

Integrating Private, Civil & Public Sector Disaster Response Workshop

December, 2018; Taiwan

NCDR and the Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies (DKI APCSS) cohost the “Integrating Private, Civil & Public Sector Disaster Response” Workshop from 11 to 14 December in Taipei City.

The characteristics of natural disasters are becoming more complicated and severer due to extreme weather events, rapid urbanization and booming global economy growth that highlights the need of more joint efforts for private, civil and public Sector together. During individual events, besides governmental operations, active involvements of private sectors have been a strong pillar providing supports of emergency relief and post-disaster recovery.

The DKI APCSS outreach team was led by Director Pete Gumataotao and the NCDR team was led by Director Hongey Chen. Deputy Minister Dar-Bin Shieh and Deputy Minister Yu-Chin Hsu of Ministry of Science and Technology provided the welcome and opening remarks, along with the American Institute of Taiwan (AIT) Director, Mr. Brent Christensen.

According to the agenda, the targets are to enhance partnerships among all participants through lectures and group discussions. In the workshop, not only provided valuable experiences and studies to share, but also mapped out several activities for discussions, dialogues and brainstorming.



On the second day of the workshop, NCDR Secretary General Dr. Wei-Sen Li hosted workshop participants for a tour of Taiwan's Central Emergency Operations Center (CEOC) to demonstrate how Taiwan is attempting to activate a whole-of-society disaster response. NCDR has also demonstrated integration of information systems built and managed by NCDR, the knowledge and expertise of Taiwan subject matter experts while building relationships with regional disaster management professionals through coordinated teamwork in seminar sessions.



Source and More Information: APCSS (<https://apcss.org/>)

Furthermore the workshop also integrates the Global Cooperation and Training Framework and invite all participants to visit the Taiwan training center in Nantou. The fire fighters and rescue team demonstrated the high temperature scene of a fire, and the training of rescue dogs. All participants appreciated the outreach in disaster response of Taiwan.

The 7th DPRI-NCDR Workshop

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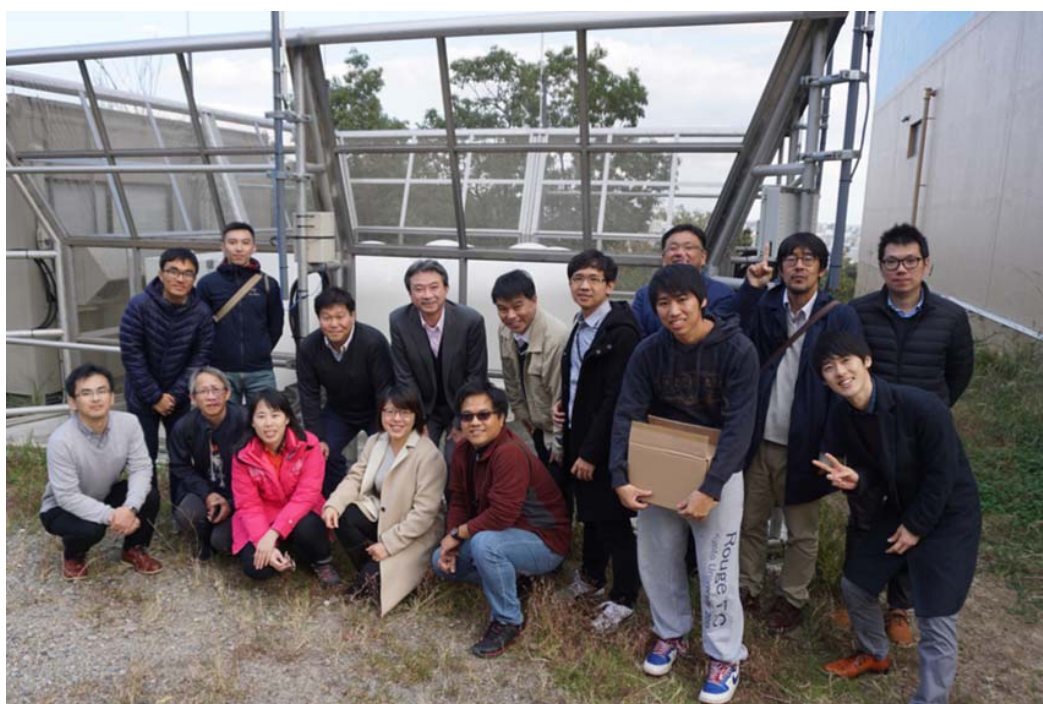
The 7th DPRI-NCDR Workshop was held from 19th to 20th November in Kyoto University, Japan. The workshop was launched from 2010 based on Disaster Prevention Research Institute (DPRI) and NCDR's MoU. The two parties exchange the up-to-date researches on disaster risk reduction and emergency experiences each year in the workshop.

This year, NCDR delivered six reports covering the recent developments in NCDR. These topics include: Results of Four Consecutive Surveys on Psychological Recovery After Typhoon Morakot; Long-Term Recovery Policy: an Overview Study on the 2009 Typhoon Morakot; A New Approach to Estimate Disaster Resilience of Tribes Living on Hills; Further Observations on 2018 Hualien Earthquake; Image recognition applied to the Zhuoshui River basin Runoff Variations; and Application of the 3D-Wind Retrieval Technology on Developing the Severe Thunderstorm Early Warning.

In the opening remarks, Director Chen highlighted that from the last eight Joint Workshops, we realize there are lots of new topics in disaster risk reduction. The two parties' discussions reach more practical and advanced issues which reflects the rising needs of disaster risk reduction, and the value we highlight – people-centered disaster risk reduction, that request more joint efforts together.



Besides sharing of experiences, recent developments and researches, on the Day-2 agenda, DPRI also arranged a technical tour to Yodogawa Integrated Dam Management Office, Toga River, and a couple of Radars, and exchanged the practice lessons from the precious experiences of Japan.



Source and More Information: DPRI (<http://www.dpri.kyoto-u.ac.jp/>)

Upcoming Events:

- The 5th Steering Committee of Resilience Research and Education Promotion Consortium March, 2019
- International Training Workshop on Natural Disaster Reduction April & June, 2019