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[1] Impressions on International Symposium and Video Conference on Feb. 21-22, 2012  
Comments from IISEE participants (T: Tsunami, S: Seismology, E: Engineering courses)

- 1. The symposium was held on 21 Feb. 2012 co-organized by BRI and GRIPS in Tokyo and a video conference was held on 22 Feb. supported by JICA, CIB etc. (Indonesia, T)
- 2. This meeting is a good platform for knowledge sharing about the reconstruction after the earthquake disaster to prepare against future disaster. (Malaysia, T)
- 3. I was impressed and attracted with the statement from a Pakistani lady who says that “earthquake does not kill people, but poor construction and buildings do”. (Malaysia, T)
- 4. The two days symposium and video conference seems to be very successful as it received numerous (in total 300) participations from around the world. (Malaysia, T)
- 5. We learned factor of success in Chinese recovery: earlier announcement on budget standard to disaster people, establishing the special partnership, etc. (Indonesia, T)
- 6. The symposium was useful, as the countries which are prone to the earthquake and tsunami can sit together and share experiences, socio-economic issues. (Indonesia, S)
- 7. As a student of concerned field, it was really helpful to listen to the views of the global experts and scientists and to know about the disaster related policies. (Pakistan, S)

8. I learned plenty of intelligence of disasters in recent years and some new views and progress of the post-disaster reconstruction. IAEE guideline is also valuable. (China, S)
9. I think the actions should be aimed to save the lives of citizens. The symposium is very helpful as sharing the experiences on how to overcome. (Dominican Republic, S)
10. I think that listening to the views of specialists, who have experience, study their opinions and recommendations have a kind of practical importance. (Azerbaijan, S)
11. We could see how former participants of IISEE training have managed some help to their own countries. Also how the Japan aided to developing countries. (Dominica, S)
12. The 2nd part of symposium included discussion about reconstruction from different view such as social, economy, building and infrastrucur. (Mongolia, S)
13. This kind of activity is very important because we can see more closely the main aspects to take into account in order of to improve our policies. (Dominican Republic, E)
14. Prof. Onishi's comprehensive presentation is very helpful and valuable for us to understand some reconstruction plans and policies for March 11th disaster. (China, E)
15. International symposiums for sharing one's experience and ideas are very much helpful in making effective Policy on Disaster Risk Management. (Philippines, E)
16. We learned lessons from Kanto Earthquake in 1923, Kobe Earthquake in 1995 and 2011 Tohoku Earthquake. (Myanmar, E)
17. Major conclusion by Dr. Wang was that the learning from other societies' experience in struggling with disasters, like the experience of Japan, is important. (Macedonia, E)
18. Sometime women are ignored in the reconstruction process, but I understand it is not possible to achieve reconstruction without participation of women. (Bangladesh, E)
19. The important point is that building hardware in disaster prevention is not enough, and it must be accompanied by software. (Indonesia, E)
20. People forget very fast after disaster and ready to continue the same behavior. It's very important to keep them in touch with the reality. Then, education is a key. (Haiti, E)
21. The lesson learned in my opinion is: "We should not forget about the disasters in the past and learn about that and also transmit this knowledge to the next generation". (Peru, E)

22. The first fact is about Sustainable Reconstruction the Physical, Institutional, Social and Economic aspects are necessary and must be treated interrelated. (El Salvador, E)

23. This symposium and video conference allowed us understand disaster mitigation in different countries; it is valuable to share the knowledge and policies. (El Salvador, E)

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## [2] Final Draft of Revised IAEE Guideline for Non-engineered Construction

Since 1963, the International Association for Earthquake Engineering (IAEE) promotes earthquake engineering to global experts and non-technical issues to local communities.

The original Guideline for Earthquake Resistant Non-engineered Construction was formulated in 1986. The attached revised guideline has been prepared in February 2012 by Dr. Arya, Ing. B. Teddy, Prof. Ishiyama utilizing the financial support from UNESCO IPRED (International Platform for Reducing Earthquake Disasters) programme.

If you have any comments to this revised Guideline, IISEE will transfer your valuable comments on the Guideline to Dr. Ishiyama who has been an IISEE's senior researcher.

<http://iisee.kenken.go.jp/net/members/iaee/NonEngMainA4Er.pdf>

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## [3] Lecture notes on the 2011 off the Pacific Coast of Tohoku Earthquake have been newly published

The IISEE-UNESCO Lecture Notes Archive posts the training materials used in the IISEE training courses to help mitigate earthquake disasters in developing countries by disseminating information on the IISEE training courses.

Among these lecture notes IISEE pick up the ones which focus on the 2011 off the Pacific Coast of Tohoku Earthquake and open them in the new special page below

<http://iisee.kenken.go.jp/lna/?mod=tohoku>

We are planning to upload more lecture notes on this page and improve the archive.

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[4] News from an IISEE ex-Participant, Dr. Walter Salazar, El Salvador  
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Dear Friends,

I would like to share with you with the great pleasure that I received an Award from the Government of my Country the last Nov. 17 at the Association of the Caribbean States in commemoration of the 200 years of the independence of the Americas, due to my contributions in my field and they say according to their review due to my distinguished career. I am sending you some photos and a link for some news.

<http://www.uwiseismic.com/NewsDetails.aspx?id=220>

Just to thanks again to you to give me the opportunity to study with you.

Walter Salazar

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We send this IISEE Newsletter to ex-participants whose e-mail addresses are known, lecturers and other stakeholders. The IISEE send new data and information actively and accept your contribution at any time. In order to enlarge IISEE network, we'd like to ask you to invite your fellow ex-participants whose e-mail addresses are unknown to us. We welcome your comments about the IISEE Newsletter. Please feel free to send your comments and opinions. IISEE welcomes your participation.  
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