



Moving Forward As One SENDAI

The 3rd UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction - Overview and Results of the Conference

UN World Conference on
Disaster Risk Reduction

2015 Sendai Japan

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Overview of the results of the 3rd UN WCDRR 1)

- Held in Sendai City from Saturday, March 14 to Wednesday, March 18, 2015.
- The main conference was attended by 6,593 people, including representatives from 185 UN member states (over 100 cabinet members, including 25 prime ministers), international organizations, NGOs, and the media.
- The Public Forum was attended by a total of 150,000 participants from both home and abroad.
- The largest-ever UN-related international conference held in Japan.

1 Main conference

The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, which is an international guiding principle for DRR for the next 15 years, and the Sendai Declaration, which contains the political commitments of each country to DRR, were formulated and adopted.

2 Public Forum

The Great East Japan Earthquake Forum, the programs “Civil Society Collaboration and DRR” and “Gender and DRR” in the Thematic Pavilions, and symposiums hosted by ministries and agencies, universities, NGOs, and community groups were held at several venues in the city. Various indoor and outdoor exhibitions were also held, including the International Exhibition on Disaster Risk Reduction and the Tohoku Reconstruction & DRR Pavilion.

3 Welcome events

Study tours, excursions, and receptions hosted by community organizations were conducted in cooperation with the prefectures in the Tohoku region.

Today's Agenda

- 1 Background of the UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction
- 2 Why the conference was hosted by Sendai City?
- 3 What is the UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction?
- 4 Overview of the conference held in Sendai City
- 5 Results and evaluation of the conference

1. Background of the UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction

Major disasters in the world (since 2000)



