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Host Institution: Università di Camerino

Type of mobility:

Duration: 8 giorni

Description of the activities:

Professor Masayoshi Ishida and Ms. Sakiko Edelman, representing Ritsumeikan University, participated in the gastronomic event *Tipicità*, held in Fermo. Professor Ishida was involved in several key moments of the event, including a meeting with producers and entrepreneurs from the Marche region, as well as a culinary event on Japanese food culture in collaboration with Japanese chef Hiroshi Kido.

During the meeting with producers—organized by two students from the University of Camerino—Professor Ishida gave a talk on the theme of “dialogue between traditional and academic knowledge,” also introducing the foundation of the College of Gastronomy Management at Ritsumeikan University.

At the culinary event with Chef Kido, Professor Ishida introduced various aspects of Japanese food culture, focusing on traditional ingredients such as daikon radish, dashi, and yuzu citrus. In line with the theme, Chef Kido prepared two traditional Japanese dishes. While daikon is recently gaining popularity, Professor Ishida noted its possible Mediterranean origins. The audience was offered a valuable opportunity to deepen their understanding of Japanese food culture, which is also becoming increasingly popular in Italy.

An academic meeting between the two universities was also held at the University of Camerino. Professor Ishida explained the concept of the “Diffuse University” as a network connecting traditional know-how with academic disciplines. Ms. Sakiko Edelman, the administrative officer of the faculty, presented the internal structure of the College of Gastronomy Management.

The Ritsumeikan delegation also had the opportunity to explore traditional cuisine from the Marche region, which remains largely unknown in Japan. A particularly significant moment was the visit to a trattoria that had survived the earthquake, where a live cooking lesson on traditional Marchigiano dishes was held.

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