

Commemorative Ceremony Held for the 10th Anniversary of the GIAHS Designation of Traditional Tea-grass Integrated System in Shizuoka

1. Outline

Commemorative programs were held in 2023 to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the "Traditional Tea-grass Integrated System in Shizuoka (Hereafter referred to as the Chagusaba method)" designation as the Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems.

2. Purpose of the commemorative event

- To raise awareness of the Chagusaba method on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the designation as GIAHS
- Promote collaboration with GIAHS sites and NIAHS (Japanese Nationally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems) sites in Japan and abroad
- Held as a related event to "Culture City of East Asia 2023 SHIZUOKA"

3. Commemorative Programs

(1) Date and time: October 20 (Fri.) 1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. (Ceremony, Keynote Speech, etc.)

October 21 (Sat.) 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. (Excursion)

(2) Venue: Kakegawa Grand Hotel (1-3-1 Kamenoko, Kakegawa City, Shizuoka Pref., Japan)

(3) Contents

	Program	Content, etc.	Participants
Day 1	Opening Ceremony	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greetings from the Chairman (Governor of Shizuoka Pref.) • Guest Speech (MAFF) • Greetings from the host city (Mayor of Kakegawa city) • Opening Declaration (Vise president of the council) 	Attendees : 181 • Certified Tea Farmers • General public • GIAHS/NIAHS officials (Japan, China and South Korea) • Government officials
	Keynote Speech	"GIAHS and Chagusaba method in Shizuoka" Speaker : Dr. Kazuhiko Takeuchi (Chair of Japan GIAHS/NIAHS Scientific Committee)	
	Introduction of designated sites as GIAHS and NIAHS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● China "Anxi Tieguanyin Tea Culture System" (Dr. Liu Moucheng, Associate Prof. of IGSNRR) ● South Korea "Traditional Hadong Tea Agrosystem in Hwagae-myeon" (Mr. Ha Sung-cheol, Mayor of Hdong-gun) Designated 29 sites in Japan (GIAHS/NIAHS) ※Poster presentation in the venue	
	Panel Discussion	Theme of Panel Discussion "Utilization of GIAHS as a tourism resource"	
	Closing Ceremony	Closing Remarks (Vise president of the council)	
	Reception	Standing buffet style, Performance of local arts	
Day 2	Excursion	Four courses in 4 cities and 1 town within the designated area (25 persons/course)	Attendees : 97

4. Panel Discussion Speakers

Role	Affiliation/Position	Name	Note
Cordinator	UNA-IAS / Visiting Research Fellow	Akira Nagata	
Panelist	MAFF, Rural Environment Conservation Office / Director	Tomoko Terashima	
	Member of Japan GIAHS/NIAHS Scientific Committee / Agricultural Journalist	Ayumi Kotani	
	Old Japanese stlye accommodation "旅ノ舎 tabinoya" / Representative	Koichi Yamada	Takegawa city
	Tsuchiya Nouen / Nihoncha (Japanese Tea) Instructor	Yuko Tsuchiya	Kawanehoncho town

5. Excursion Itineraries

No.	Itineraries	Area
1	Takegawa station---Tea Character View Spot, Tea fields in Higashiyama area (Observation of Chagusaba methods)---Higashiyama Tea Factory (Crude tea manufacturing facility) ---Ippuku-docoro Higashiyama (Tea tasting, Souvenir shopping)---Uomitsu Restaurant (Lunch)---Kiwi Fruit Country Japan (Tea picking & Handmade tea making experience) ---TEA GARDEN (Tea cafe, Souvenir shopping) --- Takegawa station	Takegawa city
2	Takegawa station---Sugita Seicha (Experience the Chagusaba methods) --- Miryokuen Co., Ltd. (Lesson on how to brew delicious tea using Kikugawa tea)- --Sushi-waka (Lunch) ---Grinpia Makinohara (Refining tea factory, Souvenir shopping)--- Sengamachi terraced rice-fields (Exploration of terraced rice-field, Observation of Chagusaba methods, Handmade Houjicha or Genmaicha making experience) --- Takegawa station	Kikugawa city Makinohara city
3	Takegawa station ---Kanetou Miuraen (Observation of Chagusaba methods, Tea tasting) ---Tea Museum, Shizuoka (Facility tour) ---Tororoya totoro (Lunch) --- Horai Bridge (The longest wooden pedestrian bridge in the world) ---KADODE OOIGAWA (Handmade tea making experience, Souvenir shopping) --- Takegawa station	Shimada city
4	Takegawa station---Kawanehoncho Town Agreculture and Forestry Center (Tea factory and field tour)---Tsuchiya-nouen, Tea terrace (Tea garden, Tea terrace tour and Tea tasting)---Wood House Orokubo (Lunch) ---Faure Nakakawane CHAMEIKAN (Facility tour, Souvenir shopping)---Takegawa station	Kawanehoncho Town