

Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen.

My name is Hamada, Secretary General of NARBO. It is my pleasure to make a closing address here.

Dear every one, did you make your action plan as you wished? I believe you all prepared your best plan, making the best of what you have learned during the workshop in the past one year.

This workshop was focused on a theme in line with what NARBO members are concerned with, because we hoped that participants could discuss practically during the workshop.

Besides, in the workshop, we adopted new and good ways.

First, we limited the number of participants. Second, we held the workshop with the same participants in a series. Third, we requested you to prepare for discussion in advance.

So, our workshop may be not gorgeous, but I am sure it has been creative and fruitful.

The workshop is ending now, you finished discussing the subject of water allocation and water rights. But this is your start to take another action. Please introduce the action plan in your countries and I hope it will help improve water allocation issues there.

I expect NARBO members to use NARBO networks as much as possible to promote Integrated Water Resources Management in your countries. We also expect information and recommendations for NARBO activities from you. We will continue to expand NARBO's activities and to collaborate with you.

After this closing session, we are arranging a dinner party. I am afraid I can't join the party, for I have another official appointment. But I hope you all enjoy the party and deepen mutual understanding.

I appreciate your attendance at this workshop and I would like to see you some day again.

Thank you for your kind attention.