

The 15th International Conference on Environmental and Rural Development held successfully in Khon Kaen, Thailand

The 15th ICERD took place in Khon Kaen of Thailand from 8th to 10th March 2024, and was jointly organized by ISERD, Khon Kaen University (KKU), and the ERECON Institute, focusing on the theme 'Bio-Circular-Green (BCG) Economy: Pathways to a Sustainable Future'.

The scientific sessions featured 63 oral presentations and 50 poster presentations, after 2 keynote presentations in the Opening Ceremony. A total of 200 participants from over 30 countries, including Australia, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cambodia, Japan, Malaysia, North Macedonia, the Philippines, Sweden, Thailand, the USA, and others, attended the conference. Constructive and meaningful discussions were done at each session. Following the scientific sessions, an awards ceremony took place during the post-session banquet on 9th March 2024. ISERD Awards conferred at the ceremony included the Award of Outstanding Scientific Achievement, the Award of Sustainability Promotion, the Award of Excellent Paper, and the Award of Excellent Poster Presentation. Also, Honorary Fellow was given to Prof. Dr. Anan Polthanee in recognition of his exemplary and lasting contributions to the field of environmental and rural development through ISERD over 10 years.

Additionally, on 9th March 2024, the members of the ISERD Council convened at the conference venue to confirm several new appointments, including Dr. Chuleemas Boonthani Iwai as a Deputy President of ISERD, Prof. Yoshiko Tanahashi as a Managing Editor, Dr. Tarek Ben Hassen as Regional Vice President for Qatar, and Dr. Acharaporn Pagdee as Regional Vice President for Thailand.

The full manuscripts submitted at the 15th ICERD will be published in IJERD Vol. 15-2 and Vol. 16-1 after the peer-review process.



Scenes taken from the 15th ICERD from 8th to 10th March 2024