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Dear Colleagues,

We are very pleased to inform you that the Fourth International Workshop on Seismotectonics in Myanmar and Earthquake Risk Management (SMERM 2013), commemorative to Mr. Satoru Ohya who initiated and greatly encouraged to organize the SMERM 2007, will be held on 10-11 May in Yangon.

In addition to our colleague participants in three workshops since 2007, we wish to invite scholars who have interest on geo-hazard preparedness and mitigation of Myanmar and its adjacent region to participate, to contribute presentation and also to collaborate in future work.

Myanmar experienced strong earthquake events (M=6.8) recently in 2011 and 2012, they made us alert and encouraged to have more effective results by working enthusiastically in identifying earthquake sources, assessing hazards, and promoting and practicing earthquake engineering, so contribution and comments from scientists, engineers and managers are also welcome to this meeting.

Fundamentally, but not limited to, we planned to organize the workshop in following four sessions.

- 1. Earthquake Geology of Myanmar and surrounding region**
- 2. Seismic Hazard and Risk Assessment and Risk Management**
- 3. Earthquake Engineering and other Selected Topics**
- 4. Workshop: future directions**

A two-day field trip to outcrops of the Kyaukkyan Fault Zone that generated largest event (M=8, May 5, 1912) in Myanmar instrumental earthquake record is arranged on 12th May 2013 until 14th May 2013, to check and discuss the nature of active fault and also for recreation in eastern highlands of Myanmar and scenic areas for our international guests.

We are anxious for short notice to you, but are hoping to see you soon in SMERM 2013 in Yangon.

Sincerely, on behalf of the organizing committee,

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