

International Conference on IT Based Capacity Building in Science -Report-

1. Dates: Thursday 16 – Saturday 18 January 2003 (three days)
2. Venue: Okinawa Convention Center
3. Organizer: Science Council of Japan
4. Co-Organizers: International Council for Science (ICSU),
Committee on Capacity Building in Science (CCBS),
InterAcademy Panel on International Issues (IAP) and
National Institute of Multimedia Education (NIME)
5. Collaborators: Okinawa Prefecture, University of the Ryukyus and NEC
6. Participants: 21 Countries, 160 Participants; 11 Participants from International
Organizations among 24 Overseas Participants
7. Languages: English and Japanese (simultaneous interpretation)
8. The Content of the Conference:
 - (1) Under the perception that promoting Capacity Building in Science in every nation and region of the globe is the groundwork for sustainable development, there was discussion on plans for effective promotion of Capacity Building in Science such as developing education systems in accordance with the actual situation of each country by utilizing the latest IT and training educators in order to attain sustainable development.
 - (2) Many prominent scientists participated in such as plenary lectures of IAP Co-Chair Eduardo Moacyr Krieger and Dr. Masao Ito, Director of RIKEN Brain Science Institute.
 - (3) “Okinawa Statement – Capacity Building in Science: The Basis for Sustainable Development–” was announced for the purpose of proposing the roles of scientists and the responsibilities every nation should take in international society in promoting Capacity Building in Science in future.

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(4) Conference Program

January 2003	Morning	Afternoon
Thursday 16	Opening Ceremony Plenary Lecture	Complimentary Lecture
Friday 17	Primary and Secondary Education Higher Education International Cooperation Complimentary Lecture	Primary and Secondary Education Higher Education International Cooperation Complimentary Lecture
Saturday 18	Panel Discussion Concluding Session	Adoption of the Statement Closing Ceremony

- The Honorable Hirotaka Makino Vice Governor of Okinawa prefecture attended the opening ceremony on Thursday 16th and the Honorable Keiichi Inamine Governor of Okinawa and President Morita of the University of the Ryukyus attended the welcoming reception on the evening.

	General Public/ The Prefecture Interest	The University Interest	Executive Committee (outside the prefecture)	Lecturer (incl. overseas)	Total
1/16	48 persons	30 persons	42 persons	27 persons	147 persons
1/17	41 persons	7 persons	35 persons	30 persons	123 persons
1/18	9 persons	3 persons	43 persons	27 persons	82 persons
Total	98 persons	40 persons	130 persons	84 persons	352 persons