

Addressing Global Challenges in Food, Environment, and Sustainability — Through an International Co-Creation Network

On October 8, 2025, Shimonoseki City University signed an inter-university agreement with the Czech University of Life Sciences Prague (CZU). The signing ceremony, held in Prague, was marked by lively discussions on the potential for collaboration in the fields of education, research, and industry.

Founded in 1906, CZU is one of the leading universities in the Czech Republic, with more than 20,000 students. It is internationally recognized for its excellence in agriculture, environmental science, forestry, and sustainability studies.

Moreover, CZU is ranked 801–1000th in the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings, placing it among the top 3% of universities worldwide.

At Shimonoseki City University, a new course in the agri-food (agriculture and food) field is currently being considered for development, making collaboration with CZU a natural and timely partnership. Moving forward, the two universities plan to promote joint research and student exchange, focusing on sustainable food production, environmental conservation, and biotechnology.

This agreement represents the first step toward building an international co-creation network to tackle the global challenges of food, environment, and sustainability.

