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Program for Leading Graduate Schools, supported by MEXT-JSPS, is planned to drive drastic reforming of graduate school educational system, and to develop world-class degree programs transcending field borders, with the aim of producing graduates capable of serving as international leaders in academia, business, and government from 2012. "Advanced Graduate Program in Global Strategy for Green Asia" is one of Program for Leading Graduate Schools. It addresses the needs for highly trained scientists and engineers capable of balancing greening and economic growth in the Greater Asia region, and offers a variety of courses and internship opportunities designed to train students for the ability to foresee/solve multiplex problems and to take the leadership challenges in the dynamic industrial world. A student in this program having one of the three specialized majors (material science, system engineering, and resource engineering) will also study in the subjects of environmental science, sociology and economics. With the practical experience gained inside and outside of Japan, the student is expected to acquire the five types of abilities on research, practice, global perspective, system landscape and leadership at the end of the program.

This journal "Evergreen" will be very helpful to have fruitful discussions and exciting debate to polish ones' opinions on green sciences and green technologies concerning to the novel ways for promoting environmental and energy innovations. It is urgently hoped that this journal will give good chances to students as well as frontier-running researches in the world, for getting information and ideas on and sending messages for the Green Asia.

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