International Conference for Sharing Information on Food Standards and Resource and Environmental Conservation for Food Industries in Asia Pacific

-Challenges and Opportunities for Food Safety & Human Health-

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Organizer: International Life Sciences Institute (ILSI) Japan, in collaboration with ILSI

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Background: The Second Meeting of ASEAN+3 Roundtable on Food Security Cooperation Strategy was held in May 2010 in Tokyo. It was noted by the meeting that each country shared recognition of the necessity for dialogue within the region to ensure food security in the region. Further, the APEC Ministerial Meeting on Food Security was first held in October 2010 in Niigata, Japan. The action plan, among others, to improve agribusiness environment through "organizing a dialogue on quality managements and resource and environment conservation for food industries," was agreed.

Objectives: In order to ensure regional food security through enhancing international competitiveness of the regional food industry, it is the key to enhance industry's understanding of food standards, resource and environment conservation. This Symposium aims to:

- (1) Share information on commodity food standards and methods of analysis in the region.
- (2) Share information on regional initiative for food standards harmonization
- (3) Share information on food safety issues, including case study on resource and environmental conservation.

These will facilitate possible future integration or harmonization of food standards and resource and environment conservation in Asia-Pacific region, which will facilitate food trade and enhance business opportunities in the region.

Official Language: English

Registration and Expected Participants: Free of charge. Participants are expected from relevant organizations and food industries of ASEAN+3 Countries and APEC Economies.

MEETING PROGRAM

08:30 -09:30 Registration

09:30-10:10 Introduction & Opening Session

Chaired by Mr. Hiroaki Hamano, ILSI Japan

Opening Remarks:

Mrs. Yutaka Arai, Director of Food Industry Policy Division, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Japan

o Welcoming Remarks:

Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives, Thailand

Introductory Remarks:

Mrs. Boon Yee Yeong, Executive Director, ILSI SEAR

10:10-10:40 Challenges on Food Security – Strategic Plans and Policy in Thailand

Prof. Emeritus Kraisid Tontisirin

Chairman, Planning Committee on the National Strategic Plan for Food Management, Thailand

10:40 - 11:00 Teabreak

Session 1: Research on Commodity Food Standards and Methods of Analysis Chaired by Mr. Hiroaki Hamano, ILSI Japan

11:00-12:30 Updates from Regional Economies

Japan: Mr Hioraki Hamano, ILSI Japan
 China: Dr Li Yu, ILSI Focal Point in China
 Korea: Dr Myeong Ae Yu, ILSI Korea

o ASEAN: Ms Pauline Chan, ILSI SEA Region

12:30-13:45 Lunch

Session 2: ASEAN Food Standards Harmonization

Chaired by Ms. Shashi Sareen, FAO

13:45- 14:15 Overview and Approach of ASEAN Food Standards Harmonization

Prof. Dedi Fardiaz, Bogor Agricultural University, Indonesia

14:15- 14:35 Harmonization of Standards for Agricultural Product

Mr. Gilberto Layese, Director, Bureau of Agricultural and Fisheries Product Standards

14:35- 15:00 Food Industry's Role in Supporting Harmonization

Dr. Pichet Itkor, Vice Chairman, Food Industry Club, Federation of Thai Industries

15:00- 15:30 Teabreak

Session 3 Food Safety Issues

Chaired: TBC

15:30- 15:50 Sustainable Food Supply and Food Safety for Food Security

Mr Subash Dasgupta, FAO

15:50- 16:15 Industrial Case Study in Resource and Environmental Conservation

Mr. Suradech Thiapairat, Director, Ajinomoto Co., (Thailand) Ltd

16:15-16:45 Panel Discussion

Modulator: Ms. Darunee Edwards, President of Food Science and Technology Association of Thailand (FoSTAT)

16:45 Closing