

[SUDee2018 Preprint: <https://sudworkshops.wordpress.com/>]

Received: 28th September 2018

Author: 宮崎修行教授 (Prof. Nobuyuki Miyazaki), 国際基督教大学 教養学部 アーツ・サイエンス学科、経済・経営学デパートメント (Department of Economics and Business, ICU)

Welcome address for SUDee2018 Networking Dinner for Participants

by Prof. Nobuyuki Miyazaki (Department of Economics and Business, ICU)

Now I have in my hand the so-called “An Environmental Policy of ICU” prepared by the Environmental Policy Committee of ICU. This committee was formed by the request of President Suzuki just 12 years ago. Only I am still active in this university, and all the other members have retired, so I am talking to you as the representative of the committee!

The Environmental Policy of ICU contains 24 proposals in it, and our 2nd proposal reads:

In its operations and management of facilities, the University seeks to reduce environmental impacts, and it endeavors to:

- prevent pollution
- reduce energy consumption and increase energy efficiency
- increase reliance on renewable resources
- purchase recycled content products etc.

However, these proposals have not been realized or were widely neglected, for which I am very sorry.

In these circumstances today’s workshop is a great contribution to ICU, thanks to the continuing and amazing effort of Prof. Hitzer (his innovative ideas are really surprising!), and thanks to the active commitment of all the presenters and people of the audience here.

Especially we are much obliged to the great devotion of the volunteer students here, I could not say thank you too much!

Currently I feel the wind blowing around environmental protection is not so favorable, but I remember the words of Steven Jobs, the founder of Apple Corporation at the commencement of Stanford University: “Stay Foolish, Stay Hungry!”

There are foolish professors like Prof. Hitzer and me, and quite a bit hungry students in ICU indeed, therefore, we are able to break through the situation around us and make a change! Thank you!