The 4th Satoumi Seminar, “What is the Satoumi Guide Aimed for?” Was held.
(Satoumi means rural natural sea)

The seminar was held at e-Topia Kagawa BB square on February 2, 2018 by the Seto Inland Sea Regional Research Center. The Center focused on “Experience”, an important element of Satoumi, and conducted the seminar on the theme of “What does the Satoumii Guide aims?”. In the keynote “What Satoumi Guides Aims”, Mr. Morita (Vice President of NPO Archipelago, Secretary General of the Kagawa Guide Association) gave a speech. He introduced about various activities to increase opportunities to learn about the sea, since citizen, especially the younger generation (10s to 20s) has been decreasing access to the sea.

Specifically, in order to consider environmental problems in the sea, first of all, it is necessary to make an effort to increase the number of people who learn about the sea by playing in the sea. He explained the activities of the Satoumi Professional Guide Training Course and the establishment of the Kagawa Guide Association.

Next, Three instructors gave the following case reports, while introducing about the scene of Satoumi tour in detail.

- “Satoumi Pro-Guide Training Course” by Mr. Matsuno (Representative of Hansokoubou, Vice President of Kagawa Guide Association).
- “Current situation and possibility of nature experience tour in Setouchi” by Mr. Komae (Representative of Free Cloud, president of Kagawa Guide Association).
- “Current status of the graduates of Satoumi professional guide training course” by Mr. Tani (Kagawa Guide Association Secretariat, NPO Archipelago (Setouchi Cleanup Forum))

According to the reports, 80% of Satoumi professional guide training courses are male and 20% are female, while there were unexpected reports that many participants in nature experience tours are women in their 20s to 40s.

It was meaningful seminar participated about 40.