Project overview
 - + 2007 ~ 2014
 - + 20millionUSD project
 - + Supported by the Ministry of Environment
 - + 200,000m² Eco park
 - + *Sejahtra Centre RCEs in Asia Pacific*
- + a creative research & teaching centre for AP RCEs and ESD related institutions
- + Project duration: Sept. 2011~Sept. 2014
- + Official Opening ceremony : March 30, 2015





Sea

→ Japan

Parking

주차장

마을사랑방

수서생물체험
동

Aquatic life Center

Sejahtra Centre

Wetland, Rice paddy

Lodging

RCE
교육동

주출입
구

옥외 생태공원

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주거체험
동

Mountain area







Vision

+ Vision

Coexistence between human beings, man and nature, present and future generations



coexistence

+ Education Philosophy

Education for Sustainable Society

“Learning Sustainable Life philosophy by Integration, and Practice”

Objective

- + To strengthen partnership among RCEs in AP
- + To contribute to the post-DESD global initiatives

Progress updates

- + Oct. 2014 – Kitakyushu 6th AP meeting : First draft presented
- + Nov. 16 – 1st Working group meeting in Tongyeong
 - + RCE Chubu, Kyrgyzstan, Srinagar, Yogyakarta, Tongyeong
- + Nov. 28- 8th Global RCE Conference, Nairobi
 - + 2nd Working group meeting – 11RCEs 23 participants
- + Dec. 2014 ~ April 2015 Working group skype meetings
 - + Discussion to draft invitation letter/ structure of **organization**
- + Invitation for Sejahtera Centre ➔ 24/47 RCEs submitted official letter of participation (with more coming...)
- + Sejahtera Centre Asia Pacific RCEs Art Project : Open Call on going

+ FUTURE

- + IN Penang : START DISCUSSION ON Joint project 2014-2016 term on traditional knowledge
- + Sept. 2014 : Complete construction & RCE Tongyeong secretariat to be newly established at centre
- + 2014-2016 project planning o within participating AP RCEs
- + March 30 2015 : Official opening of Sejahtera Centre for RCEs in Asia Pacific

AP RCE Joint Project -

- + THEME : Biennial Asia Pacific ESD Theme
 - + Selected every 2 years by AP RCEs during continental meeting of Asia Pacific RCEs
 - + e.g> Traditional knowledge, DRR, etc.
 - + Possible joint activities under the theme
 - + Thematic Exhibitions
 - + Workshops
 - + Joint research projects
 - + Training for teachers
 - + Youth program
- + ➔ Discussion for 2014-2016 biennial theme “Traditional Knowledge”
- + WHAT DO WE WANT TO DO?

Discussion

Sejahtra Centre, only possible with your participation!

Thank you

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Session 5. RCEs beyond 2014

- + Updates on ESD week 2014
- + Discussion on the future direction of the Asia-Pacific RCEs:
Contributions to the Global Action Programme on ESD

Closing



+ Summary

+ Closing Remarks