2012 Kick-off Workshop for TIEMS Japan Chapter

As doing research on evacuation management during volcanic crisis, it was a big opportunity that TIEMS Japan Chapter awarded me a support to participate in the workshop.

The 2012 Kick-off Workshop for TIEMS Japan Chapter gave a start for young researchers to learn more about “emergency management” world, either from the scientific perspective or practical point of view. This seminar also provided odds to develop network with people in the domain of emergency management all around the world (planners, researchers, industrial people, social scientists, emergency manager, and others institution working on emergency and disaster management).

With the theme “Resilient Asia: Implementing International Emergency Management System”, this workshop gave us several examples how different countries prepare to cope with coming disasters and how several countries handled natural or technological disasters. We learnt from Japan, how they managed the March 11th earthquake followed by tsunamis. More than that, we also learn the disaster preparedness and mitigation from Japanese case study (Tokyo Rinkai Disaster Prevention Park as a central base of operations for disaster prevention in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area).

In this occasion, I would like also promote “TIEMS Young Scientists Network” who connects young researchers from various backgrounds in the emergency and disaster management field. This network provides an opportunity to communicate with other young researchers with experienced emergency and disaster management professionals under the umbrella of TIEMS.

Last but not least, I would like to express my sincere gratitude for TIEMS and TIEMS Japan Chapter. I really hope that this “emergency management society” will grow around the world. Thus, we can improve our ability to cope with either natural or technological disasters.

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