

Program

May 3-5, 2023 (GMT+8)
Taipei, Kaohsiung, Pingtung, and Taitung

Date/ Time	Program and Place	Note
May 2	Arrival in Taipei/ Kaohsiung	• Speakers/ guests
May 3	Workshop	
07:00 – 09:00	HSR: Taipei – Kaohsiung	• Guests from Taipei
09:10 – 09:50	Bus: HSR station to TARI-Fengshan	
10:00 – 18:00	Workshop at TARI-Fengshan	• All workshop participants
18:30 – 20:30	Welcome Dinner	• Speakers, guests, FFTC, TARI
May 4	Field Visits (by invitation)	
	Bus trip: Kaohsiung – Pingtung – Taitung Overnight at Hotel in Taitung	• Speakers, guests, FFTC, TARI
May 5	Field visit (by invitation)	
	Bus trip: Taitung – Pingtung – Kaohsiung	• Speakers, guests, FFTC, TARI
	HSR: Kaohsiung – Taipei	• Speakers, guests, FFTC
May 6	Departure from Taipei/ Kaohsiung	• Speakers/ guests

May 3 – Workshop at TARI – Fengshan Tropical Horticulture Experiment Branch

Time	Topic	Speaker
10:00 – 10:20	Registration	
10:20 – 10:30	Opening remarks	FFTC, TARI, MOFA
10:30 – 10:45	Group photo and coffee/tea	
	<i>Session 1- Setting the scene</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status and trends in the tropical fruit production in the region: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Crop focus: minor crops lesser known to the rest of the world and with expansion prospects ○ For examples, durian, rambutan, longan, lychee , dragon fruit, Jackfruit, mangosteen, Annona, others 	Moderator: Dr. Wen-Li Lee , Director, Taiwan Agricultural Research institute (TARI)-Fengshan Branch Taiwan

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Market share, prospects for expansion ● Challenges for marketing tropical fruits, e.g., <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Postharvest rots ○ Short storage/transport/shelf life ○ Smallholder production – infrastructure, aggregation – quality control, traceability ○ Consumer awareness and attitudes ○ Value-added options and product markets ○ Sustainable production 	
10:45 – 11:25	Topic 1: Overview of opportunity, challenge and development of tropical fruit industry	Mr. Yacob Ahmad Consultant and Advisor International Tropical Fruit Network (TFNet) Malaysia
	<i>Session 2 – Addressing the Issues</i>	
	<i>Issue 2-1. Opportunities for sustaining value in harvest and postharvest supply chain</i>	<i>Moderator:</i> Dr. Wen-Li Lee TARI-Fengshan Branch Taiwan
11:25 – 11:55	Topic 2: Postharvest diseases of tropical fruit and their management strategies	Dr. N. K. Ngoc Researcher Post-harvest Technology Division Southern Horticulture Research Institute (SOFRI) Vietnam
11:55 – 12:25	Topic 3: Postharvest handling techniques to prolong storage life of tropical fruits	Mr. Wan Mohd Reza Ikwan Bin Wan Hussin Deputy Director, Postharvest Handling Program, Malaysia Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI) Malaysia
12:25 – 13:40	Lunch break	
13:40 – 14:10	Topic 4: Assessment of mango quality and evaluation of distribution environment	Dr. Eriko Yasunaga Associate Professor Asian Research Center for Bioresource and Environmental Sciences (ARC-BRES) The University of Tokyo Japan

	Issue 2-2. Opportunities for adding value by processing and marketing products	Moderator: Dr. Denise Conroy PFR, New Zealand
14:10 – 14:40	Topic 5 – Status of processing for solids, juices, concentrates, extracts for health supplements, ingredients in other processes (review and experience)	Dr. Ir. Setyadjit MappSc Professor Center for Agroindustry, Research Organization for Agriculture and Food, National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN) Indonesia
14:40 – 15:10	Topic 6: Pineapple fermentation as a bromelain enzyme ingredient in eco-friendly natural cleanser	Ms. Morna Meng-Na Lee President, CACITO, Inc. CEO, Taiwan ChengHsiTang Agro & Business Consulting Firm Taiwan
15:10 – 15:30	Break	
	Issue 2-3. Opportunities for expanded production and consumption of tropical fruits <i>Moderator: TBD</i>	Moderator: Mr. Wan Mohd Reza Ikwan Bin Wan Hussin MARDI
15:30 – 16:00	Topic 7 –Market prospects, consumer appetite for, and preference towards minor tropical fruits from Southeast Asian	Dr. Denise Maria Conroy Principal Scientist & Team Leader – Stakeholder & Consumer Intelligence Plant and Food Research (PFR) New Zealand
16:00 – 16:30	Topic 8 – Niches for expansion of fruit production and marketing in Japan	Mr. Shinji Ohta CEO, Agricultural IT and e- Commerce, Creative House Corporation Japan
16:30 – 17:00	Topic 9 – Rapid Market Appraisal for Underutilized Fruits (Guava, Soursop, Sugar Apple & Tamarind) in the Philippines.	Ms. Annette M. Tobias Science Research Specialist Socio-Economics Research Division, DOST-PCAARRD The Philippines
17:00 – 17:40	Panel Discussion Value addition, consumer perspectives and market expansion Panelists Mr. Shinji. Ohta Creative House Corporation, Japan Dr. Denise Maria Conroy, PFR, New Zealand	Moderator: Mr. Yacob Ahmad TFNet, Malaysia

	Dr. Wen-Li Lee TARI-Fengshan Branch, Taiwan	
17:40 – 18:00	Closing remark	FFTC, TARI
	End of Day One Workshop	
18:30 – 20:30	Back to the Hotel in Kaohsiung City Welcome Dinner at the Hotel	Speakers, Guests, FFTC, TARI

May 4-5, Field Visits (by invitation)

Time	Place
May 4	<p>Check out Hotel from KHS</p> <p>By bus: KHS to Pingtung to Taitung</p> <p>Pingtung Yanshan Leisure Agriculture Area along Pingtung Yanshan Highway</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agrotourism and processing: Pineapple <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ming Chuan Ecological Leisure Farm (Neipu Township): The first Taiwan exporting pineapples to Japan, recently turned into an all-organic farming) • Value-added products: Coco and chocolate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ COCOSUN: Fangliao Township, coco farms and processed products • Enhanced productivity: Switch to grow a new crop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ From traditional piper betel to durian production ○ Durian orchard: protected production, Taimali Township, Taitung
	Overnight at Hotel in Taitung
May 5	<p>By bus: Taitung to Kaohsiung</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agri-food education: dragon fruit from farm to table <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ayu orchard (阿裕果園農產行), Chishang Township, Taitung County • Agri-food education, agrotourism and processed products: rice and local fruits, farm to table and community involvement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rice School (米國學校 – 關山鎮農會休閒旅遊中心): Farmers' Association Recreation Center, Kuanshan Township, Taitung County • Back to Kaohsiung
	HSR: Kaohsiung to Taipei (for those stay in Taipei)