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2013 The ECCE Conference "Changes in Civil Engineering"

Lessons learned from the 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake

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Good afternoon, ladies and gentleman of European Council of Civil Engineers.

I am Takehiko Ono, the president of Japan Society of Civil Engineers.

On behalf of the JSCE members, I would like to congratulate you on this 2013 ECCE Annual Meeting, and I am very grateful for your heartwarming invitation.

About JSCE

JSCE was established in 1914 and we have about 38,000 members. We also have over 300 committees and 9 international sections.





JSCE's mission is:

- 1 to contribute to the development of the society through the progress of civil engineering technologies
- 2 the expansion of business field
- 3 the improvement of civil engineers' skills.

The 100th anniversary of JSCE in 2014

JSCE will have the 100th anniversary in 2014.



The 100th anniversary of the JSCE in 2014

Japan has experienced significant changes in the last 100 years, and social needs for civil engineering have been greatly changed. While looking back the past changes, we think the anniversary as a chance to reconsider the future vision and activities.

The 100th anniversary of JSCE in 2014

We will carry out the centennial projects focused on:

- 1) social contribution
- (2) international contribution and
- 3 civil interaction as the beginning of continuous development of civil engineers.

The 100th anniversary of JSCE in 2014

For the 100th Anniversary of JSCE, we are scheduling the international symposium on contributions of infrastructure to life of affluence, memorial ceremony and banquet from November 19th to 21st, 2014 in Tokyo.

We strongly recommend you to join these activities.

Foundation of IAC

We started the International Activity Center in April 2012.

IAC has three purposes.

The first is to improve the communication and cooperation among civil engineers in the world for the progress of science and technologies.

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The second is to contribute to the development of society all over the world through the utilization of Japanese civil engineering technologies.

And the third is to enhance collaboration between the civil engineering and other academic fields.

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Correspondence to the disasters of Great East Japan Earthquake and preparation for anticipated natural disasters

JSCE gratefully appreciates your kind helps for the Great East Japan Earthquake occurred on March 11th 2011.

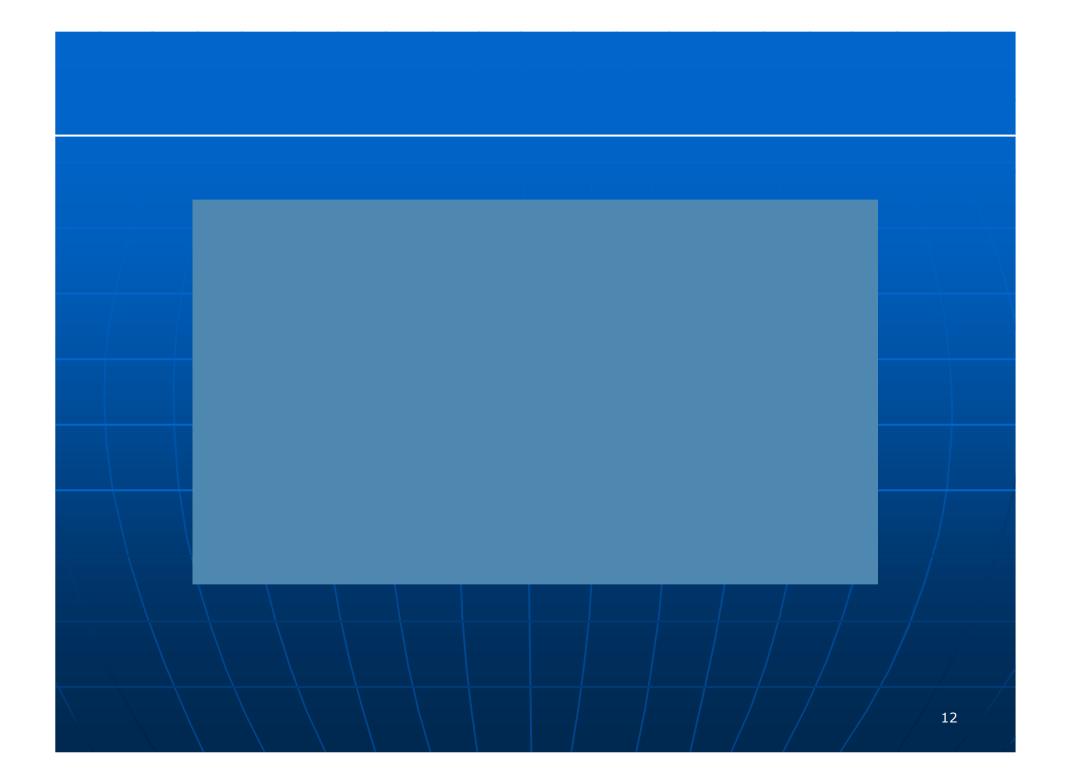




1,500 clothes were contributed to children of Aizu Wakamatsu by the Portuguese child apparel maker.

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We'd like you to see the short films of the disaster first.



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We repeatedly investigated the damaged area and proposed for the revival, and our proposals are now applied step by step to be seen as effective for the recoveries of infrastructure such as roads, harbors, and sewage lines.

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However, the biggest problem for the recovery of the community is the long time consumption for inhabitants' agreement, because of no prepared discussion on the assumption of the disaster.

We think prepared discussion is essential.

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It is pointed out that the optimal combination of Hard and Soft preparation is important for the prevention and mitigation of natural disasters.

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"Hard" is to protect by structures, and "Soft" is to take refuge when the disaster is very rare but drastic. For the optimal combination we should not always rely on structures but practice for refuge at ordinary times. We have to help personally, mutually and publicly.

Since Japanese social foundations were abruptly constructed during the years from 1955 to 1973, most of them will soon be more than 50 years old.





Tokaido Shinkansen 1964

Metropolitan Expressway1962~

JSCE's recent activities Maintenance of Infrastructure

Last December, concrete ceiling boards of the highway tunnel which were constructed in the years collapsed and we reconsider the importance of the adequate maintenance of infrastructure.

We hope you as the advanced countries of infrastructure to advise us about the maintenance.



Photo: Fire Defense Headquarters Otsuki City, Yamanashi prefecture

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Activation of JSCE and education of engineers

Since I believe the process of branches' members' cooperation and achievement through their activities can be effective for their education,

I put an emphasis

on activation of branches

and their cooperation

with the headquarter.



JSCE's recent activities Activation of JSCE and education of engineers

Now I actually see the improvement in JSCE's activities on the point of engineers' education.

Collaboration is important

Private

Public

Academia



Cross disciplinary conference

Join us!!

Once again we strongly recommend you to join the 100th anniversary activities of JSCE in 2014.



we will hold the international conference here.

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