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Dear GGN president and Executive Board members:

Recommendation of Prof. Kazuo Oike for a GGN Honorary member

Prof. Kazuo Oike had led the Geoparks in Japan in their immature and mature stages as the president of the Japan Geopark Committee (JGC) since 2008 until 2018. He devoted his life for these years to designate 9 UNESCO Global Geoparks in Japan, including the first 3 designations in 2009. He played an important role in chairing the organizing committees of the international conferences of Global and Regional Geoparks Networks in Japan, 5th International UNESCO Conference of Geoparks in the Unzen Volcanic Area UNESCO Global Geopark (City of Shimabara) in 2012 and the 4th Symposium of APGN in San'in-Kaigan UNESCO Global Geopark (Cities of Toyooka and Tottori) in 2015. Especially at the 5th International UNESCO Conference of Geoparks which was held a year after the 2011 Tohoku-Tsunami disaster, Prof. Oike contributed to deepen Geopark community's understanding of the significance on education for geohazard risk reduction in Geoparks. He also promoted the creation and development of the Japanese Geoparks Network (JGN), so that it became one of most active national networks in the world; presently consisting of 9 UNESCO Global Geoparks and 35 national Geoparks and over 10% of Japanese municipalities relate to Geoparks in some way.

Prof. Oike is a geoscientist of seismology and worked as a professor of Kyoto University since 1973, publishing many scientific papers in the international and national journals (143 as of the year of 2000), and many essays and dissemination books related to nature and culture, including geology, earthquake and natural disaster. His research life was dedicated to forecasting earthquakes in Japan and the east Asia including China, Korea

and Indonesia.

He is also great culture worker due to two reasons. The first reason is that he is one of famous “*haiku*” poets. *Haiku* is the Japanese poem strongly reflecting seasonal sceneries and writers’ feelings and considerations within the limited numbers of characters. Prof Oike’s nature view as the geoscientist is strongly reflected to his *haiku* world. He frequently held workshops of *haiku* in geopark areas in Japan. These workshops stimulated many geopark-related people and geopark-fans in Japan to strain their feeling against nature and culture that are essential in Geoparks. The second reason is as important positions in his academic and social carrier. He was the President of the “Kyoto University” during 2003-2008, and now the President of “Kyoto University of Art and Design” since 2013, after the Director of “International Institute for Advanced Studies” in Japan during 2009-2013.

All people that met Prof. Oike were strongly fascinated by his distinguished knowledge on nature and culture with his humorous dialogue. This kind of Prof. Oike’s charisma-like human image was very important to begin and expand the Geopark world in Japan. Creation of UNESCO Global Geoparks in Japan and our present development of Geopark activity were impossible without his contribution. Here, on behalf of the Japanese Geopark community, I strongly recommend Prof. Kazuo Oike as one of the strong candidates of the GGN honorary member in 2020.

Sincerely yours,

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CV of Prof. Kazuo Oike

Prof. Kazuo Oike

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Brief history

1963: Graduated from Department of Geophysics, Faculty of Science, Kyoto University

1963-1973: Research Associate of Disaster Research Institute, Kyoto University

1972: Doctorate from Kyoto University, "On the nature of the occurrence of intermediate and deep earthquakes"

1973-1983: Associate professor of Disaster Research Institute, Kyoto University

1983-1986: President of Japan Seismological Society

1988-2003: Professor of Faculty of Science/Graduate School of Science, Kyoto University

1997-1999: Dean of Faculty of Science/Graduate School of Science, Kyoto University

2001-2003: Vice President of Kyoto University

2003-2008: President of Kyoto University

2008-present: Emeritus Professor of Kyoto University

2008-2018: President of Japan Geopark Committee

2009-2013: Director of International Institute for Advanced Studies

2013-present: President of Kyoto University of Art and Design

2018-present: President of Shizuoka Prefectural University Agency

Major Enlightenment Books published in Japanese

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2. "Tenchiijin (heaven-earth-human) – world of 3 years old" (in Japanese), Manual House, 2014.
3. "Haiku Scenery in and around the city of Kyoto, Earth Science and Haiku Scenery IV" (in Japanese), Manual House, 2013.
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