The 2nd UNU-ORI Joint International Workshop for Marine Environment
- Coastal Ecology, Nutrient Cycles and Pollution -

First Announcement and Call for Applications

The United Nations University (UNU) and the Ocean Research Institute (ORI) of the University of Tokyo will jointly hold the second International Workshop on Marine Environment. This workshop will take place at the Otsuchi Marine Research Center of ORI (located in Iwate Prefecture, Japan) from 4 to 8 December 2000. The focus of the discussion will be on understanding the coastal ecology with a particular emphasis on Northern Japan and selected East/Southeast Asian countries, nutrient cycles in the coastal areas and their impact on fishing resources, and pollution in coastal areas and its impact on the living resources.

The workshop will include lectures from leading Japanese and U.S. experts on the subject matter. All workshop participants will be expected to make brief presentations about their own research programmes, bringing a regional perspective to the meeting. In-depth discussions will be held to exchange ideas and to develop further joint activities. A field trip will be organized to provide a closer look at Japanese field research activities in the Iwate Prefecture’s coastal areas.

The UNU is soliciting applications from young scholars and researchers representing the countries in the East and Southeast Asian region. We particularly encourage participation from Bangladesh, China, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam – countries that are currently included the UNU researcher network on coastal hydrosphere. The UNU will be able to provide travel and related expenses for a limited number of selected participants representing and based in developing countries. Application letters, including brief biographical information (not more than 2 pages) and a list of three references, should be sent directly to Ms. Makiko Yamauchi (yamauchi@hq.unu.edu or fax: +81-3-3406-7347). Applications received after 15 August 2000 will not be considered.

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