

## Opening Address of the Inaugural Meeting of IPPS - Japan, Potential Region—Scope of I.P.P.S. Japan

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I.P.P.S. Japan is aiming to bring together practical nurserymen, scientific researchers, farmers, and consumers under the motto of “SEEK AND SHARE”.

When I joined I.P.P.S., just 8 years ago, I was the only Japanese member of the Society.

During my extensive work with micropropagation, a number of projects were accomplished and shared with others, i.e., micropropagation of *Rhododendron*, *Haemanthus*, a new yellow garden *Camellia*, and *Cyclamen*. I was pleased seeing these results and feeling a little proud of my work. I had fulfilled my duty, namely, “SEEK AND SHARE”.

I sincerely hope this new I.P.P.S. Japan will play an important role to bring together various researchers, nurserymen, farmers, and consumers, and will develop into a true “SEEK AND SHARE” society.