87,000 People

2008 Sichuan earthquake



140,000 People

2008 Cyclone Nargis (Myanmar)



230,000 People

2004 Indian ocean earthquake and Tsunami

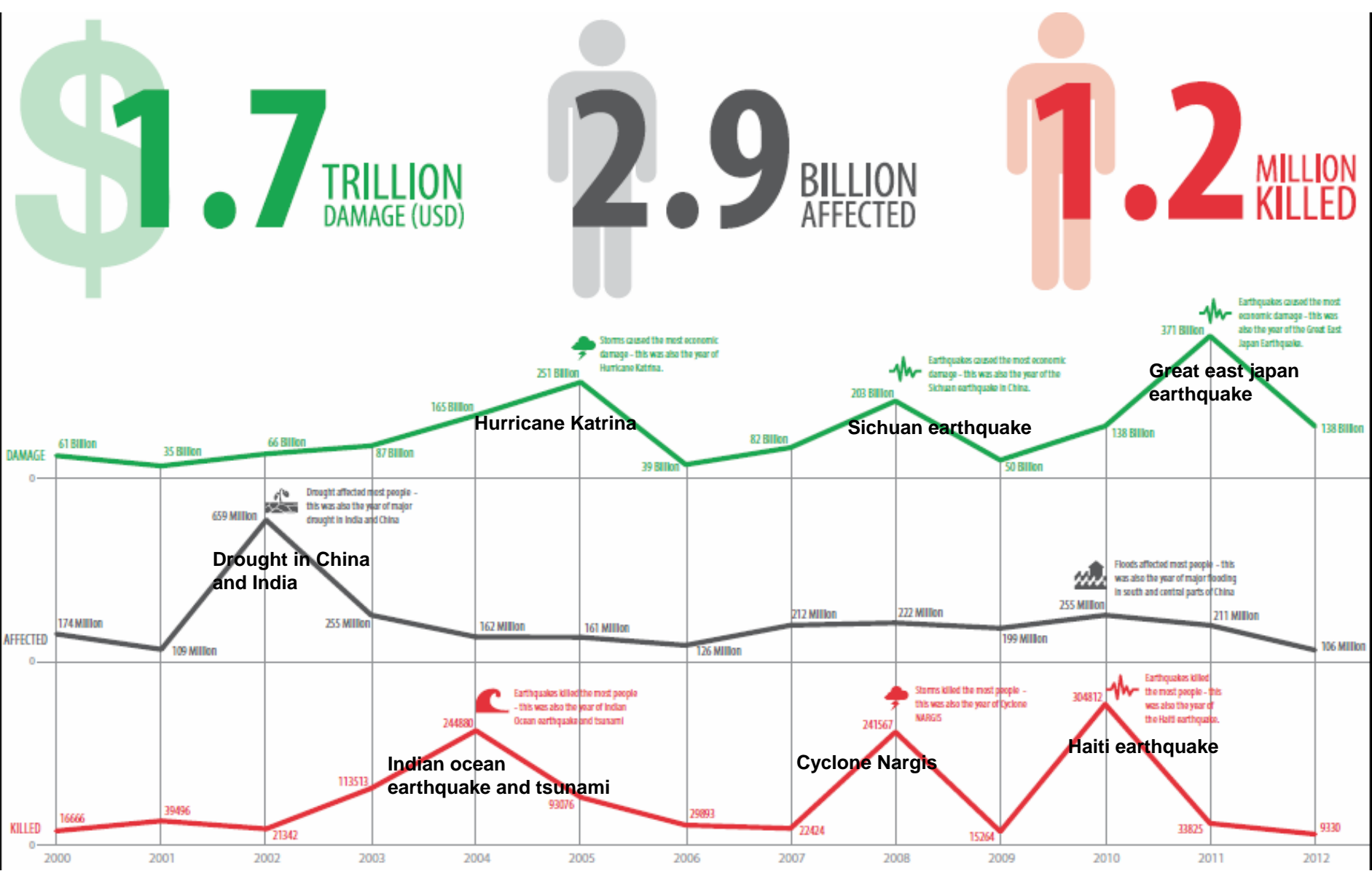


300,000 People

2010 Haiti earthquake

Damage of disasters (2000 – 2012)

Materials provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs



Rash of natural disasters and their impact on sustainable development

Materials provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- ◆ **90% of the victims** of natural disasters = residents in developing countries
→ The most vulnerable are exposed to natural disasters. (human security)
- ◆ Serious **economic losses**
ex.) Haiti Earthquake (2010): Damage (7.8 billion dollars) = 1.2 times of GDP
→ The earthquake ruined the efforts and results of long-term development in a moment.



- ◆ DRR is essential to protect human lives and development results and **realize sustainable development.**
- ◆ **Prior investment for DRR** based on a long-term perspective before the occurrence of disasters is smaller compared to recovery costs after the disasters. (Investment for DRR is rewarding.)
→ Aiming to **mainstream DRR**, introducing the perspective of DRR into every development plan and policy

Japan's main assertion in the conference

Spiral of disasters and poverty



Greatly detrimental to sustainable development

Approach of the international community to the 3rd UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction



2. Why the conference was hosted by Sendai City?

Features of the UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction

Organizer

United Nations

Purpose

To discuss international strategies for DRR, review the progress of the Hyogo Framework for Action, and formulate strategies for the next generation

Feature 1

Hosted by the UN based on a resolution of the UN General Assembly

Feature 2

Attended by UN member states (193), international organizations, NGOs, experts, the media, etc.

Feature 3

Attended by high-level people involved, such as top leaders and cabinet members, from UN member states

Feature 4

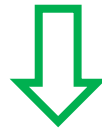
Transmitted a variety of information to participants from home and abroad as the host city

The goal of the city 1) (Disseminating the experiences and lessons learned from the Great East Japan Earthquake)

We have a wealth of **lessons and knowledge** on DRR because we have recovered from many disasters.



Our know-how is helpful to formulating disaster reduction strategies towards **sustainable development** in the world.



We aimed to make this the most fruitful conference to contribute to developing a worldwide culture of disaster prevention.



The goal of the city 2) (As a role model city)

Sendai was recognized as a Role Model in the 2010-2015 World Disaster Campaign “Making Cities Resilient.”

We have a duty to contribute to worldwide DRR.

(A role model in promoting community-based DRR and empowering people to act on DRR.)

Why Sendai?

Sendai is well regarded as having proactively been prepared for earthquakes by reinforcing buildings prior to the 2011 earthquake. Since the disasters, the city and its citizens have worked together to take resilience and environmental measure to the next level based on the lessons learned from the Great East Japan Earthquake.



Margareta Wahlstrom, Special representative of the UN Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction presented the Mayor of Sendai with a certificate of recognition on October 9th, 2012.

As a role model city

Sendai will share its ongoing DRR initiatives with the world and help to develop a worldwide culture of disaster prevention together with the United Nations, based on the lessons learned from the Great East Japan Earthquake.

