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The Fourth World Tsunami Museum Conference

Date:

15 December 2022, Thursday 14:00 – 17:30
Japan Standard time online and in person

Venue:

International Research Institute of Disaster Science (IRIDeS)
Tohoku University, Sendai City, Japan

Background and objectives

In December 2015, a resolution jointly proposed by 142 countries to designate November 5 as “World Tsunami Awareness Day” was adopted by consensus at the United Nations General Assembly.

Tsunami museums and other disaster related museums have been established around the world, preserving images of tsunami and disaster damage and records of measures taken. It is important to pass on these records kept in tsunami and disaster museums to the next generation, to share these experiences and lessons learned with the world, and to prepare against future tsunamis and other types of natural hazards, which may strike at any moment.

Thus, the World Tsunami Museum Conference (WTMC) was initiated by the UNDRR receiving financial and substantive support from the Government of Japan. The objectives of the WTMC is to share and discuss experiences, good practices and lessons learned among existing disaster-related museums as well as to foster an international network of disaster museums to learn from each other.

Building on the three previous World Tsunami Museum Conferences, the Fourth World Tsunami Museum Conference (WTMC4) will be held in a hybrid modality with the focus on “Roles of Youth and Tsunami Museums for resilience of societies.”

Organizers:

United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) Kobe Office,
International Research Institute of Disaster Science (IRIDeS) Tohoku
University, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) Japan

Cooperation:

Japanese Association for Museums, Japan National Committee for
International Council of Museums (ICOM)

Registration:

Registration is free.
To register, please fill out the online registration form: <https://buff.ly/3EV9eIK>
For any inquiries about the conference: undrr-japan@un.org

Language: English and Japanese with simultaneous translation



AGENDA

15 December 2022 14:00 – 17:30 JST

<p>Overall moderator</p>	<p>Dr. Yuichi Ono Professor, IRIDeS, Tohoku University</p>
<p>Session 1: Opening 14:00 – 14:30</p>	<p>Representative Ministry of Foreign Affairs Japan Dr. Yuki Matsuoka Head of UNDRR Kobe Office Prof. Mitsuru Haga Special Advisor to the President for Promotion of Diversity, Tohoku University Ms. Kazuko Kohri Mayor of Sendai City, Japan</p>
<p>Session 2: Keynote 14:30 – 15:00</p>	<p>Dr. Fumihiko Imamura Professor of Tsunami Engineering, IRIDeS, Tohoku University <i>Keynote presentation on 3.11 Densho Road</i></p>
<p>Session 3: Part I: Presentations by museums on “How tsunami and disaster museums communicate to with young people?” 15:00 – 16:00</p>	<p>Mr. Muhammad Syahputra Azwar General Manager, Aceh Tsunami Museum Mr. Walter Dudley Co-founder, Hawaii Pacific Tsunami Museum Ms. Ratchaneekorn Thongthip Director, Thailand Tsunami Museum Ms. Aki Kawasaki Guide, Kamaishi City, Tsunami Memorial Hall</p>
<p>Session 4: Part II: Panel discussion on roles of youth and tsunami museums for resilience 16:00 – 17:20</p>	<p>Four panelists from museums Mr. Muzailin Affan Adviser, Aceh Tsunami Museum & Director, Universitas Syiah Kuala Mr. Walter Dudley Co-founder, Hawaii Pacific Tsunami Museum Ms. Ratchaneekorn Thongthip Director, Thailand Tsunami Museum Ms. Aki Kawasaki Guide, Kamaishi City, Tsunami Memorial Hall</p> <p>Three panelists from non-museums Ms. Yoko Sato Manager of the Disaster Resilient and Environmentally Friendly City Promotion Office, City of Sendai Mr. Yuji Kurihara Director, Japanese Association of Museums & Vice Chair, ICOM Japan Ms. Hanna Pennock Chair of International Council of Museums Standing Committee on Disaster Risk Management</p> <p>Dialogue with youth from Japan, Indonesia, USA, and China Youth from Japan – High School students in Niigata Prefecture Youth from Indonesia – Aceh Youth from Hawaii – Hawaii Youth from China – Master Student of Tohoku University</p>
<p>Wrap up and Closing remarks 17:20 – 17:30</p>	<p>Dr. Yuichi Ono Professor, IRIDeS, Tohoku University</p>