WORLD BOSAI FORUM / IDRC 2017 in SENDAI
November 25 sat→28 tue, 2017
Venue | Sendai International Center, Kawauchi Hagi Hall (Tohoku University)

The forum is a venue to spin knowledge from disaster and weave wisdom of disaster risk reduction into society.

The forum will

1) welcome disaster risk reduction experts as well as non-experts
2) promote the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction
3) focus on solution-oriented discussions on disaster risk reduction with concrete examples provided by multi-stakeholders
4) illuminate Japanese experiences on disaster risk reduction and recovery process of the Tohoku Region
5) explore and develop business opportunities in disaster risk reduction
6) express thanks for assistance to Tohoku from all over the world after the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami on March 11, 2011

BOSAI is a traditional Japanese term, indicating a holistic approach to reduce human and economic losses from disasters, which represents activities in all disaster phases, including prevention, recovery, response and mitigation.

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**PROGRAM**

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- **Pre-WBF festival: “Learning from the disaster, bridging to the future” [Free of charge]**
  
  Public cultural events will be held at Tohoku University Kawauchi Hagi Hall in the afternoon of November 25, in cooperation with Science Agora. Bosai activities by the young generation from disaster-affected prefectures will be introduced. Performances of folk arts and music which played important roles in disaster areas will be held. Pre-registration is required and will start from September. (For inquiries, please contact IRIDES PR office, Tohoku University, +81-22-752-2049)

- **Meeting sessions [Paid registrants only / Some free open sessions included]**
  
  The state-of-the-art in disaster risk reduction will be discussed in various meeting sessions. Planned sessions will include:
  - Disasters in Asia - International Research Institute of Disaster Science (IRIDEs)
  - Women and Building Disaster Resilient Communities – Sendai City
  - Sustainable Development through DRR Investment – JICA
  - Better Preparation and Response to Technological Hazards – International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)
  - Earth Observation Technologies for Disaster Risk Reduction – GP-STAR
  - Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction – Pacific Consultants Co., Ltd.
  - .... and more!!

- **Flash talk presentations, exhibition, poster presentation [Paid registrants only]**
  
  Scientists, practitioners, and policy makers will make presentations on bosai activities and studies. A flash talk presentation will be for 12 minutes, given in open space.

- **Study tours / Excursions [Paid registrants only]**
  
  Sendai City will conduct study tours and excursions in partnership with four disaster-affected prefectures (Aomori, Iwate, Miyagi and Fukushima). The number of participants for the study tours and excursions is limited. Registration will start in August 2017.

**ACCESS**

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**Related Events [Nov. 26 sun - Nov. 27 mon, Sendai International Center]** (Language: Japanese)

- Bosai kokutai 2017 [http://bosai-kokutai.jp/]

[www.worldbosaiforum.com](http://www.worldbosaiforum.com)