The goal of the city 3) (Growth of the city)

**Taking the opportunity of this conference,
we wanted to build the future of the city.**

● Develop Sendai as a city with advanced disaster management policies

- Encouraged residents, companies, and various other organizations to participate in the conference to prevent the memories of the earthquake from fading away and raise awareness of DRR
- Develop Sendai as a world-leading city with advanced disaster management policies, drawing global attention to its policies

● Pursue the recognition of Sendai as a convention city

- Introduced people from home and abroad to the reconstruction situation of disaster-affected areas to eradicate reputational damage and convey the attractiveness of the Tohoku region
- Encouraged relevant parties in the city to gain experience in hosting the largest-ever international conference in the Tohoku region to attract many other large-scale conventions and further increase human interactions

**Seeing the conference as a step for Sendai in
taking a great leap forward**

Road to Sendai being chosen as the venue of the conference

2011. 5.17

The Japanese government announced its intention to bring the 3rd conference to Japan in the GP.
Sendai City expressed a desire to bring the conference to **Sendai City**.

2011. 9.10

Sendai City expressed its intention to bring the conference to the city to Ms. Margareta Wahlström, Special representative of the UN Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction , when she visited Sendai.

2012. 7. 3

The World Ministerial Conference on Disaster Reduction in Tohoku (Sendai)
The city applied for participation in the UNISDR World Disaster Reduction Campaign .

2012.10. 9

A special event at the Annual Meetings of the IMF and the World Bank Group, “**Sendai Dialogue on Disaster Risk Management and Development**” (Sendai)
The city was recognized as a role model city.

2012.10.24

Vice Mayor Ito participated in **the 5th Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction** (Bangkok).

2013. 3.13

The city **submitted an application form** to the Government to host the conference.

2013. 5.14

The holding of the 3rd UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction in Sendai City was **approved in a Cabinet meeting**.

2013.12.

It was announced by the UN General Assembly that the 3rd UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction would be held in Sendai City from March 14 to 18, 2015.

◆ To promote mainstreaming of DRR in international cooperation as well as domestic policies of the member states.

◆ To heighten the international momentum to incorporate DRR into the Post-2015 Development Agenda, taking the opportunity of the conference

→ Japan has an advantage in disaster risk deduction.
Mobilize funds to support disaster reduction efforts.

◆ To disseminate and share worldwide Japan's knowledge about and expertise in DRR and recovery.

(including the transmission of information on the reconstruction situation of areas affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake)

→ Share technologies and systems for DRR with countries in the world.

3. What is the UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction?

Outline of the conference

1) Main conference



UN World Conference on
Disaster Risk Reduction
2015 Sendai Japan

◆ Organizer:

United Nations

◆ Schedule:

March 14 (Sat.) to 18 (Wed.), 2015 in Sendai City

◆ Venue :

Sendai International Center (Conference Building, Exhibition Building, etc.)

◆ Purposes:

- This is a UN-hosted conference to formulate international strategies for DRR. Both the 1st conference (Yokohama City, 1994) and the 2nd conference (Hyogo Prefecture, 2005) were held in Japan.
- [The Hyogo Framework for Action \(HFA\)](#), an international guiding principle for DRR from 2005 to 2015, was developed at the 2nd UN World Conference on Disaster Reduction.
- Aiming to review the implementation of the HFA and adopt **an international framework for DRR after 2015 (Post-HFA)** at the 3rd conference

◆ Participants:

UN member states, international organizations, international NGOs, etc.

Outline of the conference

2) Related events / Public Forum

Public Forum

Great East Japan Earthquake Forum

- Organizer: Government of Japan
Sendai Committee
- Venue: Centennial Hall
(Kawauchi Hagi Hall),
Tohoku University

- Contents:

With “Global Knowledge Sharing of Experiences and Lessons Learned from the Great East Japan Earthquake” as the theme, a total of nine symposiums will be held, five of which are hosted by the Government of Japan and four of which by the Sendai Committee, as core events of the Public Forum.

- Participants:
Pre-registration required.
Participants in the main conference and many residents will join this forum.

