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● Promoting Cooperation with Affiliated Institutions

Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (APMCDRR 2022)

The Asian Disaster Reduction Center (ADRC) sent representatives to the Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (APMCDRR 2022), which was held on 19 to 22 September 2022 in Brisbane, Australia.

ADRC organized a partner event of the Conference entitled “Building Resilient Communities by Investing in DRR Literacy for Proactive Actions focusing on “Leave No One Behind.” It was moderated by Ms KODAMA Miki, Deputy Director of the Research Department on 21 Sept. The event tapped into a wide range of stakeholders to showcase innovative practices for building community resilience, including investing in DRR literacy, as actions for ensuring “no one is left behind.” Through the discussion, we affirmed that (1) building a culture of DRR and having various people actively participate in DRR activities are effective for increasing DRR literacy, (2) targeting the younger generation in particular will lead to the development of leaders in the next generation, and (3) it is important to sustainably link daily life, welfare, and social protection during normal times with DRR during emergencies, especially at the local level. We also recognized that institutional and financial support for community disaster management activities is needed to ensure the sustainability of these activities. We recommended that DRR should not be treated as a special measure, but mainstreamed as a critical component in community policy making and planning. This reflects the statement included in the APMCDRR Co-chairs’ Statement, that “our endeavours are most likely to succeed through whole-of-society approaches that support community priorities and local institutions.” For more details about this event, please visit: <https://www.adrc.asia/acdr/2022apmcdrr.php>.

In addition, ADRC displayed two posters as a member of the “All Japan Bosai Team” in the Conference Marketplace. ADRC introduced participants to its recent



ADRC’s partner event

Building Resilient Communities by Investing in DRR Literacy for Proactive Actions focusing on “Leave No One Behind” (APMCDRR Partner Event I2)

Schedule
21
September
2022
13:30–14:30

Venue
Mezzanine
Room
M2
BCEC

Speakers:

Prof. TATSUKI Shigeo
Osaka University, Japan

Mr. Phom Don Khath
Vietnam Disaster
Management Authority

Ms. Vanda Langkham
First International
Asia Pacific Hub

Moderators:

Dr. Yi-Chung Liou
Dr. Yung-Juei
EPCC

Prof. HISAKAZU Sakuma
Nagoya Univ., Japan

Mr. SAZUKA Aki
ADRC

Ms. YOSHIDA Mami
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Outlines:

Realizing the importance of empowerment of community for reducing disaster damage, this event showcases innovative practices in building community resilience, including investing in DRR literacy as actions that ensure “no one is left behind”, introducing the successful examples of wide range stakeholders. This event will emphasize the importance of enhancing disaster literacy of all stakeholders in community, as well as networking of stakeholders in the communities to sustain and accelerate the actions.

For more details, please visit the event website: <https://www.adrc.asia/acdr/2022apmcdrr.php>
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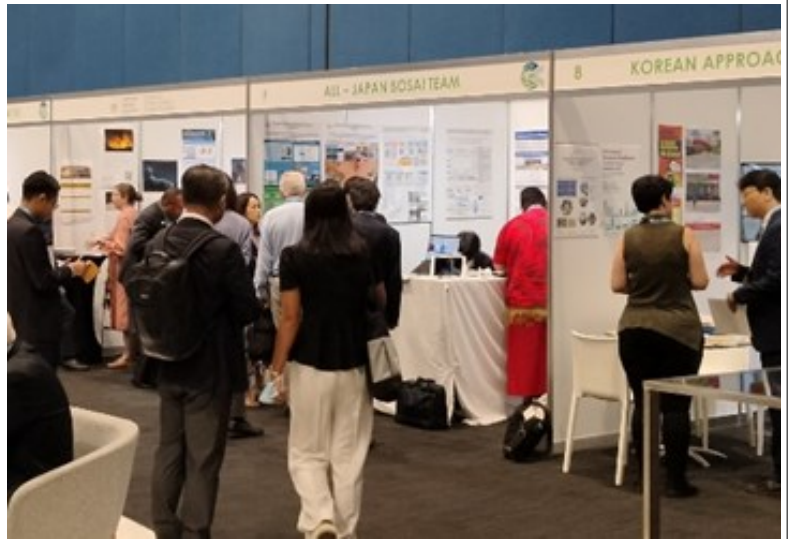
Flyer of the partner event

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activities, such as the “Quasi Zenith Satellite System (QZSS) for Early Warning Message Platform” and “Applying Space-Based Technology and ICT to Strengthen Disaster Resilience.”

ADRC participated in many events, including the: (1) Plenary: Risk-Informed Investments and Scaling Up Financing for Disaster Risk Reduction (20 Sept), (2) Working Session: Governance and Stakeholder Engagement for Resilient Infrastructure Services (20 Sept), and (3) Ignite Stage Presentation: Human Capacity Building that Supports Community Disaster Management by the City of Sendai (21 Sept).

Moreover, ADRC Executive Director SASAHARA Akio issued an official statement introducing ADRC's efforts and inviting partners to learn together for enhancing disaster resilience in the Asia Pacific region. The full statement is available at: <https://bit.ly/APMCDRR2022ADRC>.



Conference Marketplace

● Participation in International Conferences

The Regional Forum: Meeting of the Heads of National Disaster Management Authorities of Central Asian Countries

This Regional Forum co-organized by the Centre for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction (CESDRR) and the Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defence (CoES) of Tajikistan was held on 4-6 October 2022 in Dushanbe, Tajikistan. The Regional Forum was attended by more than 70 people including heads of emergency authorities in the Central Asian countries and UN officials, donors, and representatives of international and NGOs.

During the Regional Forum, many topics of international cooperation on DRR were discussed, such as the ongoing implementation of the Sendai Framework for DRR, lessons learned from major natural disasters and the recovery process, inclusive approaches to DRR, cross-border cooperation, and DRR investments. CESDRR pointed out that the Technical Working Group will be created for the development of a Regional Early Warning System and Mutual Information Sharing on Threats and Emergencies.

ADRC introduced current activities that contribute to capacity building in the Central Asian countries, such as the visiting researcher program, the Sentinel Asia project, GLIDE, and preparations for a future Asian Conference on Disaster Reduction (ACDR) in Tajikistan.



The Regional Forum of the Central Asian Countries

Workshop for Climate Change Vulnerabilities, Social Impacts, and Education for Autonomous Adaptation

The Climate Change Vulnerabilities, Social Impacts, and Education for Autonomous Adaptation was held

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from 12 to 14 September 2022 in Siem Reap, Cambodia. It was co-organized by the Department of Climate Change, the Ministry of Environment (MoE) in Cambodia, and the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA). The purpose of this workshop was to strengthen the capacity of officials from ASEAN member states to conduct climate change vulnerability assessments and to implement successful autonomous and planned adaptation measures.

ADRC joined Session 2, “Socio economic implications of climate vulnerability and framework conditions for adaptation planning,” and gave a presentation highlighting several good examples of countermeasures against floods and landslides in Japan. Dr Ikeda was a panelist during the discussion session.



Presentation by Dr Ikeda

● Announcement**Asian Conference on Disaster Reduction 2022**

We are pleased to announce that our annual meeting, the Asian Conference on Disaster Reduction for FY2022 (ACDR2022), will be held as a hybrid (onsite and online) conference on 10-12 March 2023 in Sendai, Japan (programmes on 11-12 March are open to the public). The details will be shared in this newsletter, as well as on the ADRC website.

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