

7-2. Participation in International Conferences and Contribution to Magazines

In order to develop organic networks with international organizations and NGOs in addition to member countries, ADRC attended the following international conferences and contributed to magazines to increase its presence and to participate in discussions with relevant organizations on international cooperation for disaster risk reduction.

Table 7-2-2-1 International Conferences

Conference	Date	Venue	Sponsors	Attendee	Contributions
The 2nd Workshop for the Working Group on policy on Disaster Prevention and Reduction for Industrial Parks in East Asia	11 April 2013	Japan (Sendai)	Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA)	Mr. Natori	Made a presentation on Japanese disaster reduction policies after the Great East Japan Earthquake (GEJE)
Workshop on Standard Operating Procedures for Coastal Multi-hazards Early Warning System	8-9 May 2013	Thailand (Bangkok)	UNESCAP, WMO Typhoon Committee	Mr. Ikeda	Introduced disaster prevention plans made by Japanese local governments and relevant disaster risk reduction (DRR) activities
International Forum on Recovery and Reconstruction of Sichuan Earthquake, China	11 May 2013	China (Doyang)	City of Chengdu, China, etc.	Mr. Kouchi	Participated in a panel discussion in the plenary session and made remarks on recovery from the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake in urban areas
Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction 4th Session	21-23 May 2013	Switzerland (Geneva)	UNISDR	Mr. Natori Mr. Kouchi Mr. Akamatsu Mr. Potutan	Participated in sessions including opening ceremony, and held following events: "Regional Mechanisms for Disaster Risk Reduction in Asia", "Regional Mechanisms for Disaster Risk Reduction in Asia", "Recovering and Building Resilience after Disasters", and "Lessons on Recovery from Mega-Disasters"

8th Meeting of Typhoon Committee Working Group on Disaster Risk Reduction	29-30 May 2013	Rep. of Korea (Seoul)	UNESCAP, WMO Typhoon Committee, and National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) of Rep. of Korea	Mr. Moriwaki	Discussed future activities of the working group, such as "Synergized Standard Operating Procedures for Coastal Multi-hazards Early Warning System (SSOP)" project, and strengthening international cooperation, etc.
Consultation Workshop on Developing Capacity Building Strategy through the Establishment of Disaster Management Training Center in Myanmar	2-4 July 2013	Myanmar (Nay Pyi Daw)	Government of Myanmar, JICA, and UNDP	Mr. Natori	Presented ADRC's capacity building activities for Myanmar, such as the Visiting Researcher program and the DRR training program for local government officials sponsored by Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund
The 1st Meeting of the Executive Committee and Development Support Group for the 6th Asia Ministerial Conference for Disaster Risk Reduction (AMCDRR)	5-6 August 2013	Thailand (Bangkok)	UNISDR	Mr. Natori	Discussed and determined framework of the 6 th AMCDRR such as theme and sub themes of the conference
JICA Follow-Up Seminar "Comprehensive Disaster Management"	14-15 August 2013	Kazakhstan (Almaty)	JICA	Ms. Yoshida	Introduced Japanese efforts for community-based disaster risk management and shared information on ADRC activities, as well as management of a regional center
The 1st Saudi International Conference on Crisis and Disaster Management	8-9 Sep. 2013	Saudi Arabia (Riyadh)	Imam University	Mr. Moriwaki	Gave a presentation on "Lessons Learnt from the Great East Japan Earthquake", and introduced the efficacy of disaster prevention education

ESCAP Expert Meeting on Improving Disaster Data to Build Resilience in Asia and the Pacific	30 Sep. - 1 Oct. 2013	Japan (Sendai)	UNESCAP and Tohoku University	Mr. Natori	Introduced GLIDE, disaster event numbering system proposed by ADRC
The 2nd ISDR Asia Partnership meeting for the year 2013	5-7 Nov. 2013	Thailand (Bangkok)	UNISDR	Mr. Natori	Expressed ADRC's contribution to the substantive in the key areas such as "reducing exposure/underlying risk factors" and "incentive for private sector in DRR", and to the consultation process through "the Asian Conference on Disaster Reduction"
The 1st Sentinel Asia Joint Project Meeting Step-3 (JPTM)	27-29 Nov. 2013	Thailand (Bangkok)	JAXA and Asian Institute of Technology (AIT)	Mr. Sugiura	Reported on the status of the emergency observations that were implemented and presented the suggestions for improvement of the questionnaire that are sent after emergency observation
The 3rd session of the Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction	27-29 Nov. 2013	Thailand (Bangkok)	UNESCAP	Mr. Kouchi	Made remarks on how Japanese technology, experience and lessons learned in recovery from flood, earthquake, and tsunami disasters have been utilized for recovery from recent major disasters in Asian countries
The 8th Integrated Workshop of the Typhoon Committee	1-5 Dec. 2013	China (Macau)	UNESCAP, WMO Typhoon Committee, and Macau Meteorological and Geophysical Bureau	Mr. Moriwaki	Discussed on "Forecasting, Warning and DRR Strategies in the Mitigation of Tropical Cyclone Impact in a Multi-hazard Environment"

