The 7th APRU MH Summer School will be held on 22-25 July at Tohoku University in collaboration with the AEARU. This year’s focus is “Supporting the interface between science and policy for decision making in disaster risk reduction”. Students and faculty interested in disaster risk reduction (DRR) and management are welcome to join this event.

**Major Objectives**
- Understand the mechanism of the international DRR strategy
- Learn from the experience and recovery process from the 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami
- Learn from various DRR projects that have been implemented in the Tohoku region and overseas
- Discuss the role of science and technology as well as universities in the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction
The Program was launched in April 2013 by APRU and the International Research Institution of Disaster Science (IRIDeS), Tohoku University. IRIDeS provides secretariat services and coordination support as the program hub for the Program. The main objectives are to harness the collective capacities of APRU Universities for cutting-edge research on disaster risk reduction (DRR) and to contribute to international policy-making discussions to steadily improve DRR.

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Having experienced the catastrophic disaster in 2011, Tohoku University has founded the International Research Institute of Disaster Science (IRIDeS). Scholars from 38 fields who shared high ideals and strong sense of urgency, came together in 7 divisions from both the humanities and the natural sciences, to participate in a multi-disciplinary and multi-layered approach to lead the studies of disaster science. Based on the lessons from the 2011 Great East Japan (Tohoku) Earthquake and Tsunami disaster, IRIDeS aims to become a world centre for the study of the disasters and disaster mitigation, learning from and building upon past lessons in disaster management from Japan and around the world.

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