

Preface

Prof. Kiyoshi TAJIMA, Guest Editorial Chief of APCSEET 2013

The 9th Asia Pacific Conference on Sustainable Energy & Environmental Technologies (APCSEET 2013) was held in Narita, Japan. APCSEET is an advanced and active international conference where we can exchange the information and discuss, about the energy and environment problem of Asian and Pacific region. Since the 1st conference held in Singapore 1996, nine times conference were held every one year to last year. In this conference, total number of scientific participants was 219 from 19 countries (Afghanistan 1, Australia 6, Bangladesh 1, China 8, Ghana 2, Indonesia 3, India 17, Italy 1, Japan 122, Korea 21, Malaysia 6, Iran 2, Tunisia 1, Saudi Arabia 3, Singapore 2, Thailand 9, Taiwan 11, USA 2, Viet Nam 1).

Among these international conference participants, the participants who belonged to the JAALS were approximately 20 people, and 8 contributions were presented. In this issue Vol.23-4 of Journal of Arid Land Studies, the special feature of the APCSEET 2013 was placed.

We would like to appreciate for all author's contributions on this special issue and to thank for editorial members of JAALS.

Guest Editorial

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