Palić Declaration

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Cooperation between researchers and research institutions from Japan and Serbia

The participants of the 7th Symposium: Chemistry and Environmental Protection, (from Serbia and Japan) have met in Palić, Serbia, from 9 to 12 June 2015, to present their research achievements and to discuss future collaboration. Environmental chemistry is an unavoidable scientific basis to analyze and assess environmental pollution in countries around the world. Environmental biotechnology can offer solutions to some of the problems which result from environmental pollution.

The participants of the Symposium gathered around the JICA Grassroot project "Capacity Building For Analysis And Reduction Measures Of Persistent Organic Pollutants In Serbia" to support initiative of the Project coordinators in agreement to collaborate and share knowledge on the progress of the science of environmental chemistry and related research areas in both countries. The contribution towards sharing the progress will include joint efforts, covering, but not limited to, the following areas:

- 1. Collaboration in certain areas of environmental chemistry and biotechnology, especially on: Pollutant Release; Micropollutants; POPs chemicals; Ecological Risk Assessment; Risk Reduction; Remediation Technology and Management.
- 2. Support in broadening the network to other research areas if interest is expressed by researchers from either side.
- 3. Joint support of the scientific issues of the governmental, international, or other relevant activities related to environmental protection.
- 4. Sampling strategies, analytical methodologies and joint research on environmental pollution.
- 5. Collaboration and establishment of bridges among high schools from both countries, giving support for educational activities to local residents and high school students towards pollution control and joint school projects.
- 6. Organization of Webinars for collaboration and networking to achieve established goals.

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