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Invitation to the 4th African RCE Continental Meeting in Windhoek, Namibia

Dear African RCE Colleagues,

On behalf of the United Nations University Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS) and RCE Khomas-Erongo, we are pleased to invite you to the 4th African RCE continental meeting that will be held at the University of Namibia (Windhoek Campus) on 9-12 September 2014.

The 4th African RCE meeting is being organized in conjunction with the 32nd Environmental Education Association of Southern Africa (EEASA) annual conference. The theme of the EEASA conference is *Reflections on the current and emerging ESD issues and practices informing the post DESD framework programme*. Activities of the African RCE meeting will be incorporated into the EEASA programme to address this theme through plenary sessions, paper presentations, roundtable discussions and workshops.

The meeting will provide an excellent opportunity for RCE delegates to reflect on successes, challenges and opportunities of the African RCE network in implementing ESD. Policy recommendations and a plan of action will be developed to strengthen African RCEs as platforms for multi-stakeholder dialogue and cooperation in accelerating the search for sustainable development solutions in local communities. In order to produce tangible outputs, we encourage you to participate in the ongoing online deliberations through the RCE Portal by visiting <http://www.rce-network.org/portal/join-now-9th-global-rce-conference-african-discussion-group>.

We also encourage you to seek funding to support your travel and EEASA conference registration to attend the African RCE meeting. However, RCEs that will be unable to secure funding are encouraged to apply for support from the UNU-IAS. To apply for travel support, please complete the attached Financial Assistance Request Form and email to Global RCE Service Centre (rceservicecentre@unu.edu) by **Thursday, 10 July 2014**.

We look forward to your participation in the 4th African RCE meeting in, Windhoek, Namibia.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Takemoto".

Kazuhiko Takemoto
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