The 46th Session of the Typhoon Committee	10-12 Feb. 2014	Thailand (Bangkok)	UNESCAP and WMO Typhoon Committee	Mr. Moriwaki	Discussed action plan of the committee's three working groups on meteorology, hydrology and disaster risk reduction (DRR) in the next year as well as their activities in the last year
The 5th UN-SPIDER Regional Support Offices (RSO) Meeting	13-15 Feb. 2014	Austria (Vienna)	United Nations Platform for Space-based Information for Disaster Management and Emergency Response (UN-SPIDER)	Mr. Sugiura	Presented ADRC's activities and accomplishments as RSO as well as its future plans and exchanged opinions with the secretariat and other RSOs
The 6th Asia-Pacific Economy Cooperation (APEC) Emergency Preparedness Working Group (EPWG) Meeting	17-18 Feb. 2014	China (Ningbo)	APEC	Mr. Natori	Elected as co-chairman of EPWG and reported the activities in 2013 and proposed the work plan of 2014
Expert Group Meeting on Urban Disaster Risk Reduction and Resilience	13-14 March 2014	Japan (Sendai)	UNHABITAT and Tohoku University	Mr. Natori	ADRC participants (including VRs) discussed with other experts on the issue of urban disaster reduction and resilience
APEC High Level Policy Dialogue on Resilient SMEs for Better Global Supply Chains	24 March 2014	Chinese Taipei (Taichung)	APEC	Mr. Natori	Sharing the achievements of the APEC Multi Year Project "Improving Natural Disaster Resilience of APEC SMEs to Facilitate Trade and Investment", in which the insights from the high level officials from APEC economies
Tri-Lateral Expert Meeting on Disaster Loss Data and DRR Technology Sharing	26-28 March 2014	Rep. of Korea (Jeju)	UNESCAP, Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat, UNISDR, Government of Rep. of Korea	Mr. Natori	Following up activities of Expert Group Meeting Improving Disaster Data to Build Resilience, held at Sendai

Table 7-2-2-2 Academic Conferences and Symposia

Conference	Date	Venue	Sponsors	Attendee	Contributions
The Forum on Post-Disaster Revival and International Disaster Reduction -Experience and Lessons from 5-Year Wenchuan Post-Disaster Reconstruction and Lushan Earthquake Relief	8-10 May 2013	China (Chengdu)	Sichuan University and Hong Kong Polytechnic University	Mr. Kouchi	Made a keynote speech on how Japanese technology and lessons from disasters have been utilized for building resilience in China
G1 Global Conference	16 Sep. 2013	Japan (Tokyo)	GLOBIS University	Mr. Arakida	Presented on “Africa and Japan: Business and Development Partnership after TICAD V -experience in Kenya-“

Table 7-2-2-3 Articles

Newspaper/Journal	Date	Author	Title
Kindai Shoubou	May 2013	Mr. Natori	Asian Conference on Disaster Reduction 2013
Kindai Shoubou	Sep. 2013	Mr. Kouchi	Activities of International Recovery Platform (IRP) and its response to Great East Japan Earthquake
Kindai Shoubou	Dec. 2013	Ms. Yoshida	ADRC's cooperation with Central Asian countries on disaster risk reduction
Kindai Shoubou	Feb. 2014	Ms. Shiomi	Visiting Researcher Program implemented by ADRC
Kouhou Bousai	March 2014	Mr. Kouchi	Survey of the Typhoon-affected areas in the Philippines
The Japan Times	March 2014	Mr. Natori	Reducing shock to businesses after a disaster