Organization and Staff

ICREA Steering Committee

Director of ICREA
Hiroshi EHARA

External Advisors (Other Organizations)/ Advisors (Nagoya University)

Research and ApplicationDivision

Tropical Bioresources Lab.

Professor Dr. Hiroshi EHARA

●Background
Tropical Agriculture, Economic Botany, Agroeclogy

●Current interests
- Genetic Variation and agronomic features of sago palm
- Growth and physiological response of rice varieties against climate change
- Mechanism of abiotic stress resistance in cow pea and related species

Assistant Professor Dr. Mana KANO-NAKATA

●Background
Crop science, agronomy

●Current interests
- Morphological and physiological root characteristics for adaption to water stress in cereal crops
- Plant carbon partitioning under environmental stress

Genetic Information for Bioresources Lab.

Professor Dr. Yoshiaki INUKAI

●Background
Plant Genetics and Breeding

●Current interests
- Genetic improvement of rice to secure stable rice production in unfavorable enviroments

Rural Development Division

Practical Studies in Africa Lab.

Associate Professor Dr. Daigo MAKIHARA

●Background
Crop science, Agronomy

●Current interests
- Improvement of rice productivity under environmental stress conditions in Africa
- Interaction among crop productivity, cultivation environment, and management technology
- Combatting root-parasitic weed Striga using suicide germination stimulant in Africa

Practical Studies in Asia Lab.

Associate Professor Dr. Kasumi ITO

●Background
Forest economics, forest management, agricultural and rural development, regional resources management

●Current interests
- Promotion of processed agricultural products for rural development
- Influence of household size biogas plant for forest resources utilization
- Capacity building of researchers for rural development in developing countries

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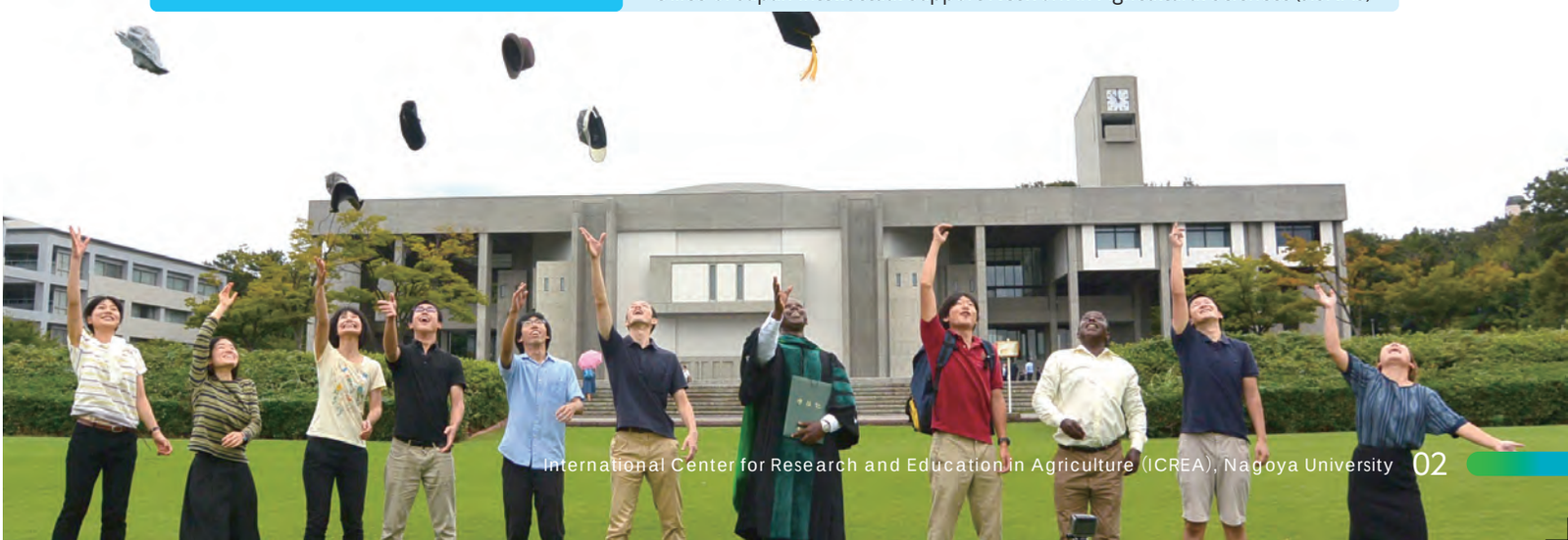
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