- Venue: Several venues in Sendai City and in other prefectures in Aomori, Iwate, Miyagi, Fukushima, which are disaster-affected prefectures in the Tohoku region
- Entire planning and coordination: Sendai Committee for the UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction

Symposium / Seminar

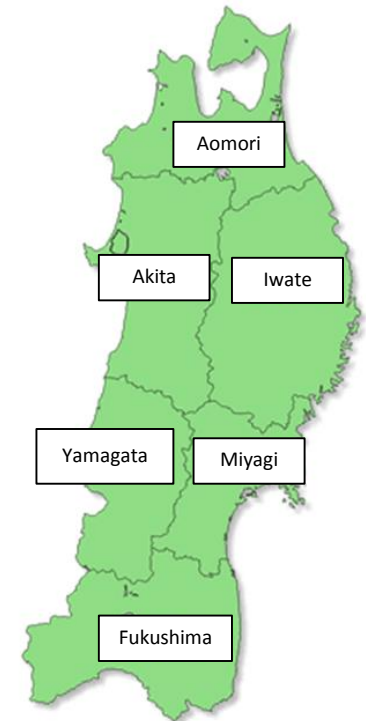
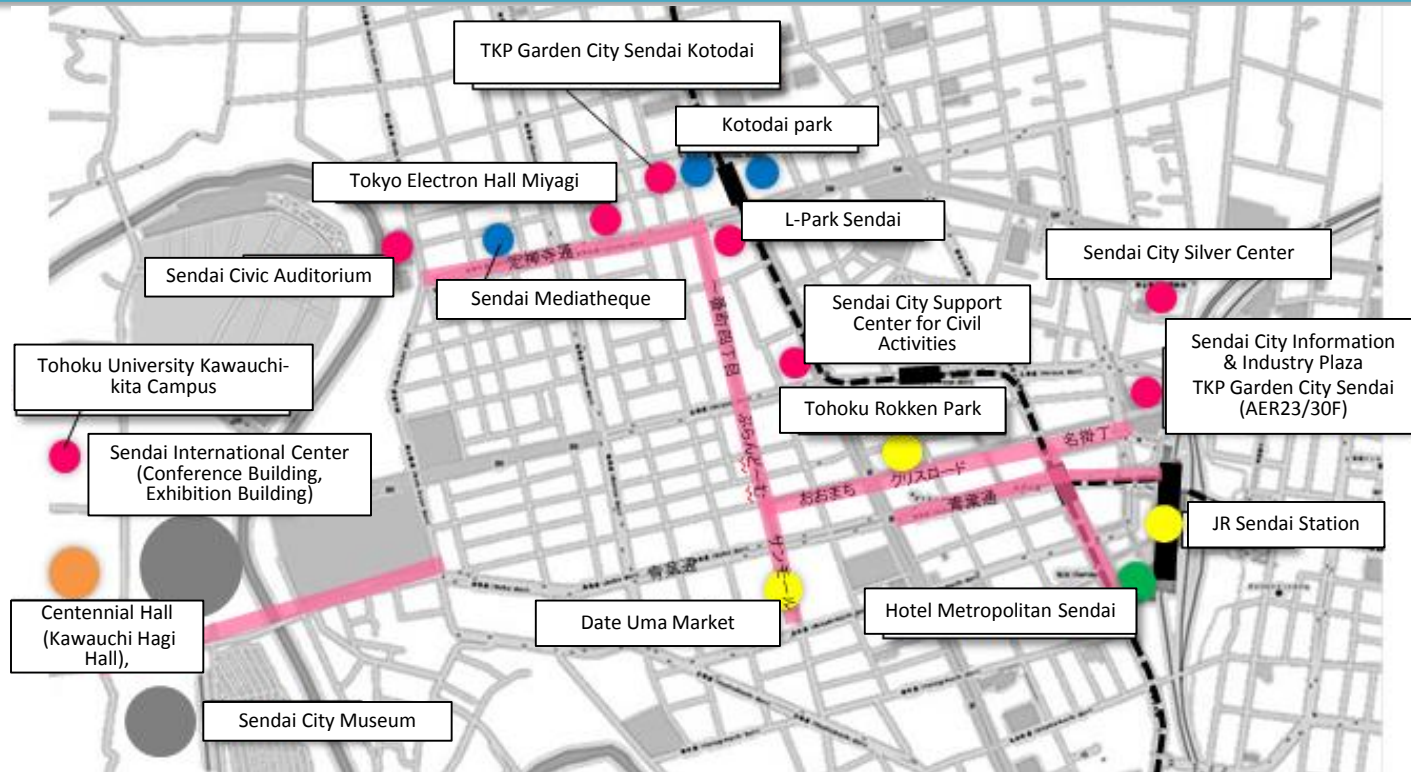
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Exhibitions

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Venue Map



- The 3rd UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction
- Great East Japan Earthquake Forum
- Symposium, Seminar
- Exhibition
- Reception hosted by Sendai City
- products, etc.
- Welcome decoration

Symposiums were held in seven venues in four disaster-affected prefectures in the Tohoku region.

