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### 1. Country/location of visit

North Campus, Science Seminar House, Kyoto University, Japan

#### 2. Research project

Conserv'Session #16: Talking about Global Climate Change with "Chasing Ice"

### 3. Date (departing from/returning to Japan)

2018 February 24<sup>th</sup>

#### 4. Main host researcher and affiliation

Prof. Kohshima Shiro, Wildlife Research Center of Kyoto University

# **5. Progress and results of your research/activity** (You can attach extra pages if needed)

Please insert one or more pictures (to be publicly released). Below each picture, please provide a brief description.

## Conserv'Session #16: Talking about Global Climate Change with "Chasing Ice"

Following the session #14, the discussion on the global climate change continued with the screening of "Chasing Ice." Mi Yeon Kim (myself) hosted the documentary with two invited speakers. We invited Prof. Shiro Kohshima as an arctic expert and Mr. Kenro Taura from Kiko Network as a global climate change expert. The documentary focused on the one men's expedition on capturing rapidly changing Arctic environment and also talked about the evidence of global climate change and its causes.

After the screening of the documentary, we had a time for the two speakers to give a presentation before the discussion. Prof. Shiro Kohshima researched the Arctic ecosystem and the Arctic insects. He gave a presentation on his experience of multiple years in the Arctic and his first-hand experience with the changing enviornment. Then Mr. Kenro Taura gave a presentation on Kiko Network. He also talked about Japanese stance on global climate change and what we could do as a citizen. Here, both speakers spoke in Japanese and English for the audience.

The discussion followed the presentation with Akiyama Miku and Shimegi Tamaki (Undergraduate student) as a Japanese/English translator. Questions about the scientific evidence of the climate change were addressed with Prof. Shiro Kohshima. Discussions about the current actions to educate the Japanese public of the global climate change and Japanese government's action on the global climate change was conducted with Mr. Kenro Taura. Find more information on action to reduce carbon footprint like using a local small bank in Kiko Network website. The website also introduces Kiko Network activities such as writing policy proposals and running education programs. There are also internship opportunities available to those who are interested. (<a href="http://www.kikonet.org/">http://www.kikonet.org/</a>).





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#### 6. Others

I want to show my appreciation to PWS office and members of Conserv'Session (especially Akiyama Miku and Shimegi Tamaki for fantastic translation) who made this session possible. Special thanks to our two invited speakers, Prof. Shiro Kohshima from WRC and Mr. Kenro Taura from Kiko Network who gave terrific presentations and answered discussion questions in two languages. Furthermore, I would like to thank Prof. Shiro Kohshima and Prof. Tetsuro Matsuzawa for supporting this session.

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