

Research Collaborations

1. Activities of the MARCO Research Consortium

The Monsoon Asia Agro-Environmental Research Consortium (MARCO) was established in 2006 to foster international research collaboration in Monsoon Asia. In 2010, the following activities were conducted under the auspices of MARCO. For details of each meeting, please visit the MARCO website at <http://www.niaes.affrc.go.jp/marco/index.html#news>.

- The MARCO/GRA Joint Workshop on Paddy Field Management and Greenhouse Gases was held from 1 to 3 September 2010 in Tsukuba.
- An International Workshop on Evaluation and Sustainable Management of Soil Carbon Sequestration in Asian Countries was held from 28 to

29 September 2010 in Bogor, Indonesia.

- An International Seminar on Enhancement of Functional Biodiversity Relevant to Sustainable Food Production in ASPAC was held from 9 to 11 November 2010 in Tsukuba.
- An International Workshop on Advanced Use of Satellite- and Geo-Information for Agricultural and Environmental Intelligence was held from 2 to 4 March 2011 in Tsukuba.
- Two researchers were invited from China (for a 1-year stay) and Thailand (for a 3-month stay).

MARCO's website contains a large amount of information on the Consortium.

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