

The Report of Lectures and Panel Discussion

“Food and Science -Ideal Way of Risk Communication-”

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Special lectures by Ms. Irene van Geest-Jacobs (University of Twente, the Netherlands) and Prof. Sue Hartley (University of Sussex, UK) and an ensuing panel discussion entitled “Food and Science -Ideal Way of Risk Communication-” was held on 7th September 2010 at Yayoi Auditorium Ichijo-Hall, the University of Tokyo. More than 200 people participated.

Ms. van Geest-Jacobs who is a former deputy director of Communication at the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) lectured on how to promote risk communication in Europe. Next, Prof. Hartley who visited Japan for “The Royal Institution Christmas Lecture” in Tokyo, lectured on the history of the relationship between humans and edible plants.

The lectures were followed by a panel discussion. Panelists discussed science communication and science literacy and other related topics.