

## COP13-Side Event

# Combating Aeolian Desertification and Realization of Land Degradation Neutrality

Date: Saturday, September 9 18:15 – 20:00

Venue: MET-13

- 18:15-18:35      Opening remarks  
Prof. Atsushi Tsunekawa  
(Professor, Arid Land Research Center, Tottori University, Japan)
- 18:35-18:55      **Diagnosis of aeolian desertification in Northeastern Asia.**  
Assoc. Prof. Yasunori Kurosaki  
(Arid Land Research Center, Tottori University, Japan)
- 18:55-19:15      **Pursuit desertified land restoration from adaptability to sustainability.**  
Prof. Zhao Xueyong  
(Northwest Institute of Eco-Environment and Resources (NIEER), Chinese Academy of Sciences, China)
- 19:15-19:35      **Aeolian desertification neutrality in Northern China.**  
Prof. Wang Tao  
(Northwest Institute of Eco-Environment and Resources (NIEER), Chinese Academy of Sciences, China)
- 19:35-19:55      Discussion
- 19:55-20:00      Closing Remarks  
Prof. Wang Tao  
(Northwest Institute of Eco-Environment and Resources (NIEER), Chinese Academy of Sciences, China)

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## Speakers



**Atsushi Tsunekawa** / Professor, Arid Land Research Center, Tottori University

Also serves as a Head of Strategic Management Office of International Platform for Dryland Research and Education (IPDRE), Tottori University. Currently a Science and Technology Correspondent from Japan to the Committee of Science and Technology of UNCCD.



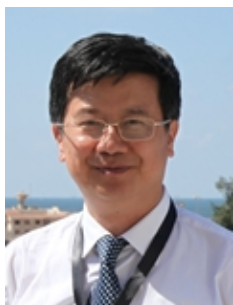
**Yasunori Kurosaki** / Associate Professor, Arid Land Research Center, Tottori University

Associate professor of Arid Land Research Center, Tottori University. A distinctive feature of his study is an objective diagnosis of aeolian desertification for a broad area using synoptic meteorological data. He also works on a field observation in the Gobi Desert to elucidate mechanisms of dust emission.



**Zhao Xueyong** /

Dryland ecologist and engaged in research and education in combating desertification for 30 years; PhD in geology and currently serves as the chief scientist of the national basic research program of Investigation on Desert Plant Communities in China and executive director of the Department of Agro-ecology, Northwest Institute of Eco-Environment and Resources, CAS.



**Tao Wang** / Director General, Northwest Institute of Eco-Environment and Resources, Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS)

After obtaining his PhD degree in physical geography at the Institute of Desert Research, CAS, he spent his JST fellowship at National Institute of Agro-Environmental Sciences in Japan. He has served as Director of Cold and Arid Regions Environmental & Engineering Research Institute, CAS since 2003 and appointed to his current position in 2016.