

The 1st International Soil Judging Contest was held, and Team of Japan was awarded third place.

The 1st International Soil Judging Contest was held from June 5 to June 7, 2014 as a special event of the 20th World Congress of Soil Science in Jeju, Korea. Students in soil science got training about the description and evaluation of soil profile for two days, and afterwards they competed how correct they could judge the soil profile. Totally 64 participants from 9 countries and regions attended this contest. From Japan, Prof. Takashi Kosaki (Tokyo Metropolitan University) was the coach, and the student team member were Mr. Tomohiro Nishigaki (Kyoto University), Mr. Kiwamu Ishikura (Hokkaido University), Mr. Hiroko Nakatsuka (Tsukuba University) and Mr. Shinya Iwasaki (Hokkaido University). June 5th and 6th were attributed to the training of description and evaluation of soil profiles, and the individual and team competition took place on the 7th. Team of Japan won the third award in the team competition, and got an award in the 20th World Congress of Soil Science.

