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## AGU Chapman Conference on the Slow Slip Phenomena

By Dr. Bunichiro Shibazaki Chief Research Scientist of IISEE

I attended the AGU Chapman Conference on the Slow Slip Phenomena which was held from February 22 to 25 in Ixtapa, Guerrero, Mexico. I gave a presentation entitled "Modeling slow slip events and their interaction with large earthquakes along Hikurangi and Mexican subduction zones". In this conference, many researchers from all over the world presented recent researches on slow earthquakes. Recent high-resolution geodetic and seismological observations have revealed the occurrence of slow slip events (SSE), low-frequency tremors (LFT), and very low-frequency earthquakes (VLF), along many subduction zones. In Guerrero, Mexico, large SSEs of around Mw 7.5 repeat every 3–4 years. Also, there is a seismic gap in Guerrero where a large earthquake may occur in the near future.

# Lunch under the Cherry Blossoms

By Mr. Takashi Yamashita, Head of IISEE Administration Division



the president of BRI and Dr. Nishiyama, the vice president of BRI. New staff members, Ms. Sato and Ms. Maruyamano introduced themselves.

Cherry trees around IISEE buildings came into full bloom at the beginning of April. It's just in time. They are beautiful but the time of their full bloom is brief. Cherry blossom viewing is one of the Japanese people's traditional seasonal events. People go to see

On Tuesday April 5, IISEE had a "Cherry Blossom Viewing" lunch party.

Although it rained the day before, we enjoyed a good view of cherry blossoms and Japanese style lunch boxes with Dr. Sakamoto,



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Your original papers will be reviewed by the editorial members and some experts.

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Try to challenge!!



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The IISEE Newsletter is intended to act as a go-between for IISEE and ex-participants.

We encourage you to contribute a report and an article to this newsletter. Please let us know your current activities in your countries.

We also welcome your co-workers and friends to register our mailing list.

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### **Back Numbers**

http://iisee.kenken.go.jp/ nldb/ them with their family, friends and colleagues and enjoy eating and drinking. We were happy to have shared the time with training participants under the beautiful blossoms.

Because of the new employee training, he was not able to attend the lunch but Tappei HARA was assigned to IISEE Administration Office as of 2<sup>nd</sup> April. He is the youngest staff in IISEE. Please be nice to him.



Group photo at Lunch party

# Thank you so much for your sympathy

Since April 14th 2016, a series of earthquakes of magnitude 6-7 hit Kumamoto and Oita of Kyushu, Japan. The disaster area is still experiencing strong aftershocks.

We have received many messages of condolence and encouraging email from all over the world. Thank you so much for your sympathy. People in the stricken area have been faced with a difficult situation but your mail encourage them and us a lot. Let me take this opportunity to convey our appreciation for your kindness.

