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Dear Dr. Irina Safitri Zen

Subject: 2019 Global Conference on Teacher Education for Education for Sustainable Development, 22-25 November 2019, Okayama, Japan

It is our pleasure to invite you to the 2019 Global Conference on Teacher Education for Education for Sustainable Development, which will take place from 22 to 25 November 2019 at Okayama University, Okayama, Japan. The conference is organized by UNESCO Chair in Research and Education for Sustainable Development at Okayama University, Japan and UNESCO Chair in Reorienting Education towards Sustainability at York University, Canada, with the co-sponsorship of Okayama City, RCE Okayama, Asia-Pacific Cultural Centre for UNESCO (ACCU), Japan, Asia-Pacific Centre of Education for International Understanding (APCEIU), Republic of Korea, Asia-Pacific Institute on Education for Sustainable Development, China, Kappa Delta Pi (KDP) International Honor Society in Education, USA, Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE), Denmark, the Baltic and Black Sea Circle Consortium in Education Research (BBCC), Latvia and ESD Innovate.

The overall objective of the conference is to promote multi-layering ESD and GCED for innovations in teacher education towards the SDGs and ESD for 2030. The discussion will build on ongoing practices of teacher educators, deans of faculties of education, principals of teacher education institutions and other upper administrators from faculties of education, representatives of national or state/provincial ministries and UNESCO experts. For further details, please refer to the attached flyer and draft agenda.

In view of your expertise and experience in the field of teacher education and ESD and/or GCED, we believe that you will make an important contribution to the conference, and sincerely hope that you will be able to join us. Okayama University will cover the costs of your airfare (the most economical economy-class roundtrip tickets from your nearest international airport to Okayama Airport or Kansai International Airport, accommodation and per diem allowance during the conference. The total amount is 230,000 JPY, including flight, hotel, local transport and DSA ≈ MYR 8,780.)

We should appreciate your early reply to our invitation. After receiving your confirmation, we will share with you further information on the logistical arrangements. Should you require any supporting documents for visa from our end, please let us know as soon as possible by email to Ms. Itsuko Hagihara, Conference Secretariat, at Okayama University ESD Promotion Centre (hagiwara-i@okayama-u.ac.jp).

I look forward to seeing you in Okayama in November.

Sincerely yours,

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Encl. Flyer and draft Agenda