Progress of the Global RCE network
November 2013-2014

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1. Development of the RCE Network

**2003** Establishment of ESD Programme at UNU-IAS

**2004** Development of the RCE Concept

**DESD Launch**
- Framework for the UNDESD International Implementation Scheme
- Annual Global RCE Conference since 2006

**Mid-Decade Year**
- UNESCO World Conference on ESD (Bonn, Germany)

**End of the DESD**
- UNESCO World Conference on ESD (Aichi-Nagoya)

- 8th International RCE Conference (Nairobi, Kenya)
- 9th International RCE Conference (Okayama, Japan)

**Launch of Global Action Programme on ESD (tbc)**

- Assessment of RCEs/ Engagement with International SD/ESD processes
- Strong emphasis on capacity development

2007 Emergence of continental networks

2008 Emergence of thematic & strategic networks

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**Number in Red:** Number of RCEs Acknowledged by UNU
Newly acknowledged RCEs

Global Network:
- 129 RCEs worldwide
  - Asia-Pacific: 47
  - Europe: 37
  - Africa and Middle East: 26
  - Americas: 19

New RCEs:
9 RCEs were acknowledged since November 2013 until now.
- **Asia-Pacific**: Waikato (New Zealand), Changwon (Korea)
- **Europe**: Ruhr (Germany), Dublin (Ireland), Uppsala (Sweden), Lithuania (Lithuania)
- **Africa and Middle East**: Harare (Zimbabwe)
- **Americas**: Greater Portland (USA), Shenandoah Valley (USA)
The Global RCE Network

Regional Centres of Expertise on Education for Sustainable Development

129 RCEs as of August 2014

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The Global RCE Service Centre
Education for Sustainable Development Programme
United Nations University Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS)
2. Overview of the major RCE-related activities implemented since November 2013

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Below are images of the event activities:

- **The 8th Global RCE Conference**
- **RCE Assessment in Okayama**
RCE Recognition Award 2013

• 22 projects from 20 RCEs were submitted

• 6 projects including RCE Okayama, and RCE Greater Western Sydney received awards under “Outstanding Flagship Projects”.

Activities
RCE-related Publications

* RCE commemorative 10 year book is going to launch in this November
RCE E-Bulletin

Issue 27: September 2013

Message from the Global RCE Service Centre:

Dear colleagues and friends,

The deadline to receive nominations for the RCE Award and your RCE Annual Reports is fast approaching. This year we are combining the annual reporting process with the RCE Award nomination process to make it easier on all RCEs to submit annual report information and nominate projects for an RCE Award, without filling in twice. Please note that while it is not necessary to complete the annual reporting process in order to submit a project for an RCE Award, it is strongly encouraged.

To fill out your annual report, please visit the RCE Portal by clicking here: [http://rce-network.org/portal/create-reports](http://rce-network.org/portal/create-reports). You must be given special access to create online reports. If you have logged into the RCE Portal and find you do not have access to the forms, please contact the Global RCE Service Centre (rce@ias.unu.edu) requesting access and you will be granted that status. If you do not have a login for the portal or you have forgotten your username and password, please email rce@ias.unu.edu and your information will be reset.

Once you have filled out your annual report, you may automatically submit any of your projects for the RCE Award. To do so, please go to the Awards section of the portal: [http://rce-network.org/portal/awards](http://rce-network.org/portal/awards). Click on the button that says “Click here to nominate a project that you have already reported on in your Annual Report”; you will be given a drop-down menu of all of your 2013 projects. Click on the project you would like to nominate, verify that all the information on the project is correct and fill out the extra RCE Award-related questions before submitting your project for consideration.

For those RCEs who would prefer to nominate a project for an RCE Award before filling out their annual report, please go to the Awards section of the portal: [http://rce-network.org/portal/awards](http://rce-network.org/portal/awards). Click on the button that says “Click here to submit a new project for the RCE Award” and fill out the nomination form. Again, you will need to have logged into the Portal to submit an award and be given appropriate access to fill out the forms. If you do not have a login in the portal you may not have access to the forms above.

Activities

- Issued monthly
- Upcoming ESD-related Events
- Latest News
- Invitations for collaboration
- New Publications and Resources
RCE Online Communication Portal & Annual Reporting Site

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9th Global RCE Conference

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The 9th Global RCE Conference Website
Please register by 19 September!

Welcome to the
2014 Global RCE Conference
4-7 November 2014 in Okayama, Japan
Register Now
Thank you!

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