Report on the "Eleventh Tripartite Presidents Meeting among NIES, NIER and CRAES"

December 11, 2014

NIES Planning Department

The 11th Tripartite Presidents Meeting among NIES, NIER and CRAES (TPM11) was held in Kawasaki City, Kanagawa Prefecture and Fujiyoshida City, Yamanashi Prefecture as follows.

1. Meeting overview of TPM11

Organized by: National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES – Japan)

Co-organized by: National Institute of Environmental Research (NIER – Korea)

Chinese Research Academy of Environmental Sciences (CRAES - China)

Supported by: Kawasaki City,

Biodiversity Center of Japan, Ministry of the Environment (MOE – Japan)

Time and Place:

November 11 –14, 2014

Nov. 11 (Tue.) – Study Tour 1: Environmental Facilities in Kawasaki City (Kawasaki Eco Gurashi Mirai-kan; Kawasaki Eco-Town; Kawasaki Environment Research Institute, etc.)

Nov. 12 (Wed.) – Main Meeting of TPM11 (Kawasaki Nikko Hotel)

Nov. 13 (Thu.) – International Workshop on Eco-city and Biodiversity, and Signing Ceremony for TPM11 Joint Communiqué (Kawasaki Life Science & Environment Research Center)

Nov. 14 (Fri.) – Study Tour 2: Environmental Facilities in Yamanashi Prefecture (NIES Fuji Hokuroku Flux Observation Site; Biodiversity Center of Japan; Mount Fuji Research Institute (Yamanashi Pref.), etc.)

2. Main contents of Joint Communiqué

- (1) The Presidents of NIES, NIER and CRAES affirmed the following points:
 - (i) The importance of the practical and pragmatic joint efforts among the three institutes to improve the regional environment in Northeast Asia under the TPM mechanism
 - (ii) The mutual urgency of research topics related to PM_{2.5} and SLCPs (Short-Lived Climate Pollutants) for the three countries, and the high priority of continued information exchange and collaboration among the three institutes on the issue
 - (iii) The importance of the cooperation on the nine Priority Research Areas, and of the leadership of the Focal Points of the Lead Coordinating Institutes which will remain until TPM12 as follows:
 - NIES: Biodiversity Conservation, Climate Change, Disaster Environment
 - NIER: Asian Air Pollution, Dust and Sand Storm, Solid Waste Management
 - CRAES: Freshwater Pollution, Urban Environment and Eco-city, Chemical Risk and Management
 - (iv) The agreement to seek the collaboration of researchers in other institutions of the three countries to expand TPM activities
- (2) TPM12 will be held as follows:

Organized by: National Institute of Environmental Research (NIER – Korea)

Location: Yeosu City, Korea

Workshop Theme: Asian Air Pollution (provisional)