Schedule

		3/13 FRI	3/14 SAT	3/15 SUN	3/16 MON	3/17 TUE	3/18 WED	3/19 THU	3/20 FRI
Inter-Governmental Segment / Multi-Stakeholder Segment	UN	Preparatory Committee	Intergovernmental meeting Multi-stakeholder meeting						
Public Forum	Sendai Committee		Great East Japan Earthquake Forum Symposium, Seminar Booth Exhibitions, Tohoku Reconstruction & DRR Pavilion Exhibition of DRR Industry in Sendai						
Welcome Event	Sendai Committee								
			Study Tour (Disaster affected area official tourism)						
			Cultural Experience Tours for Spouses	Welcome Reception			Excursion		
			Tohoku OMOTENASHI Centre (Sendai City Museum)						
			Welcome decoration, exhibitions of tourism products, etc.						

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Implementation system

Organizer

United Nations

Host Country



Host City



Sendai Committee for the UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction

Cabinet Office

Reconstruction Agency

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Government of Japan



Six prefectures in Tohoku



Research institutions



Sendai Association of Corporate Executives



Local financial circles / collaborative organizations



Hotels and inns



Convention and visitors bureau



Sendaishi Rengou Tyounaikaityoukai

Miyagi Cooperative Reconstruction Center

Equal net Sendai

NPO



Supporting companies



Research institutions



Citizens • NPO

4. Overview of the conference held in Sendai City

Official Program

	Friday Mar. 13	Saturday Mar. 14				Sunday Mar. 15		Monday Mar. 16		Tuesday Mar. 17		Wednesday Mar. 18	
	AM	AM		PM		AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	
Inter-Governmental Segment	Preparatory Committee	Opening	Plenary	High level partnership dialogue	Plenary Official Statements							Adoption of Post-2015 Framework for DRR, Declaration and commitments	Closing
					Ministerial roundtable High level multi-stakeholder partnership dialogue								
Multi-stakeholder Segment				Working Session									
				Reception Hosted by Japan		Reception Hosted by Sendai City		Risk Award Ceremony		Sasakawa Award Ceremony			
				Study Tour									
				Ignite Stage									
Public Forum organizedd by UN				Children And Youth Forum, TV Documentary Film Festival									

1 Inter-Governmental Segment

- Plenary official statements (main session)
- Ministerial roundtable (5 themes)
- High-Level multi-stakeholder partnership dialogue (3 themes)

2 Multi-Stakeholder Segment

- 34 working sessions on various topics
(attended by UN-authorized organizations)

3 Public Forum

- Exhibitions, forums and events open to the public

Main Conference / Entire Outline 2)

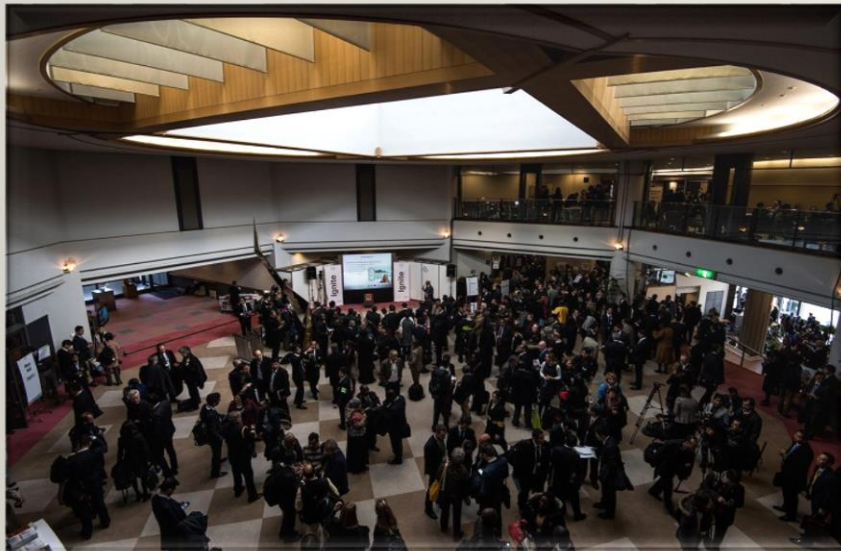
◆ Ministerial Roundtables

15 March 10:00 – 13:00	Reconstructing after Disasters : Build Back Better
15 March 15:00 – 18:00	International Cooperation in support of a post-2015 framework for DRR
16 March 10:00 – 13:00	Governing Disaster Risk Overcoming Challenges
16 March 15:00 – 18:00	Reducing Disaster Risk in Urban Setting
17 March 15:00 – 18:00	Public Investment strategies for DRR

