

# Public Forum

Japanese

## Winning against disasters

*- Roles of Education, Development and Community Action for Sustainable Development -*



Public Forum "Winning against disasters" was held at United Nations University in Tokyo, Japan, on 19 October 2006 on the occasion of the International Day for Disaster Reduction, October 11 this year. It attracted over 170 participants from 26 nations.

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Organized by: United Nations University (UNU), Cabinet Office of Japan, United Nations Inter-Agency Secretariat of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UN/ISDR), United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

In Cooperation with: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), NHK (Japan Broadcasting Corporation), Japanese National Committee for UNESCO World Heritage Site

Programme: Welcome Address

**Mr. Itaru Yasui**  
Vice-Rector  
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**Mr. Yuichi Masuda**  
Director-General for Disaster Management  
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**Mr. Koji Tsuruoka**  
Director-General for Global Issues  
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**Mr. Kenji Itatani**  
Deputy Director-General, Research and Development Bureau  
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## Video Message



**Mr. Salvano Briceno**  
Director  
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## Presentations



**Mr. Hans van Ginkel**  
Rector  
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**Mr. Muhammad Saidur Rahman**  
Director  
Bangladesh Disaster Preparedness Centre (BDPC)



**Ms. Maryvonne Plessis-Fraissard**  
Director  
Transport and Urban Development, The World Bank

## Panel discussion

Moderator:

**Mr. Satoru Nishikawa**  
Director for Disaster Preparedness  
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Panellists:

**Ms. Maryvonne Plessis-Fraissard**  
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