

## SIGA Singapore 2011 | "SSEAYP WAVE TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT"



SI Singapore was honored to host the 23th SSSEAYP International General Assembly in Singapore from the 29 April to 2 May 2011 under the theme "SSEAYP WAVE TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT". We welcomed a total of 142 foreign delegates and 80 local volunteers. The Keynote Address by Dr. Seetharam Kallidaikurichi (Visiting Professor, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy & Founding Director, Institute of Water Policy; on secondment from the Asian Development Bank), speaking on 'Creating a Sustainable Environment - SUCCESS: Decoding the 'Good Practices' in urban water governance'. Thereafter, stage

performances were put up by SPYs, host families and their children.

Institutional visits in relevance to the discussion topics, namely, New Water Visitor Centre, Marina Barrage, Hort Park, Pasir Ris Park and Fort Canning Park, were arranged on 30 April to precede the General Assembly and Workshop Discussion. Delegates were put together in five groups to visit two of the five institutions.

At the General Assembly Chief Delegates from each AA presented their country reports. Myanmar was not represented at this SIGA. The Workshop Discussion following the General Assembly continued as planned in the following categories such as Built Environment Flora & Fauna; Recycling / Water; SI HR Network; SI Travel Network; SI Social Contribution Activities; and Social Contribution Activities.

The Closing Ceremony was an informal dinner buffet with the SI raffle draw / auction to raise funds for IYEO's Great East Japan Earthquake relief efforts. Contributions from Singapore and other AAs were handed over to Ms Tomoko Okawara, IYEO President, respectively for disbursement to the affected areas of need. The evening's entertainment, once again, was put up by SPYs, host families and their children. The SIGA 2011 Organising Committee acknowledged and thanked all partnering agencies, National Youth Council Singapore, SSEAYP International Secretariat and the Council of Presidents for their support. Till we meet again in SIGA Japan 2012 – Together, Move Forward!



## SIGA Japan 2012 | "SSEAYP International: TOGETHER, MOVE FORWARD"



Ship for Southeast Asian Youth Program (SSEAYP) is an once in a lifetime experience. SSEAYP International General Assembly (SIGA) is another great chance for us to re-live the "SSEAYP Spirit".

IYEO is delighted to invite SSEAYP Family to the SIGA Japan 2012 on 25-28 April in Tokyo, Japan. It is great honor for IYEO to co-host the SIGA this year because it will make the 25th Anniversary since SSEAYP International (SI) was established in 1987.

In order to celebrate the history of SSEAYP and SI and share our spirit to create the hopeful future together, we entitled this year's SIGA as "SSEAYP International: Together, Move Forward."

One highlight of SIGA Japan 2012 will be special commemoration program- SI 25th Anniversary Forum. The Forum consists of Panel Discussion, Cultural Performance and Exhibition. It is intended to reflect on the 25 years history of SI and 38 years history of the SSEAYP as well as to appeal the significance of the international youth exchange programs to the general public. Prominent ex-PYs who play active and important roles in various fields will appear for the Panel Discussion.

Prior to the SIGA, Social Contribution Activity (SCA) will be held in Rikuzentakata City, Iwate Prefecture in Tohoku (north-east area) which was devastated by the earthquake and tsunami on March 11, 2011. Participants will visit local elementary schools to exchange with school children and they will also engage in voluntary activities in collaboration with Rikuzentakata City Office.

In SIGA Japan 2012, participants will reconfirm why SSEAYP is so special for each one of us, and you will fully enjoy sharing it with SSEAYP family members. We strongly believe that it will result in new friendships, and reconnect with old ones. Furthermore, such connection will strengthen the valuable network of our regional leaders and promote post-program social contribution activities on both local and global scales.

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2. Amane Kameda (JPY 2005)
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6. Nursuhada Binti Ghoni (MaPY 2005)
7. Siriphone Thongbonh (LPY 2007)
8. Sylvanus Hardiyanto (IPY 2000)
9. Taweechai Termkunanon (TPY 1974)
10. Muhammad Hafidz Bin Zainal Abidin (SPY 1995)



The OBSC representatives introduced the SSEAYP International Organization and its Objectives to the PYs. The Alumni Activities implemented by each country were shown using power point presentations and through videos. Everybody had fun during the Quiz. Gifts from the OBSC representatives were given to the PYs who answered the questions correctly. The discussion on the Post Program Activities with each contingent covered the guidelines on Making an Action Plan. Eventually the PYs had accomplished the templates for the PPAs with the help of the OBSC representatives.

All of the 10 OBSC representatives interviewed selected participating youth to give their impression on all the activities onboard Fuji Maru. The simultaneous discussion on making a PPA Action Plan motivated the Participating Youth of 2011 to actively interact with each other.

The OBSC representatives worked together to complete the necessary articles and photos needed for the consolidation of the Newsletter for the 38th SSEAYP.

## DISCUSSION PROGRAM

Every year, discussion program is considered as one of the most important activities in the whole SSEAYP because from this session PYs can learn a lot of new things. Later, they will use this knowledge and experiences and apply it to their own Post Program Activity. This year, the Group themes for discussion are almost the same with last year's. Their session started during the Japan-ASEAN Youth Leaders Summit and had it continued to the Onboard the Ship Activity.



## The 2011 Discussion Facilitators: (left to right)

Kongkaew Thanit (Thailand) - Corporate Social Contributions, Asri Wijayanti (Indonesia) - Cross-Cultural Understanding Promotion, Hj Md Faisal Hj Nordin (Brunei Darussalam) - Environment (Climate Change), Siti Sinta Rini (Indonesia) - Food and Nutrition Education, Barcelona, Carmela Dingcong (Philippines) - Health Education (Measures against HIV/AIDS), Kimura Daisuke (Japan) - International Relations (Japan-ASEAN Cooperation), Pia Adiprima (Indonesia) - School Education, Eugene C. Sosing (Philippines) - Youth Leadership Development

## OBSC PHOTO COMPETITION



This year OBSC representatives conducted the "Photo Competition" with theme: "The Most Memorable Thing in SSEAYP". All PYs could participate by submitting one of their best photos. Surprisingly, many photos were submitted for this competition in a very short of time. It was hard to choose the winner because there are many good photos. Finally the OBSC representatives chose this photo submitted by Umart Ismaail (TPY), with the title: "Cry Together Stay Together" as the winner. Enjoy!

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNER!

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