◆ High-Level Multi-stakeholders Partnership Dialogues

14 March 15:00 – 18:00	Mobilizing Women's Leadership in DRR
16 March 15:00 – 18:00	Risk-Sensitive Investment Public-Private Partnership
17 March 10:00 – 13:00	Inclusive DRM: Governments, Communities, & Group Acting together

Sessions / Venue



Sessions / Opening Ceremony



Sessions / Opening Ceremony (continued)



Sessions / Roundtable, Dialogue



Sessions / Working Session



Sessions / Various programs



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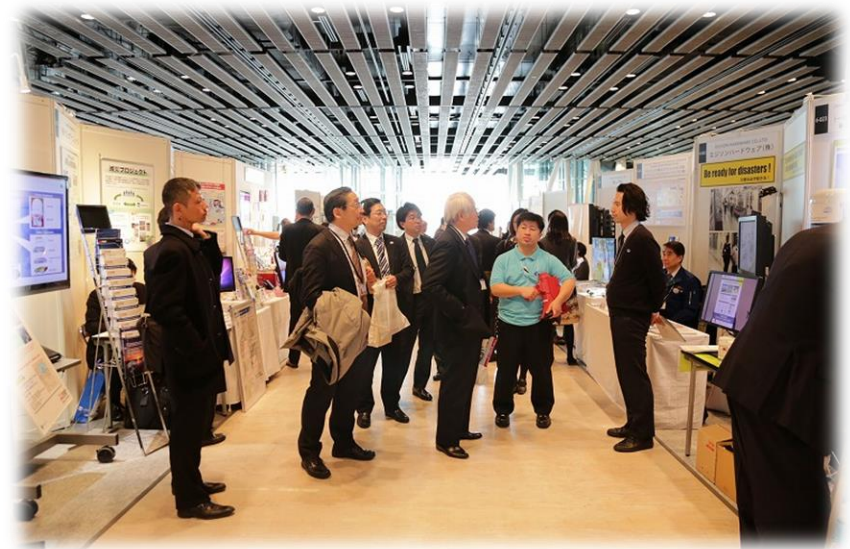
Related Events / Great East Japan Earthquake Forum



Related Events / Sendai Mediatheque (Tohoku Reconstruction & DRR Pavilion)



Related Events / Booth and Poster exhibitions



Related Events / Thematic Pavilion, Symposium & Seminar



Related Events / Outdoor Exhibitions



Related Events / Exhibition of DRR Industry



Welcome events / Transmission of information

○ Reception hosted by Sendai City

- Held to welcome visitors and express appreciation for their support of reconstruction, as well as to introduce the attractiveness of Sendai City and the Tohoku region.
- Attended by 1,050 people participating in the main conference.



○ Study tour & Excursion

- 25 study tours and 5 excursions were provided.
- The study tours aimed to disseminate the experiences and lessons learned from the earthquake and the recovery efforts by taking participants to disaster-affected areas.
- The excursions aimed to introduce attractive information on tourism resources in the Tohoku region.
- 673 people participated in these events.



Study tour at
Arahama Elementary
School



Study tour at the Port
of Soma, Fukushima
Prefecture

○ Tohoku OMOTENASHI Centre

- Set up in the Sendai City Museum to guide visitors to sightseeing spots in the six prefectures in the Tohoku region and to provide an opportunity to experience traditional culture.



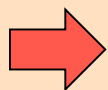
5. Results and evaluation of the conference

Evaluation of the conference 1)

- It was the largest-ever UN-related international conference held in Japan (largest-ever in terms of the participating countries).

The conference obtained political commitments from the international community to DRR, which is a significant achievement to mainstream DRR.

Member States	185 (Head of States, Head of Governments, Vice President:25, Ministerial-level officials: more than 100)
Intergovernmental Organizations	49
International organizations	38
NGOs	188
Private Sectors	more than 300
Local Governments	more than 280
Media:	200



6,593 persons participated from the world

Evaluation of the conference 2)

- In the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, which is a new international guiding principle for DRR, ideas suggested by Japan, such as the importance of investment in DRR, commitment by various stakeholders, and the concept of “Build Back Better,” were included.



