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Appreciation Letter from the ISERD Secretariat concerning the 11th ICERD

Greetings from the ISERD Secretariat located in the Research Center of the Institute of Environmental Rehabilitation and Conservation (ERECON), Japan.

On behalf of the Secretariat of the International Society of Environmental and Rural Development, I offer my congratulations upon the successful completion of the conference. I want to convey my deepest appreciation to every participant of the 11th ICERD, the Organizing and Steering Committee Members in the Royal University of Agriculture, and especially to Professor Dr. Bunthan Ngo and Dr. Borarin Buntong.

It was an extraordinarily difficult time to hold the 11th ICERD, due to the risks spawned by the Covid-19 outbreak. Despite that, at the Angkor Paradise Hotel in Siem Reap of Cambodia, there were active academic discussions through 46 Oral Presentations and 107 Poster Presentations. Among the 107 Poster Presentations, 20 were from web-participants. They were willing to join the conference, but had to cancel their participation due to the Covid-19 outbreak.

In Cambodia, we had difficulty accessing the ISERD Web Editing Page. With all Managing Editors of ISERD, including a Web Manager, in Cambodia we were not able to upload any posters submitted by the web-participants on the ISERD web page. Please kindly accept my sincere apologies. However, all posters from the web-participants were displayed along Poster Presentation Avenue and passed to the screening for the ISERD Awards.

At the ISERD Awarding Ceremony during the Banquet, 7 topics were selected for the Award of Excellent Paper, 6 topics for the Award of Excellent Poster Presentation, 3 topics for the Award of Sustainability Promotion, and a researcher for the Award of Outstanding Scientific Achievement were selected. Around 5 or 6 topics were selected from the web-participants. For the awardees from the web-participants, the award certificate as well as additional prize shall be delivered within one week.

I would also like to thank every participant for accepting and following prevention measures against the Covid-19 epidemic, such as applying hand sanitizer before entering the venue, and not attending the conference for those who have traveled from or through Wuhan and/or surrounding areas in mainland of China less than 15 days prior to the 11th ICERD or having a temperature higher than 38 degrees Celsius. The 11th ICERD could not have been successful without all of your cooperation.

I look forward to seeing you all at the 12th ICERD which will be held in Bohol Province, Philippines from March 5 to 7, 2021.

Sincerely yours,

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Some photos from the 11th ICERD

• *Opening Ceremony*



• *From Oral Session*



• *From Poster Session*



• *From Banquet and Awarding Ceremony*

