Main Events

- **RHN Public Seminars**
  Eight public seminars will be held in fiscal year 2011.
- **RHN 10th Area Seminar** (co-hosted with Hokkaido University)
  People and Nature in Eastern Eurasia: Twenty years after the Soviet Union
  12 June, 2011  Hokkaido University
- **RHN 10th Forum**
  Reflections on the Water Around Us
  3 July, 2011  Kyoto International Conference Center
- **NHU 17th Open Lecture and Symposium** (co-hosted with NHU)
  7 October, 2011  Kyoto International Conference Center
- **RHN 10th International Symposium**
  Beyond Collapse
  26-28 October, 2011  RHN Lecture Hall
- **The Earth Forum Kyoto International Symposium**
  (co-hosted with Kyoto Prefecture and others)
  February, 2012  Kyoto International Conference Center

**Research Institute for Humanity and Nature**

**Science Communication**

As a national research institute, RHN is expected to conduct exemplary science; it also must communicate its research agenda and results to the public and contribute to public awareness and discussion of contemporary environmentalism.

A number of public symposia, campaigns, seminar series, and publications are designed to reach specialist and general audiences.

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