The importance of commitment of various stakeholders to DRR was confirmed, and the basis for many organizations to participate in international discussion was formed.

Sendai Cooperation Initiative for Disaster Risk Reduction

1 Basic Concept

- ◆ Disasters are an obstacle to poverty eradication and sustainable development, and thus a threat to human security.
- ◆ **Mainstreaming of disaster risk reduction** (DRR) – introducing the DRR perspective in all development policy and planning – is important. Clearly positioning DRR in the post-2015 development agenda is important from the perspective of resource mobilization.
- ◆ High attention to the efforts for “adaptation” at the climate change negotiation where an agreement is required by the end of this year. Firm DRR efforts will contribute to the climate change negotiation.
- ◆ Japan will build with the international community a society that is resilient to disasters by sharing with the world its knowledge and technology as a country advanced in DRR.

2 Basic Policies

- ◆ Japan attaches particular importance to the three points in DRR policies outlined below, building on the experience of the past 10 years since the formulation of HFA.
 - (1) **Investment in DRR from the long-term perspective**
Prior investment in DRR is more cost-effective than post-disaster emergency response and recovery and contributes to sustainable development.
 - (2) **Build Back Better**
The post-disaster phase provides an opportunity to implement drastic measures to build countries and regions that are resilient to disasters.
 - (3) **Collaboration between the central governments and various actors**
Addressing with networks including local governments, private companies, NGOs/CSOs, international organizations and regional organizations, with the central government taking the initiative.
- ◆ Japan will take the following perspectives into consideration in implementing cooperation.
 - (1) **The human security approach** and **promoting women's participation** (women, children, the elderly and persons with disabilities)
 - (2) **Cooperation based on the perspective of adaptation to the impacts of climate change**
 - (3) **Utilizing Japan's knowledge and technology**



Cooperation through effectively combining (i) non-material assistance, (ii) material assistance and (iii) global and region-wide cooperation.

Evaluation of the conference 4)

- Since the conference was held in Sendai City, one of the areas affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake, the conference provided an opportunity to spread the reconstruction from the Great East Japan Earthquake with cooperation from the surrounding local governments.
- Food and liquors produced in the disaster-affected areas were actively provided at the receptions hosted by the Government of Japan and Sendai City to counter harmful rumors.
- It became possible to transmit the current condition and reconstruction of the disaster-affected areas through study tours.

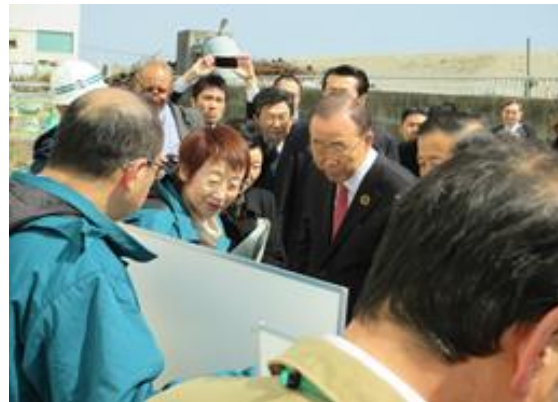


Evaluation of the conference / Evaluation as Sendai City

- The Public Forum was attended by a total of 150,000 people, which greatly exceeded expectations.
- The reconstruction of disaster-affected areas in Sendai City and the Tohoku region was transmitted through the Public Forum and study tours.
- The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, and the Sendai Declaration, with the name of “Sendai” were adopted.
- A network with international institutions was established.
- The success of the conference serves as a stepping stone for Sendai to become a convention city.



Presentation given by Mayor at the “Mobilizing Women's Leadership in DRR”



UN Secretary-General visiting the Minami-gamo Wastewater Treatment Plant



Joint press conference by Ms. Yamatani, Minister of State for Disaster Management, and Ms. Wahlström, Special Representative of UN Secretary-General for DRR, after the close of the conference

Evaluation of the conference / Evaluation as Sendai City

(Number of participants)

1. Symposium, Seminar

(1) Great East Japan Earthquake Forum	Tohoku University Centennial Hall	10 Events	Mar. 14 ~ Mar. 18	6,949
(2) Symposium, Seminar	Several venues in Sendai City and other areas	388Events		48,615

