

# 3rd ESP Asia Conference

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Eco-health and ecosystem services in Asia:  
Bottom-up aspects for planetary health

ONLINE

## SESSION DESCRIPTION

**Session ID: T9b**

**Session title**      ESP Asia Forum: Special Issue on “Gauging people’s sense of wellbeing from Eco–health perspectives in Asia” in ECOSER

### Hosts:

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### Abstract:

People can have a sense of wellbeing under proper access to ecosystem services. However, due to multiple stresses caused by climate change, excessive economic development and exploitation of natural resources, it has become more and more difficult for people interacting with ecosystems to feel secure about their health and wellbeing in recent years. In order to help alleviate people’s suffering, it is crucial to know how they live and what they need in coping with the ever-changing environment. One of the ways to get the picture of people’s health and wellbeing is to look at their traditional food and livelihood, particularly through farming (agriculture) and fisheries that have relied on sustainability of the ecosystem services. In this session, we call for contributions that address challenges or provide practical insights in gauging

the health and wellbeing under diverse interactions between humanity and ecosystem services in Asian rural and urban areas.

### Goals and objectives of the session:

The main goals of this session are to :

- Discuss about suggested issues in Asia and compile related research findings for special issue publication in ECOSER
- Identify research gaps, learn from one another about eco-health in Asia and share common findings at the end of the Conference.
- Establish a relationship with TWG9 'Ecosystem Services and Public Health' and strengthen a partnership

### Proposed Format (duration, methods) :

Date of session : Dec. 16, Thursday

Time of session : 9:00~17:00

Tentative timetable :

- (9:00) Start symposium "Bottom up approach of Eco-health in Asia: A case of Mekong river basin in Cambodia"
- (9:00~9:05) Introduction and explanation of symposium theme by Dr. Moji (Chair of LOC)
- (9:05~9:45) Plenary keynote by Prof. Akimichi
- (9:45~10:25) Two presentations
- (10:25~11:10) Panel discussion

Panelists

Dr. Tomoya Akimichi (Keynote speaker)

Dr. Yuzuru Utsunomiya (Nagasaki University)

Dr. Takahiro Ota (Nagasaki University)

Dr. Laymithuna Ngy (University of Kratie, Cambodia)

- (11:10~11:20) Break

- (11:20~11:30) Overview of past ESP-Asia Forum and related activities (SI publication), Purpose of this session and expectations

- (11:30~13:00) Presentation of research abstract and papers + Q&A/Discussion

- (13:00~14:00) Break

- (14:00~16:50) Presentation of research abstract and papers + Q&A/Discussion

- (16:50~17:00) Closing

### Planned output / Deliverables:

To publish a special issue, "Eco-health in Asia" in the journal of "Ecosystem Services (ECOSER)"

- This special issue will aim at addressing research gaps, methodologies and policy implications of public health effects of ecosystem services approaches in Asia

Planned timeline of the suggested special issue publication

- By the end of Sept. 2021 : Call for papers at the website of Elsevier ES

- Dec. 16, 2021 : Presentation of research abstracts and papers

- By the end of Feb. 2022: Submission deadline of manuscripts at the ECOSER

- March, 2022 ~ : Processing reviews (\* in general, peer review process will take 6-8 months)

### Voluntary contributions accepted:

Yes

**Related to ESP Working Group/National Network:**

TWG9-ES and Public Health