

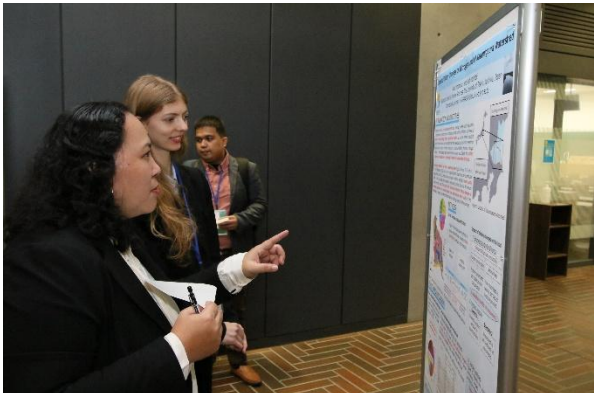
The 16th International Conference on Environmental and Rural Development held successfully in Tokyo, Japan

The 16th ICERD took place in Tokyo of Japan from 13rd to 16th March 2025, and was jointly organized by 16th ICERD Organizing Committee, co-organized by ISERD, Tokyo University of Agriculture (TUA), and the ERECON Institute, focusing on the theme “Innovative Approaches to Enhancing Community Resilience: Strategies for Building Sustainability Against Climate Risks”.

The scientific sessions featured 77 Oral 1 presentations, 49 Oral 2 presentations, and 35 Poster presentations. In addition, we had 4 Special Sessions on 25 Years Anniversary of ERECON on the same day. A total of 278 participants from 33 countries, including Australia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cambodia, Japan, Malaysia, North Macedonia, Philippines, Sweden, Thailand, USA, and others, attended the conference. Constructive and meaningful discussions were done at each session. Following the scientific sessions, an awards ceremony took place during the post-session banquet on 15th March 2025. ISERD Awards conferred at the ceremony included the Award of Outstanding Scientific Achievement, the Award of Sustainability Promotion, the Award of Excellent Paper, and the Award of Excellent Poster Presentation.

Additionally, on 14th March 2025, the members of the ISERD Council convened at the conference venue to confirm several new appointments, including Dr. Ami Nakagawa as a Managing Editor, Dr. Hatma Suryatmojo as Regional Vice President for Indonesia, Dr. Siti Nurhidayu Abu Bakar as Regional Vice President for Malaysia, Dr. Ivan Mincev as Regional Vice President for North Macedonia and Mr. Mark T. Lareau as Regional Vice President for USA.

The full manuscripts submitted at the 16th ICERD will be published in IJERD Vol. 16-2 and Vol. 17-1 after the peer-review process.



Scenes taken from the 16th ICERD from 13rd to 16th March 2025