2. Indoor Exhibitions

(1) Booth Exhibition, Poster Exhibition	6 Venues (Sendai Mediatheque, Sendai Civic Auditorium, etc)	Mar. 14 ~Mar. 18	33,364
(2) Tohoku Reconstruction & DRR Pavilion	Sendai Mediatheque 1 st Flr.		10,427
(3) Exhibition of DRR Industry in Sendai	Miyagi Exhibition Center	Mar. 15 ~Mar. 17	5,827

3. Outdoor Exhibitions

(1) Sendai Disaster Prevention Square	Kotodai Park	Mar. 14 ~Mar. 15	24,000
(2) Firefighting training, Exhibition of fire fighting vehicles	Sendai City Hall Parking Space		3,000
(3) International Exchange Square	Kotodai Park	Mar. 14 ~Mar. 18	23,900

 **Total : 156,082 participants**

Evaluation of the conference / Evaluation as Sendai City

(Number of participants)

4. Tours

(1) Study tour (Disaster affected area official tourism)	25 tours 42 events	Mar. 14 ~Mar. 18	635
(2) Excursion	5 tours	Mar. 19 ~Mar. 20	38
(3) Cultural Experience Tours for Spouses	2 tours	Mar. 14 ~Mar. 15	16

5. Welcome to participants

(1) Tohoku OMOTENASHI Centre (Introduction of traditional culture, provision of local specialties, etc.)	Sendai City Museum	Mar. 14 ~Mar. 18	1,147
(2) Reception hosted by Sendai City	Hotel Metropolitan Sendai	Mar. 15	1,050
(3) Reception hosted by Private Sector & Sendai City	Sendai Kokusai Hotel	Mar. 16	537

Evaluation of the conference / Evaluation as Sendai City

(Outcome documents of the conference)

A/CONF.224/CRP.1

18 March 2015

Original: English only

Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030

A/CONF.224/CRP.2

18 March 2015

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Sendai Declaration

1. We, the Heads of State and Government, ministers and delegates participating in the Third United Nations World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction, have gathered from 14 to 18 March 2015 in Sendai City of Miyagi Prefecture in Japan, which has demonstrated a vibrant recovery from the Great East Japan Earthquake in March 2011. Recognizing the increasing impact of disasters and their complexity in many parts of the world, we declare our determination to enhance our efforts to strengthen disaster risk reduction to reduce disaster losses of lives and assets worldwide.
2. We value the important role played by the Hyogo Framework for Action 2005-2015: Building the Resilience of Nations and Communities to Disasters during the past ten years. Having completed the assessment and review of and considered the experience gained under its implementation, hereby adopt the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030. We are strongly committed to the implementation of the new framework as the guide to enhance our efforts for the future.
3. We call all stakeholders to action, aware that the realization of the new framework depends on our unceasing and tireless collective efforts to make the world safer from the

Evaluation of the conference / Evaluation as Sendai City

(Summary)

1

A variety of information on DRR and management, and on reconstruction of affected areas, was transmitted at the popular level. This was highly appreciated by participants. It also increased the self-belief of individual residents and enhanced their willingness to continue DRR efforts.

2

Two outcome documents, “Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030” and “Sendai Declaration,” were adopted. This was a great honor for the city, and at the same time, we took on the responsibility to further enhance our efforts in the future.

3

We will work to build a more resilient city than ever to realize the concept of “Build Back Better,” aiming to set an example to the world as the host city of the conference and a role model city in the UN World Disaster Reduction Campaign.

4

We will pass on efforts for DRR and management to the next generation, and continue to transmit information on our efforts to the world, making use of domestic and international networks formed through the holding of the conference.

Future of Sendai as a disaster-resistant city

1

As the host city of the conference, we will incorporate the results of the conference, which are reflected in the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, into various administrative areas of the city.

2

We will promote our efforts, in cooperation with residents and organizations that demonstrated their willingness to actively participate in our efforts in the Public Forum, and transmit information on our activities.

3

To continue to transmit information on disaster prevention efforts from Sendai, we will pay attention to discussion about DRR at home and abroad after the conference. We will also hold various events, such as symposiums, in cooperation with the UN and relevant organizations.

4

We will identify the issues on how to host conferences through questionnaire and hearing surveys and use the survey results in hosting future conventions, and compile a complete report on the conference by the autumn of this year.

Thank you for your attention

WCDRR

Sendai, 14–18 March 2015

Third UN World Conference
on Disaster Risk Reduction

