

The 21st DOWAS National Convention in Hokkaido 2017 Report Katsunori Shimizu (Chairman of DOWAS Convention Planning Committee)

The “DOW 2017 Hokkaido Conference,” was held on October 12 and 13, 2017 at the “2nd floor large public hall” at Rausu Town, Hokkaido. The outline of the event follows.

【Organizer】 DOWAS

【Supporters】 MEXT, Fisheries Agency, Hokkaido Development Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, and Transport, Hokkaido Prefecture, Rausu Town, Yakumo Town, Iwanai Town

【Sponsor】 Shiretoko Rousu DOW Utilization Council

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Tsutomu Kuromaru (Yakumo)

【Agenda】

Opening Remarks

Masayuki Takahashi (DOWAS President • Professor Emeritus of University of Tokyo and Kochi Universities)
Akira Nagano (Executive Chair • Chair of All Japan Fishing Port Construction Association Institute)
Ryuichi Kuwashima (Guest Speaker • Division Manager, Kushiro Development Division, Hokkaido Department, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport)
Minoru Minatoya (Guest Speaker • Mayor of Rausu Town)

Research Presentations

Ocean • Water Quality/Biological • Fishery/Agriculture • livestock Related: 7 topics (Chair: Katsuhisa Yamada • DACCY Co.)

Health • Medical Related: 7 topics (Chair: Koji Otsuka • Osaka Prefecture Graduate School)



Fig. 2. Opening of the 21st Convention

Utilization System Related: 7 topics (Chair: Hirohisa Kawakita • Kochi DOW Research Center)

Poster Presentation: 3 topics

Special Symposium: On Operation and Maintenance of DOW Facilities

Mod. Masahiro Sasaki (Silica Japan Hokkaido)

Takeshi Yamamoto (Hokkaido Development Bureau)

Hideki Yamaishi (Rausu)

Toyokazu Kanaya (Iwanai)

Tsutomu Kuromaru (Yakumo)

Shinichiro Kakuma (ODRC)

Yohei Nishioka (Muroto City)

Shinsuke Dema (Muroto City)



Fig. 3. Special Symposium

Closing Remarks

Kimio Fukami (Vice President of DOWAS • Professor/Special Assistant to the President, Kochi University)

Tour

① Rausu Fishing Port, Autumn Salmon Stationary Fishery

② Rausu Port Intake, Sanitation Management Port facility, Rausu Visitor Center, “Shiretoko/Rausu

Crossroad”

【Participants】 Members: 75, General: 30, Students: 3, Total: 130 (22 Staff)

(Participants from Korea and Taiwan also attended)

This convention was located in Hokkaido where three towns have intake facilities (Iwanai Town, Yakumo Town, and Rausu Town). Despite the remote location, the convention was grand with many participants. During the national user conference and special symposium “Discussion on Issues related to Utilization of DOW and Issues on Facility Maintenance Management” in the Hokkaido area was actively discussed. More than half the participants gathered for the “Fishing Port Tour” which occurred at 4 in the early morning. In addition to explanations by local volunteers, the explanation by Mayor of Rausu was very meaningful.

Finally, I would like to express my gratitude here for the cooperation of all the people of Rausu Town Office, the Venue Committee, and the Committee Members of the three towns for assistance in in the preparation and holding of the conference. I would also like to express my gratitude as the person responsible for organizing this conference to all our members for their daily understanding and cooperation on the activities of DOWAS. The next FY Conference will be in South Korea. Thank you for your cooperation in scheduling and participating.



Fig. 4. Rausu Fishing Port Tour (left is explanation by local volunteer)