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EARTH ASIA MINI-WORKSHOP

3 - 4 April 2001
Maejo University
Chiang Mai, Thailand

I. OBJECTIVE:

To provide a forum where administrators, educators, extension workers and other stakeholders interested in sustainable agriculture and sustainable environmental development could discuss:

- ◆ The status of agriculture education in the region- its challenges and issues (to include questions like strengths and weaknesses of graduates of agriculture and natural resources in the region; are they finding jobs? What is their professional profile? What are the needs of the region in terms of professionals in agriculture and natural resources management? Are the universities meeting these needs? What is happening to the agriculture sector of Asia? What is happening in the rural areas? How are they dealing with globalization? How is it affecting the agricultural sector and sustainability, gender issues and networking among universities?);
- ◆ Strategies for meeting the issues and challenges;
- ◆ Lessons learned (best practices) and innovations in the field of agriculture education and sustainable environmental education;
- ◆ Possible future activities roles of EARTH Asia and its collaboration with other partners (Salzburg Seminar, EARTH, Costa Rica, EARTH Africa and NORAGRIC).

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

2 APRIL: MONDAY

Arrival of Participants (depending on when participants arrive:)

19:00 Dinner: Advisory Team and workshop participants

20:00 Introduction Meeting: EARTH Asia, EARTH Costa Rica and Salzburg Seminar and workshop participants

21:00 Optional Evening Social

3 APRIL: TUESDAY

7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast

Session 1: Chair: Dr Ruben C. Umaly, SUT, Thailand

8:30 – 9:00 Key paper presentation: “Agriculture Education in EARTH ASIA Countries: Status, Issues and Challenges”

Dr. Ruben Villareal, Director SEARCA SEAMEO

9:00 – 10:00 Panel Discussion/Commentaries from:

- *Indonesia:* **Dr. Jajah Koswara, Director of Research and Community Services Development, Directorate General of Higher Education**
- *Philippines:* **Dr. Rudolfo Undan, President, Central Luzon State University**
- *Thailand:* **Dr. Nipon Jayamongkala, Vice President for International Affairs, Maejo University**
- *Vietnam:* **Dr. Nguyen Viet Tung, Rector, Hanoi Agricultural University**

10:00 – 10:30 Open Forum: Question and Answers

Session 2: Chair: Dr. Chongrak Polprasert, AIT, Thailand

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 11:20 “Financing of Agricultural Universities, specially Entrepreneurial Activities”

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11:20 – 11:40 “Cooperative Agricultural Education: Model for University-Industry Partnership in Agriculture”

Dr. Pongchan Na-Lampang, Institute of Agriculture, Suranaree University of Technology, Thailand

11:40 – 12:10 Open Forum: Questions and Answers

12:10 – 13:30 Lunch

Session 3: Chair: Dr. Ruben Villareal Director, SEARCA SEAMEO, Philippines

13:30 – 13:50 Participatory and other Innovative Strategies for
“Enhancing Community Service: Faculty and
Students as Agents of Change”

**Dr. Bui Cach Tuyen, President, University of
Agriculture and Forestry of the National University of
Vietnam, HCM City**

13:50 – 14:10 “New Technologies for Sustainable Agriculture
and Natural Resources Development”

**Dr. Chongrak Polprasert, Dean, School of
Environmental Engineering, Asian Institute of
Technology, Thailand**

14:10 – 14:30 “Integration of Sustainable Agriculture and
Sustainable Environmental Development into the
Curriculum”

**Dr. Pittaya Sruamsiri, Dean, College of Agriculture,
Chiang Mai University, Thailand**

14:30 – 15:00 Open Forum: Questions and Answers

15:00 – 15:05 Coffee Break

Session 4: Chair: ?

15:15 – 15:35 Agricultural Research: Present Status and Future Needs”

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15:35 – 15:55 IT in Sustainable Agriculture

Dr. Attachai Jintarawet, Chiang Mai University, Thailand

15:55 – 16:45 “Sustainable Sloping Agriculture: Selected Case Studies in
South East Asia”

**Dr. Sayed Jalaludin Syed Salim, Vice Chancellor, Universiti
Putra Malaysia (tentative)**

16:15 – 16:45 Open Forum: Questions and Answer

18:30 Dinner
20:30 Optional night activity

4 APRIL: WEDNESDAY

8:30 – 10:30 Break out into discussion groups
10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:00 Write up of discussion group findings
12:10 – 13:30 Lunch
13:30 – 15:10 Presentation to plenary on group findings
15:10 – 15:15 Coffee Break
15:15 – 16:00 Closing/wrap-up
18:30 Dinner

5 APRIL: THURSDAY

Departure of workshop participants

III. PROJECT PLANNING : Some Possible Activities

1. Development of Teaching-Learning Modules (Traditional and IT-based) for undergraduate and graduate courses on "Sustainable Agriculture and Resources Development." (Including teacher training on the use of the modules)

Modules could include :

A. Theoretical and Conceptual Framework

- * Demographic factors and their impact on sustainable development
- * Market economy (macro and micro levels) and Sustainable Development (including market failures)
- * Appropriate Technologies for Agriculture and Sustainable Resources Development
- * Socio-political factors and value systems : Their Impact on Sustainable Development
- * Ecological Concepts and their Applications in Natural Resources Sustainable Development (eco-technology)
- * Education and Community/Public Participation in Sustainable Development Campaigns

B. Case Studies

- * Development of an Integrated Sustainable Development Paradigm (global and regional)
 - * Case Studies of some Regional (geographic) Sustainable Development Practices, Projects and Experiences
 - * Case Studies of some Subject (Commodity)- Based Sustainable Development Projects (Sustainable Agriculture, Sustainable Forestry, Sustainable Fish Culture, etc)
2. Collaborative Research on Specific Topics or Areas of mutual interest to be identified by and benefit which the Group
 3. Networking strategies/financing of Agricultural University collaborative projects including student/faculty exchanges, scholarships, research grants, travel grants, etc.
 4. Strategies for linkages with Salzburg Seminar, NORAGRIC, EARTH Costa Rica, EARTH Africa

- 5 Database establishment and maintenance on:
- * Regional Agricultural Universities: Academic Programs, Specializations, Research Areas, Expertise
 - * Regional Projects on Sustainable Development
 - * Available Teaching-Learning Materials on Sustainable Agriculture and Development
 - * Best Practices
 - * Agricultural Research Institutes
 - * International Organizations and Institutions in the Region (including funding agencies)

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Schedule Bangkok -Chiangmai

Departure	Arrival	Flight	Aircraft
0700	0810	TG 125	AB6
0830	0940	TG 101	333
1015	1125	TG 103	AB6
1415	1525	TG 111	AB6
1515	1625	TG 113	734
1615	1725	TG 109	330
1620	1855	TG175	AT7
1715	1825	TG115	734
1915	2025	TG 117	AB6
2030	2140	TG121	743
2115	2225	TG 127	777

Schedule Chiangmai - Bangkok

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0630	0740	TG 100	333
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0920	1030	TG 104	AB6
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1815	1925	TG 120	743
1915	2025	TG 126	777
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Thank you for the message. Could you also let me know the meeting
schedules. I might have to attend an important meeting at AIT in the
morning of April 2 and, if possible, may plan to travel to Chiang mai in
the evening of April 2.

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