

INVITATION TO THE SEMINAR

“TOWARD THE IMPROVEMENT OF LIVELIHOOD OF FARMING HOUSEHOLDS IN AFRICA”

It is our pleasure to inform you that above captioned Seminar is scheduled by JAICAF (Japan association of International Collaboration of Agriculture and Forestry) on March 11, 2009 sponsored by MAFF (Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries), Japan, at Arcadia Ichigaya.

In this Seminar, JAICAF intends to report on various aspects of rural development in Africa by distinguished experts based on their experiences and studies/ researches in African countries supported by MAFF Japan. Then, we hope to develop our argument on the issues at stake through discussions to identify what kinds of approaches are actually required for the improving household living in rural Africa.

For details of the Seminar, please refer to the program and application. We look forward to your participation.

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of Agriculture and Forestry: JAICAF** <http://www.jaicaf.or.jp/>

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Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2009 12:30 – 17:00 (Registration: 12:10 – 12:30)

Place: Arcadia Ichigaya, 5F, Daisetsu

Languages: Japanese and English (Simultaneous interpretation is provided)

Participation fees: gratis

How to enroll for participation :

- ◆ Please e-mail the information as itemized in the following. at: deskb@jaicaf.or.jp.
①Subject: Participation in Seminar on Africa 3/11, ②Name (s) of participant (s), ③ Affiliation, ④Job title ⑤ Posting address, ⑥Phone number, FAX number, ⑦E-mail address. Alternatively, please send the fax message form attached below to 03-5772-7680, after filling in the fields requested :
- ◆ Deadline date of application: March 5, 2009 (Thu.). For your information, your application shall be accepted as long as a vacancy for seating remains available.

Contact for all inquiry: Japan Association for International Collaboration of Agriculture and Forestry: JAICAF TEL: 03-5772-7880
Person in charge: Yamamoto (Mr.)

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12:30 **Opening**

12:30 **Address of the organizer (JAICAF)**

Address of Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)

12:40 **Japan's Cooperation for Developing Agriculture in Africa**

Yukio SUZUKI, Senior Official, International Cooperation Division, MAFF

Session I: Improvement of Food Supply Capacity of Farming Households

13:00 **Prospects of Increasing Rice Production and NERICA Dissemination in Africa**

— Focused on the study results in Benin, West Africa —

Chukichi KANEDA, Technical Advisor, JAICAF

13:45 **Prospects of Miscellaneous Cereals Production in Arid Area**

— Focused on the survey results in Niger, West Africa —

Nobuyuki KURAUCHI, Associate Professor, College of Bioresource Sciences,
Nihon University

14:30 **Discussion: Toward the Improvement of Food Supply Capacity of Farming Households**

15:00 **Recess**

Session II: Approaches for Improving Livelihoods of Farming Households

15:15 **Feature and Prospects of Apiculture in Africa**

— Focused on the survey results in Kenya, East Africa —

Jun NAKAMURA, Professor, Honeybee Science Research Center, Tamagawa University

16:00 **Discussions: Creating New Business Opportunities for Rural Development in Africa**

16:55 **Adjournment**

FAX message form (Please send it as it is without detaching it)

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Guide map to the seminar site:

Arcadia Ichigaya: 4-2-25
Kudan north, Chiyoda-ku,
Tokyo, 102-0073, JAPAN
Tel:03-3261-9921

● **Access: At 2 minutes on foot by Ichigaya Station**

Tokyo METRO: Yurakuchou Line and Nanboku Line, Ichigaya Station A1-1 exit
Toei Subway: Sinjuku Line, Ichigaya Station A1-1 or A4 exit

JR: Chuo Line (Local train), Ichigaya Station

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