Kanazawa University

Noto Satoyama Satoumi Meister Training Program (On-line course in English)



Study Tour in Noto 13-15 September, 2016

This tour was a joint program with 'common education course' of Kanazawa University.

Brand-new experience

Wide variety of people from Ghana, the USA, Indonesia, Vietnam, China, and Japan joined the study tour to learn about production landscapes and seascapes called "Satoyama and Satoumi" that are sustainably managed by human activities such as agriculture, forestry and fishery in Noto (Ishikawa prefecture, Japan). Attendee received various opportunities to learn about culture, tradition, and biodiversity of the region.

Day	Destination
1	 Amenomiya tumulus Slow food restaurant Wajima-Nuri lacquerware studio Senmaida thousand rice terraces Saltern Japanese folk house (accommodation for 2 nights)
2	 Community group to protect cultural and biological diversity in Satoyama Charcoal maker Lecture on Art festival and Kiriko festival in Suzu city Kiriko festival in Suzu city
3	 Tsukumo Bay to learn about biodiversity Vineyard & winery of Noto Wine Notojima Aquarium Lectures on opening a French restaurant in Noto; branding pufferfish; and Chestnut Tiger butterfly ("Asagimadara")

Learning

Diverse lectures and talks were provided by wide variety of people such as a local craftsman, producers, as well as scientists, who are the successors of culture and tradition and care takers of nature in Noto.



Charcoal maker



Meals supported by rich biodiversity of Noto



A talk on literature



Lacquerware studio



Winery

Traditional food

Enjoyed and learnt about traditional slow food in a farm house cooked by a local cooking specialist.



Nature & Biodiversity

Understood the importance of links between forest and sea by walking through the forest of red claw crab towards the Bay. Witnessed rich biodiversity of Satoyama and Satoumi by visiting an aquarium and rice paddies.



