

IALT Newsletter

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A Newsletter of the International Association of Lowland Technology (IALT)

Annual Council Meeting 2012 of IALT

The annual council meeting of International Association of Lowland Technology (IALT) was held on 10th September, 2012 in the *Ayodya Resort, Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia*. The 2012 annual council meeting was chaired by Professor H. Araki, the Executive President and the presidential speech was delivered by Professor M.R. Madhav, the President of IALT. Dr. Moqsud, Secretary General of IALT introduced and reported the various agenda items. Dr. Harianto, the co-chair of the 8th ISLT 2012, reported the latest preparation and the status of the ISLT to the council members. The council meeting was successful in discussing all the agenda items.



IALT 2012 Council Meeting in Progress

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The 8th ISLT was successfully held in Bali, Indonesia. The venue of the conference was the *Ayodya Resort, Nusa Dua Bali*. 210 participants from 17 countries participated in the 8th ISLT. All the papers included in the proceedings were peer reviewed. The chairman of the 8th ISLT, Professor L. Samang welcomed all the participants to Indonesia as well as to ISLT. The Muira lecture was delivered by Professor D.T. Bergado. The invited lecture was given by Prof. Dr. Emil Salim, Chairperson, Advisory Council to the President of Republic of Indonesia.



Some of the participants of ISLT 2012

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The annual general meeting (AGM) of IALT was held on the 1st day of the 8th ISLT after the opening ceremony of the ISLT. The AGM of IALT was presided by Prof. M.R. Madhav, the President of IALT. Dr. Moqsud reported the agenda items which were discussed in the annual council meeting on 10th September, 2012. A large number of people participated in the meeting.



Annual General Meeting of IALT

The Best Presentation Award for young researchers in the 8th ISLT

IALT always encourages young researchers for their research and presentations. Like in the previous ISLTs, the Best Presentation Awards for the young researchers (within 35 years of age) have been given to those whose presentations were adjudged to be outstanding in the ISLT 2012. The following seven researchers have been awarded the best presentation awards in different fields: Mr. Budijanto Widjaja (Geo), Mrs. J.L. Miao (Geo), Mrs. P. Ittisukananth (Water), Mr. Abd. R. As-syakur (GIS), Ms. Kinashi (Urban), Mr. A. Cahyaningsih

(Urban) and Mr. Y. Windusari (Coastal).



A moment of Award Giving

The 9th ISLT will be held in Saga, Japan

IALT council has agreed to hold the 9th International Symposium on Lowland Technology (ISLT) in Saga, Japan in 2014. The date of the ISLT will be announced soon.

Announcement regarding the Life member of IALT

The IALT council has decided to encourage the individual members to be an IALT life member. So it had been decided that if some individual members have paid the membership for the 10 years at a stretch, then he or she can be automatically a life member of IALT.

Flood in Saga Lowland, Japan, 2012

Heavy rain is observed periodically in Japan from June to Sep. due to effect of a seasonal rain front or due to typhoon. Flooding and inundation caused by the heavy rain occurred in Kyushu Island including Saga city during July 11th to 14th, 2012. The heaviest rain was observed in the mountain area of Kumamoto pref. The precipitation for one hour was recorded to be 108 mm, and the total precipitation from 11th to 14th July was 816 mm. The precipitation was heavier than the monthly average for July. As a result, 21 people were dead, and 8 others were untraced because of the flooding and

the sediment disaster.

In Saga city also, heavy rain was observed. The intensity was 91 mm/hr, and the total precipitation in this spell of heavy rain was approximately 300 mm. Many creeks overflowed and roads were under water as shown in the photo. However, there were no human damage; moreover inundation receded in 2 or 3 hours. Constructed retarding pond, gates and drainage pumps prevented inundation in this time.

(Dr. Mishima)



Flooded road near the Saga University

Special Issue of Lowland Technology International (LTI) Journal

LTI is planning to publish a special issue containing selected papers from the ISLT 2012. The process of selection of best papers is currently on. The expected date of the special issue of LTI is (LTI Vol. 15, No. 1) June 2013.

Renewing Membership of IALT

It is to inform all the members that please renew your membership of IALT by paying the annual membership fees. Being a member of IALT you will get the discounted rate for registration fees in the ISLT, and also the full access to all the papers of [LTI journal](http://www.ilt.saga-u.ac.jp/ilt/index.html) and many other related facilities. Please visit the official website <http://www.ilt.saga-u.ac.jp/ilt/index.html>