



To date, Mahidol University and Chiba University have been promoted and strengthened their collaboration, especially in academic and research exchange. As part of these effort, the CU-MU Collaborative Research and Training Center in Plant Factory, located at Mahidol University (Phaya Thai and Salaya campus) will be established to benefit and promote agriculture and food security for the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Professor Emeritus Toyoki Kozai is one of major contributors who plays an important role to enhance the collaboration between two institutions since 2010. When serving as Dean of Faculty of Horticulture during 1999 to 2003, he initiated to develop Doctoral Double Degree program in Biotechnology (Mahidol University) - Horticulture (Chiba University) which is the first Double Degree program establishment of both universities. Moreover, when he was a president of Chiba University in 2005, he has continuously promoted the expansion of academic collaboration between two institutions in many faculties. In acknowledgment of his many contributions to the public good, The Mahidol University Council thus unanimously resolves the conferral of the Honorary Doctorate Degree of Philosophy in Plant Science to Professor Emeritus Toyoki Kozai.

On 18<sup>th</sup> September 2018, Professor Emeritus Toyoki Kozai, along with other 7 Honorary Doctorate Degree Recipients were distributed the Academic gown by Professor Banchong Mahaisavariya, Acting President of Mahidol University, on the occasion of the Academic gown Presentation ceremony for Academic Year 2017, at Aditayathorn Building, Mahidol University International College, Mahidol University, Salaya Campus.