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Two Biodiversity Summits Planned at CBD/COP10 in Nagoya

Event 1: International Symposium: Biodiversity Governors' Summit on the Use and Conservation of *Satoyama/Satoumi* and Revitalizing Local Communities
Date: 19 October (Tues.), 3:00–6:00 PM
Venue: Midland Hall (5F), Midland Square, Nagoya

Event 2: CBD/COP10 Side Event: *Satoyama* Governors' Summit
Date: 20 October (Wed.), 1:15–2:30 PM
Venue: Interactive Fair Tent of Japan, Shiratori Park, Nagoya Congress Center, Nagoya
Organizers: United Nations University (UNU), Global Environment Outreach Centre (GEOC) and Ministry of the Environment, Japan (MOEJ)
Supporters: Aichi, Ishikawa, Shiga, Shizuoka and Hyogo, prefectural governments, University of Tokyo, The Integrated Research System for Sustainability Science (IR3S), Japanese Institute of Landscape Architecture, Ecological Society of Japan and Environment Partnership Organizing Club.

- UNU will organize two “governors’ summits” on the occasion of the 10th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD/COP10) in Nagoya.
- At the public Biodiversity Governors’ Summit on 19 Oct., five governors and vice governors of Japanese prefectures will introduce their local *satoyama/satoumi* support efforts, including such approaches as establishment of a biodiversity strategic vision and promotion of forest management through a specific local tax system. This event will include a keynote lecture by Prof. Kazuhiko Takeuchi (Vice Rector, UNU) and presentations by Governor Masaaki Kanda (Aichi), Governor Masanori Tanimoto (Ishikawa), Governor Toshizo Ido (Hyogo), Vice Governor Uichiro Taguchi (Shiga) and Vice Governor Shinichi Omura (Shizuoka). The presentations will be followed by a panel discussion on “*Satoyama* and *Satoumi* as a Momentum for Local Revitalization” (of communities suffering the effects of globalization and aging). Dr. Ahmed Djoghlaif, Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity, Mr. Tsunao Watanabe, Deputy Director-General of the Nature Conservation Bureau of the Ministry of Environment of Japan, Ms. Akiko Domoto, Former Vice-president of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and Ms. Anne McDonald, Director of United Nations University –Institute of Advanced Studies, Operating Unit Ishikawa/Kanazawa (UNU-IAS OUIK) will join the discussion as commentators
- On the following day, 20 Oct., the conclusions of the public summit will be incorporated into a presentation to policy makers and others at the Governors’ *Satoyama* Summit. This summit, an official CBD/COP10 side event, will feature keynote presentations by Prof. Takeuchi, Vice Governor Etsuo Ogawa (Aichi) and Governor Tanimoto, as well as a discussion session on “*Satoyama* and *Satoumi*, From Japan’s Experiences”. Commentators will include Dr. Djoghlaif and Mr. Watanabe.
- Simultaneous Japanese– English interpretation will be provided for both events.

All media representatives are cordially invited to attend the public Biodiversity Governors’ Summit on 19 Oct.; please register at <http://www.geoc.jp/partnership/international/cop10/event1.html> by 13 October.

Journalists who are accredited to cover CBD/COP10 activities are welcome to attend the *Satoyama* Governors’ Summit side event on 20 Oct.; advance registration is not required.

See <http://www.geoc.jp/partnership/international/> for more information and the full programmes of both events.

If you have a question or would like further information about these events, please call or e-mail the Global Environment Outreach Centre (GEOC) (Tel: 03-3407-8107, Email: satoyama@geoc.edu).