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## ● Promoting Cooperation with Affiliated Institutions

### JICA Knowledge Co-Creation Program: "School-based Disaster Education in Turkey"

The Asian Disaster Reduction Center (ADRC) conducted a "School-based Disaster Education in Turkey" course from 2 to 13 September 2019 with the cooperation of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) Kansai International Center. The course was designed to share Japanese knowledge and experiences and to help further enhance the holistic Teacher Training System for School-based Disaster Education in Turkey. It was attended by 14 people, including officials from the Ministry of National Education (MoNE) and school teachers from Turkey.

The training focused on practical approaches to teaching students about disasters and DRR in schools. Participants visited various schools, observed DRR lessons, and talked with teachers at schools including Takasago Elementary School and Hirose Junior High School in Sendai, Yuriage Compulsory Education School in Natori, and Maiko High School and Kobe Kindergarten in Kobe. Further, they learned how educational tools and materials, such as card games, practical exercises, and picture stories, can be used in DRR education. The participants recognized the effectiveness of active and practical learning for DRR.



Workshop used educational tools for DRR studies

All the participants, who were selected based on the results of an online training test conducted by MoNE before the JICA course and their passion for promoting DRR education, were very actively engaged in the training course. They were eager learners and expanded their knowledge of ways to further strengthen school DRR education in Turkey. It is hoped that the participants will make good use of the knowledge, technologies, and methods they learned from this training course to implement school DRR education in their own country, and that they will be able to help other teachers and schools to promote school-based disaster education.

## ● Participation in International Conferences

### The UN International Conference on Space-based Technology for Disaster Risk Reduction and 10 Years Commemoration of the UN-SPIDER Beijing Office

ADRC participated in the United Nations International Conference on Space-based Technology for Disaster Risk Reduction and 10 Years Commemoration of the UN-SPIDER Beijing Office on 11-12 September 2019 in Beijing, China.

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ADRC has been playing a leading role in facilitating the application of space-based technologies and data to disaster risk reduction through Sentinel Asia, and also has committed to a partnership with UNOOSA as a Regional Support Office of UN-SPIDER. At the conference, the Regional Support Offices of UN-SPIDER, including ADRC, were invited to the stage and presented with plaques.

ADRC gave presentations during the sessions on “Advances in Earth Observation and Open Source Data to Support DRR” and “Networking and Engagement with the UN-SPIDER Network.” For space-based data to be more effectively used in disaster risk reduction, it is critical to further discuss the data use policies of relevant agencies to ensure easy access to data.



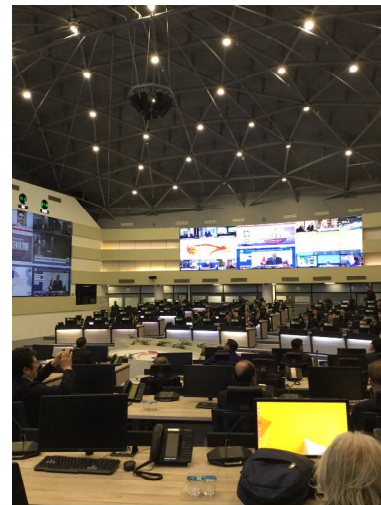
## ● Announcement

### Asian Conference on Disaster Reduction 2019

The Asian Conference on Disaster Reduction (ACDR) 2019 was held in Ankara, Turkey on 25-27 November 2019. The conference was organized jointly by the governments of Turkey and Japan, and ADRC. ADRC would like to thank all the participants for their active participation in the conference. More information about the conference will be included in the next issue of ADRC Highlights.



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