

World Food Day Event /  
Symposium on International Year of the Potato  
～ Think about Food through Potato ～



●**Outline:**

Soaring food prices have influenced world food security in recent years and our concern grows over the risk of food shortages. Meanwhile, United Nations declared the year 2008 as “the International Year of Potato (IYP)” in the UN General Assembly 60th Session, and various events have been taken place all over the world to raise awareness of potato.

As an event of IYP in Japan, this symposium highlights the potato, hidden treasure, and potato’s role as a global food security\*.

●**Date and Time:** Sunday 9, November, 2008, 14:00～16:30 (Registration: 13:30～)

●**Venue:** Small Auditorium, Conference Center 5F, Pacifico Yokohama,  
(1-1-1, Minato Mirai, Nishi-ku, Yokohama City, Kanagawa pref., Japan)

●**Organizer:** Japan Association for International Collaboration of Agriculture and Forestry (JAICAF)

●**Co-Organizers:**

FAO Liaison Office in Japan, Embassy of the Republic of Peru in Japan

●**Supporters:**

Yokohama City, JA-ZENCHU, JA ZEN-NOH, Hokuren, Japan Snack Cereal Foods Association (JASCA), National Center for Seeds and Seedlings, National Agriculture and Food Research Organization (NARO), Japan Root and Tuber Crops Development Association (JRTA), Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)

●**Collaborator** (Photo panels): National Museum of Ethnology

●**Language**

Japanese – English simultaneous translation

●**Registration Fee:** Free

●**HP:** [http://www.jaicaf.or.jp/news/iyp\\_sympto2\\_en.pdf](http://www.jaicaf.or.jp/news/iyp_sympto2_en.pdf)

**Tasting Event**

After the symposium, a tasting event will be held to introduce some Peruvian potato dishes, including other dishes made of root and tuber crops.  
Panels about root and tuber crops, real varieties of root and tuber crops and so on, will also be displayed.

\* IYP activities in Japan cover not only potatoes but also other root and tuber crops.

●**Programme:**

- Opening remarks by JAICAF President, Mr. Hisao Azuma
- Opening remarks by Ambassador of Peru, H.E. Hugo Palma
- Keynote Speech by Dr. David C. DAWE, Senior Economist, FAO
- Keynote Speech by Dr. Luis MAEZONO, Rector, the Peruvian National University of Agriculture La Molina
- Panel Discussion “*Think about Food through the Potatoes*”  
Coordinator: Dr. Norio YAMAMOTO, Emeritus Professor of the National Museum of Ethnology (about the historical role of potatoes)

Panelist:

- Two of the Keynote Speakers
- Dr. Osamu YAMAKAWA, Vice President, Director of RD III , Society for Techno-innovation of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (STAFF) (about sweet potatoes)
- Dr. Hiroki INAZUMI, Associate Professor of Tokyo University of Agriculture (about world root and tuber crops)
- RD.\*\* Hiroko CHIBA, Lecturer, Kagawa Nutrition University (about potato species as material for cooking in view of nutrition)

\*\*National Registered Dietitian

●**Registration:**

Advance registration is required. Please register with following information by e-mail or FAX by **November 5 (Wed), 2008.**

1. Name 2.Organization 3.Address 4.Contact Information (Tel/Fax/e-mail)

◆◆◆**More Information and Registration**◆◆◆

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

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Sunday 9, November, 2008 Pacifico Yokohama

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