

Satoumi Declaration Onna village Okinawa 2019

“Satoumi” is spreading in Japan and overseas where local people are closely connected with the sea and enhancing biological diversity, productivity and ecosystem functions. Satoumi Conference in Onna village 2019 was held with the themes of “Co-creating the value of Satoumi” and “Nurturing Satoumi making full use of Okinawa’s characteristics” at Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology in Onna village Okinawa on 7 December 2019.

The participants of the Conference will conduct the following activities to create, sustain and develop Satoumi in Japan and overseas.

- Co-create the value of Satoumi with the fishers being main actors; Satoumi learning and marine education with children; cooperation with co-ops and processing companies; collaboration with local and city residents; partnership with municipalities; cooperation between scientists and local stakeholders.
- Nurture Satoumi making full use of Okinawa’s characteristics such as conservation and restoration of coral reefs; vital coordination with sustainable tourism industry; linkages among forests, villages, rivers and the sea; characteristics of remote islands, etc.
- Go toward sustainable development maintaining rich, beautiful nature and environment by deepening Satoumi concept; finding diverse actors for nurturing Satoumi; collaboration among diverse organizations and groups; funding mechanisms to sustain Satoumi; Satoumi learning and cultural exchange over multi generations.
- Build Satoumi networks and solve technical and governance issues of Satoumi through mutual learning with people in the networks.
- Transmit the outcome of the Conference to the world.

7 December 2019

All the participants of the Satoumi Conference in Onna village 2019