

## **Completion Ceremony for the Project for Reconstruction of a Greenhouse for Training High-skilled Agronomists in Armenian National Agrarian University**

On September 24, 2020, the Completion Ceremony for the “Project for Reconstruction of a Greenhouse for Training High-skilled Agronomists in Armenian National Agrarian University (ANAU)” in the amount of USD 67,212 was held at the ANAU. The Project was signed by Mr. Jun Yamada, Ambassador of Japan to Armenia and Mr. Arthur Grigoryan, Director of the International Center for Agribusiness Research and Education (ICARE) on March 26, 2019, and was aimed to replace the long-used and exhausted greenhouse at the Armenian National Agrarian University (ANAU) with the one of the state-of-the-art. As a result, it is expected to promote the productivity of the agriculture and approximately 70 students inside and outside the ANAU, as well as specialists and farmers of family-owned greenhouses will be directly benefitted from the project.

The Ceremony took place in the presence of Mr. Jun Yamada, Ambassador of Japan to Armenia, Mr. Arthur Martirosyan, Deputy Minister of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of the RA, Mr. Arman Khojoyan, Deputy Minister of Economy of the RA, Mr. Vardan Urutyan, Rector of the Armenian National Agrarian University and Mr. Arthur Grigoryan, Director of the International Center for Agribusiness Research and Education.

Mr. Grigoryan welcomed the guests with a short speech, after which Mr. Martirosyan, Mr. Khojoyan, Ambassador Yamada and Mr. Urutyan were invited to deliver speeches.

The Ceremony was followed by a tour inside the 4 separate sectors of the Greenhouse, which consisted of Farmbot (Farmer robot) sector, and 3 sectors with different plants: roses, cucumbers and tomatoes. Agronomists and specialists of each sector introduced the greenhouse technology and explained about the features of growth and planting process.

The tour was then followed by a wine reception, produced in the ANAU.



Ambassador Yamada and Mr. Urutyan,  
Rector of ANAU discussing the event



Welcoming speech by Mr. Grigoryan,  
Director of ICARE



Speech by Mr. Martirosyan, Deputy Minister  
of Education, Science, Culture and Sport



Speech by Mr. Khojoyan, Deputy Minister of  
Economy



Speech by Ambassador Yamada



Speech by Mr. Urutyan





Mr. Urutyan handing wine and certificate to Ambassador Yamada



Mr. Urutyan handing Apricot-symbol gift to Ambassador Yamada



Ambassador Yamada cutting the ribbon



Mr. Urutyan introducing the Farmbot



Mr. Urutyan and Agronomist introducing the roses in the Greenhouse



Ambassador Yamada and Mr. Urutyan congratulating each other on Completion of the Project